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Saudi Arabia removes quarantine rule for vaccinated foreign visitors

Saudi Arabia has announced that it will lift the mandatory quarantine requirement for foreign visitors who have been fully vaccinated against Covid-19. "The General Authority of Civil Aviation



(GACA) stressed on the air carriers the need to carry all travellers who are not Saudi citizens and the exempted

travellers, immunized and unvaccinated groups the health certificates approved in the Kingdom (Coronavirus examination certificates PCR) not exceeding 72 hours from the flight time for those over 8 years or older, while non-citizen immunized persons are allowed entry...," said the authority.

Dubai targets over 5.5 mn overseas tourists in 2021

Dubai expects to attract over 5.5 million overseas visitors this year, hopeful that new markets can help make up for

the loss of visitors from key places where travel is restricted.

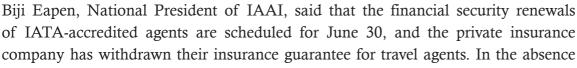
Kazim, Issam Chief Dubai Executive, Tourism said visitor numbers newer from markets in Europe, Africa



and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) were performing well. "All of these markets will start to add up and hopefully fill the gaps and give us a much stronger foundation to build a confident rebound going forward," he said.

IAAI recommends use of IATA GoLite accreditation

The IATA Agents Association of India (IAAI) has suggested that accredited travel agents opt for GoLite accreditation against the IATA Standard Accreditation as the former significantly reduces overall costs and helps agents survive during the crisis arising out of the Covid-19 pandemic.





of an insurance guarantee, agents are forced to provide bank guarantees or joint bank guarantees under travel associations, which are more expensive than the existing insurance guarantee system.

Govt taking precautions: Aviation Minister on new Covid variant in Singapore



Hardeep Singh Puri

Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said the Centre is taking all precautions and keeping an eye on the situation in Singapore. Only a few flights being operated

between the two countries under Vande Bharat Mission to bring stranded Indians back, Puri said. "We are still keeping an eye on the situation. All precautions are being taken," the Union Aviation Minister noted.

Abu Dhabi to end quarantine for all international visitors starting from July 1

AbuDhabiwillendquarantinerequirement for all international arrivals starting from July 1. "It will be similar to the Dubai system - the PCR protocol will be different from high-risk to low- risk destinations," said Ali Al Shaiba, Executive Director of Tourism and Marketing, DCT Abu Dhabi.



Ali Al Shaiba

Abu Dhabi currently requires travellers to quarantine for 10 days unless they are from a 'green-list' country. "We are announcing an extended green list - this green list will cover a majority of the markets that we are tapping into," said Al Shaiba "Hopefully, by the first of July, everybody will be allowed to travel to Abu Dhabi"

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