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To

All District Health Officers, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa,  
With special intimation to DHOs;  
Abbottabad, Bannu, Charsadda, Buner, D.I.Khan, Haripur, Kohat, Dir  
Lower, Mardan, Nowshera, Peshawar, South Waziristan, Swabi, Swat,  
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Subject: TTQ of INBOUND TRAVELERS FROM UK (VUI-202012/01)

Kindly refer to the NCOC letter No.801/A/NCOC-09 dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2020.

UK has faced a rapid increase in COVID-19 cases during recent past, and large number of cases belong to a new virus strain VUI-202012/01 (UK Strain), which is more transmissible than previous strains. Considering large number of inbound travelers from UK to Pakistan on daily basis, presence of variant in Pakistan cannot be ruled out. Preliminary analysis suggest that it is significantly more transmissible than previously circulating variants with an estimated increased transmissibility up to 70%.

Therefore, as per the directions of NCOC Following actions are requested at your end immediately.

1. Trace and test all passengers arriving from UK during last 7 days as per TTQ protocols (details of all the travelers are enclosed as Annex- A in soft format/excel)
2. Mandatory quarantine of all such cases until negative test result is available.
3. Contact tracing of all the positive cases and quarantine enforcement of all contacts till the time results are available.
4. Cross Notification of data to other districts (with information to DG office) in case a person is not available at specified address and has shifted to some other place.
5. Strong positive cases samples be sent to National Institute of Health (NIH) for gene sequencing.
6. NIH will be overall responsible to coordinate gene sequencing activity and will share the results as per protocols.
7. Daily update/Progress to be shared with DG office as per format attached as Annex- B.

  
Director General Health Services  
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Copy to;

1. PS to Minister Health Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
2. PS to Secretary Health Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
3. EOC Data management Team (to ensure timely data collection and analysis)

**ANNEX-B**

District	Number of Inbound Travellers	Moved Back	Untraceable (Wrong address / Contact Number)	Tested	Positive	Negative	Number of Contacts Traced	Positive of Out Contacts	Negative of out Contact	Cross notified to other District/provinces (due to address issues / stay purpose)	Remarks

