

No more RT-PCR test needed for India-bound passengers

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Passengers bound for India will no longer need to have an RT-PCR test done within 72 hours before departure, said Benapole Police Immigration officer-in-Charge (OC) Md Raju Ahmed.

According to the Benapole Immigration sources, passengers who have completed two doses of the Covid vaccine and taken the booster dose will no longer need a 72-hour RTPCR Covid test certificate to travel to India.

However, passengers must show a 72-hour RTPCR Covid Test certificate when they return from India.

An India returnee said that if a booster dose was given to a Bangladeshi on his way to India, the Covid Test certificate would not be required.

“On his return, he has to show the 72-hour Corona Test certificate at the Indian Immigration as before,” he added.

If the same rules were followed in both the countries, then passengers would be spared the extra expenses, he added.

Dr Zahidur Rahman Zahid, working in the Benapole Immigration Health Department, said that both Indian and Bangladeshi passengers need to bring a 72-hour RTPCR certificate while coming from India.