



Important Notice

To: All members of Sri Lankan Community in Israel,

This is further to the previous Notices issued by the Embassy of Sri Lanka regarding the spread of Corona Virus epidemic in Israel.

According to the Israeli authorities, the total number of confirmed Corona cases in Israel has been increased to 75 while there are over 100,000 persons have been placed mandatory home quarantine.

The Ministry of Health of Israel together with the Population, Immigration Authority and Border Control (PIBA) have introduced the following measures to prevent the spread of Corona epidemic in Israel;

1. All travelers including Israeli citizens, their spouses and children, foreign nationals reside in Israel arriving in Israel **will be required to comply with the mandatory home quarantine for 14 days from their date of entry into Israel with effect from 12.03.2020 at 20.00 hours (local time) onwards.**

a) *Foreign passports holders entering Israel before 20:00 hrs. on 12 March 2020;*

- If travelling from at-risk countries (China, Hong Kong, Thailand, Singapore, Macau, South Korea, Japan, Austria, Germany, Spain, France, Switzerland, Italy, Iran, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Taiwan, San Marino and Andorra), travelers must obtain a written confirmation from nearest Israeli Mission and provide address of the quarantine location in Israel.

-If travelling from elsewhere, travelers will be allowed to enter the country without written confirmation, but with a possibility of checks on entry on a case-by-cases basis.

b) Foreign passports holders entering Israel from 20.00 hrs. on 12 March 2020:

-All foreign passports holders can enter the country. However, they should obtain written confirmation from nearest Israeli Mission and provide address of the quarantine location in Israel.

2. **Hotels and Dormitories are not considered as "Home Quarantine"**. Therefore, the travelers should be able to prove a permanent home address in Israel.
3. Persons who return from abroad are not allowed to attend gatherings of more than 100 people and requested to avoid visiting hospitals and nursing /elderly homes.
4. The tourists who are already in Israel will be given a few days (72 hours) to organize their flight back home.
5. The Ministry of Health of the State of Israel requests all residents and tourists to comply with the following guidelines;
 - a) Call 101 (Magen David Adom) if you have any symptoms such as fever (38 °C / 100.4 °F or higher), cough and difficulty in breathing or other respiratory symptoms (this regulation also applicable to all residents)
 - b) Pay careful attention to their personal hygiene
 - c) Stay away from public gatherings

In case of an emergency, the Mission has opened the following hotline in order to respond to the needs of the Sri Lankan community in Israel.

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In order to obtain up-to-date information and instructions regarding the Corona Virus, you are kindly requested to refer to following web link of the Ministry of Health of the State of Israel.

<https://govextra.gov.il/ministry-of-health/corona/corona-virus-en/>

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