

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) TO HANDLE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) AT MUMBAI PORT FOR CARGO VESSELS OTHER THAN TANKERS

- (i) Vessel Agent / Master of foreign vessels coming from countries affected (<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>) by COVID-19 shall inform PHO, Seaport Immigration & Harbour Master through email about crew suspected of Coronavirus Infection with details like Name, Nationality, Age, Sex, Symptoms and history of previous visits.
- (ii) Shipping Agent/Master of Vessels to submit all documents related to crew regarding their travel to/from the affected countries (<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports>) in last 30 days, along with self declaration forms (Annexure- 1)
- (iii) Shipping Agent/ Master of the vessel shall also submit a declaration to the PHO, Seaport Immigration & Harbour Master regarding the suspected sickness, if any, of the Crew.
- (iv) In Crew manifest, additional columns shall be inserted showing the date & place of joining the ship.
- (v) If any vessel has visited any of the countries included in the list of MoH&FW travel advisory (<https://www.mohfw.gov.in>) in last 14 days or any of the crew member having travel history to any of the affected countries, then the vessel will be kept in outer anchorage till completion of incubation period of 14 days
- (vi) On completion of 14 days, Shipping Agent / Master of the vessel will submit the latest necessary document to the PHO, Seaport Immigration & Harbour Master through email. After scrutiny of the declaration and the documents, PHO will categorize the vessel as 'Healthy' or as 'Suspect'. If vessel is 'Healthy' due endorsement will be issued to the Vessel Agent for port operations. If 'Suspected', vessel will be brought to the nearest anchorage to facilitate boarding of the PHO for taking necessary action.
- (vii) If any crew is showing symptoms, then he will be quarantined on the ship. Sample will be taken and sent to Nominated Hospital for testing. If the sample tests positive, then patient will be shifted to Nominated Hospital in a dedicated ambulance.
- (viii) After clearance of the 'Suspected' vessel by PHO, Pilot will board the vessel with all PPEs and pilot the ship to the allotted place of port operation.
- (ix) No shore leave to crew till 15th April 2020. In case of any exigencies or unavoidable circumstances prior permission of Chairman MbPT has to be obtained.
- (X) Foreign national crew will not be allowed to signoff till 15 April 2020. However crew with Indian nationality may be permitted after 14 days quarantine if permitted by PHO.

----X-----X-----