

**COVID-19 HANDLING TASK FORCE**  
**ADDENDUM TO CIRCULAR LETTER**  
**NUMBER 8 OF 2021**  
**REGARDING**  
**HEALTH PROTOCOLS FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVELS DURING THE CORONA VIRUS**  
**DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC**

**A. Background**

1. Whereas there has been an increase in the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 Virus and other new variants of SARS-CoV-2 (Alpha variant, Beta variant, Delta variant, and Gamma variant) in various countries in the world, including Indonesia, therefore fast response from the Government is required to add specific provisions for international travelers who enter the territory of Indonesia to protect the Indonesian Citizens (*Warga Negara Indonesia* – “WNI”) from the imported case.
2. Whereas based on the consideration as referred to in point number 1, an Addendum to the Circular Letter of the COVID-19 Handling Task Force Number 8 of 2021 regarding Health Protocols for International Travels during the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic.

**B. Purpose and Objective**

The purpose of this Addendum to the Circular Letter is to implement stricter health protocols for international travelers. The objective of this Addendum to the Circular Letter is to conduct the supervision, control, and evaluation in the context of preventing the increase of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) transmission, including new variants of SARS-CoV-2 virus that has mutated to become Alpha variant, Beta variant, Delta variant, and Gamma variant as well as the potential for new variants of SARS-CoV-2 virus to develop.

**C. Scope**

No addendum

**D. Legal Basis**

16. The Resolution of the Ministerial Level Limited Coordination Meeting dated July 2, 2021; and
17. The Resolution of the Ministerial Level Limited Coordination Meeting dated July 3, 2021.

**E. Definition**

1. Reverse-Transcriptase Polymerase Chain Reaction hereinafter referred to as RT-PCR is a type of diagnostic test which detects the genetic matter of the virus originating from a certain sample, such as nasopharyngeal/oropharyngeal swab test, by using the reverse-transcriptase enzyme and polymerase chain reaction.

**F. Protocol**

- I. Amending several provisions and adding 1 (one) provision as follows:

3. All International Travelers, either holding the status of Indonesian Citizen (*Warga Negara Indonesia* – “WNI”) or Foreign Citizen (*Warga Negara Asing* – “WNA”) must comply with the following provisions/requirements:
    - c. Upon arrival retesting of RT-PCR shall be conducted for international travelers and is required to conduct quarantine for 8 x 24 hours, with provisions as follows:
      - 1) For WNI, which includes Indonesian Migrant Workers (*Pekerja Migran Indonesia* or PMI); Students/university students; or Government Employees returning from official overseas travel in accordance with the Decree of the Head of COVID-19 Handling Task Force Number 11 of 2021 regarding the Entry Point, Quarantine Facility, and RT-PCR Requirement for Indonesian Citizens International Travelers with costs borne by the government.
      - 2) For WNI other than the criteria as referred to in number 1) and for WNA, including foreign diplomats, other than the head of foreign representatives and families of the head of foreign representative shall conduct quarantine in quarantine accommodation facilities that have received COVID-19 quarantine accommodation certification by the Ministry of Health with all costs borne independently.
    - d. In the event the head of foreign representatives and families are on duty in Indonesia, independent quarantine may be conducted in their respective residence for 8 x 24 hours as referred to in letter c;
    - g. For WNI and WNA, the second RT-PCR test shall be conducted on the seventh day of the quarantine;
    - g *bis*. If the result of the second RT-PCR test as referred to in letter g is negative, then after the quarantine is conducted for 8 x 24 hours, the WNI and WNA shall be declared to have completed the quarantine;
    - h. If the result is negative as referred to in letter g *bis*, the WNI and WNA shall be allowed to continue their travel and recommended to conduct independent quarantine for 14 days and implement health protocols; and
    - i. If the result is positive as referred to in letter g *bis*, treatment in the hospital shall be conducted for WNI with costs borne by the government and for WNA, with all costs borne independently.
- II. Adding several provisions as follows:
5. All International Travelers, either holding the status of WNI or WNA must comply with the following provisions/requirements:
    - a. WNI shall show the card or certificate (either physical or digital) of having received COVID-19 vaccine in complete dosage as a requirement to enter Indonesia, and in the event WNI has not received vaccine overseas then they shall be vaccinated at the quarantine facility as soon as they arrive in Indonesia after the second RT-PCR has been conducted with a negative result;
    - b. WNA shall show the card or certificate (either physical or digital) of having received COVID-19 vaccine in complete dosage as a requirement to enter Indonesia;
    - c. WNA who is already in Indonesia and will conduct travel, either domestic or international, shall be vaccinated through the program or mutual cooperation (*gotong royong*) scheme in accordance with the provisions of laws and

- regulations; and
- d. The requirement to show the COVID-19 vaccination card or certificate (either physical or digital) shall be exempted for WNA who holds diplomatic visas and official visas related to official/state visits of foreign officials at ministerial level or above and WNA who enters Indonesia through the Travel Corridor Arrangement scheme, in accordance with the reciprocity principles by constantly implementing strict health protocol.

**G. Supervision, Control and Evaluation**

No addendum

**H. Closing**

This Addendum to Circular Letter shall be effective as of July 6, 2021, until a later date to be determined.

This Addendum to Circular Letter will be further evaluated in accordance with the latest field development and the evaluation result from the Ministries/Institutions.

Therefore, to serve as a guidance and to be implemented with full responsibility.

Stipulated in Jakarta

On July 4, 2021

Head of the Disaster  
Management National Agency  
(*Badan Nasional  
Penanggulangan Bencana –  
BNPB*) as the Head of the  
COVID-19 Handling Task  
Force,

(signed and stamped)

Lieutenant General of TNI  
Ganip Warsito, SE., MM.

Copied to:

1. President of the Republic of Indonesia;
2. Vice President of the Republic of Indonesia;
3. Head of Committee for the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Handling Policy and the National Economy Recovery;
4. All the Ministries/Heads of Institution;
5. Commander of TNI;
6. Head of the POLRI;
7. Head of the National Economy Recovery Task Force; and
8. Head of the Regional Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Handling Task Force.