

Government of West Bengal
Transport Department
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12, R.N. Mukherjee Road, Kolkata – 700 001

No : 1426-WT

Dated 5th May, 2021

To : 1. The Additional Chief Secretary/Pr. Secretary/Secretary Transport Department
(All State Governments/UT Administrations)
2. The Secretary, State Transport Authority (All)

Subject: RT-PCR testing restrictions on Inter-State Bus Passengers coming from outside to West Bengal — reg.

Ref: Chief Secretary's Order No. 629-ISS/2M-22/2020 Dated the 5th of May 2021.


Sir,

The Government of West Bengal vide Chief Secretary's order under reference has made it mandatory for all inter-state bus passengers coming from outside the state of West Bengal to possess an RT-PCR negative test report for a test conducted within 72 hours of such bus departure. A copy of the said order is enclosed with this letter. It is requested that such restrictions be imposed with immediate effect for a period of two weeks.

All passengers travelling by bus for any destination in the State of West Bengal should be allowed to board the bus only after verification of their RT-PCR negative reports as aforesaid to avoid any inconvenience at the West Bengal border and/or beyond.

Further, notwithstanding such RT-PCR negative report, proper thermal and health screening of all passengers may also be conducted at the point of embarkation and necessary actions be taken in accordance with the COVID protocols in this regard.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary,

Transport Department

Encl: Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal's Order dated 5th May 2021

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Copy forwarded to :

- 1) The Director of Transport, West Bengal — with a request to bring the above to the notice of all inter-state bus operators operating buses to/from West Bengal
- 2) Commissioner, Kolkata Municipal Corporation
- 3) District Magistrate (All)
- 4) Commissioner of Police (All)
- 5) Superintendent of Police (All)
- 6) Secretary, STA for information and necessary action.
- 7) PS to Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal — for kind information of Chief Secretary.

with a request to do random checking of all passengers arriving from outside the state of West Bengal by bus.



Secretary,

Transport Department