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Oman bans entry of travellers from BD over coronavirus concerns

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Dhaka: Oman has banned the entry of travellers from Bangladesh as well as India and Pakistan effective from April 24 in an effort to curb the spread of coronavirus.

The country's Supreme Committee, responsible for tackling the coronavirus pandemic, said the ban would cover passengers who passed by any of these three South Asian countries over the past 14 days.

"The ban begins at 6:00 pm on Saturday, April 24, 2021, and continues till further notice," said the statement of the committee.

Omani citizens, diplomats or health workers and their families arriving from these three countries are exempted from the entry ban and will undergo the prescribed entry procedures upon arrival in the Sultanate.

Till now, Oman has reported 1,077 new coronavirus cases and 17 Covid-19 deaths, bringing its caseload to 187,770 including 1,926 deaths.