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UD avråder sedan den 2 mars från samtliga resor till Iran. Avrådansbeslutet fattades på basis av omfattande spridning av coronaviruset Covid-19 i Iran. Irans sjukvårdssystem är hårt belastat.

Angränsande länder har stängt sina gränser till Iran och möjligheterna att resa in och ut ur landet är för närvarande begränsade. Ett stort antal flygbolag har tillfälligt upphört med att flyga till och från Iran. Transportstyrelsen har sedan den 2 mars tillfälligt dragit in det svenska trafikillståndet för Iran Air.

Vi förstår att det finns en stor oro just nu kring möjligheterna att resa hem till Sverige. Vi har stor förståelse för att beslutet att återkalla trafikillståndet för Iran Air till Sverige har gjort att det blivit svårare att lämna Iran.

Det finns fortfarande möjlighet att flyga med vanliga kommersiella flighter. Vi rekommenderar svenskar som vill resa från Iran att kontakta resebyråer och flygbolag.

För att erbjuda en överblick över de restriktioner och möjligheter som föreligger följer nedan information sammanställd av WHO i Iran. Se särskilt de gulmarkerade flygbolagen, som i skrivande stund uppges ha bokningsbara platser under kommande veckor. Notera att informationen ändras löpande och att ambassaden inte ansvarar för informationens korrekthet samt att flyg kan vara fullbokade.

Det finns också möjlighet att flyga med ett extrainsatt plan med Mahan Air till Barcelona den 12 mars. Flighten kommer endast att genomföras om tillräckligt många har anmält sig. Ambassaden kan inte garantera att flighten genomförs eller ta ansvar för eventuella ändringar och kan inte heller garantera att de som anmäler sitt intresse faktiskt får plats på flyget. Biljettpris sätts av Mahan Air. Betalning är ett personligt ansvar.

Vänligen kontakta ambassaden senast måndag den 9 mars kl. 12.00 om ni är intresserade av att anmäla er till flighten till Barcelona. Meddela födelsedatum, passnummer och gender. **OBSERVERA! Anmälan kan endast göras till: rsvp.teheran@gov.se.**

I nuläget finns inga planer på att genomföra någon assisterad hemresa från Iran.

Ambassaden håller öppet. Se kontaktuppgifter och öppettider på ambassadens hemsida. Vi rekommenderar att ni regelbundet besöker hemsidan, som uppdateras dagligen:

<https://www.swedenabroad.se/sv/utlandsmyndigheter/iran-teheran/> .

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Sveriges ambassad i Teheran

Imposed International Restrictions

Sweden's Transport Agency said that it had temporarily suspended Iran Air from conducting flights to and from Sweden due to the outbreak of the coronavirus.

"It means that **direct flights between Sweden and Iran will be stopped**," the Agency said. (Source: Reuters)

Further to the previous circular received from Homa, Iranian passengers departing to London, Beirut, Baku, the Netherlands and Germany should obtain health certificate prior to their travel. Iranians cannot enter Beirut even for transit till further notice.

USA has announced that they will expand an existing ban on travel from Iran in response to the accelerating novel coronavirus outbreak, barring any foreigner who has visited Iran within the last 14 days from entering the United States.

The United Arab Emirates has suspended passenger ferry services with Iran until further notice over coronavirus fears. The UAE has also obliged **all commercial ships coming to the country to provide a statement on the health status of their crews 72 hours before arrival** to help prevent the spread of the virus, the state news agency WAM said.

According to the latest updates received from Homa (Havâpeymâyiye Melliye Irân) Iranian passengers traveling to Germany, Azerbaijan, the Netherlands and England must obtain health certificate before their travel. Passengers other than Lebanon nationals and Iranians holding Lebanon residency card cannot enter Beirut anymore.

Azerbaijan Airlines CJSC suspends air communication with Iran.

Qatar Airways operates a daily flight which departs from Doha every day at 00:00 Doha time and returns from Iran to Doha every day at 3:30 AM. The flight is fully booked until 15 March 2020. No health certificate or mode of screening at the airport has been advised yet for transit. 14 days of quarantine would be applied for entering Doha.

Aeroflot is active for Russia. However, the entry and transit of Iran nationals to Russia departing from Iran is banned and their visa is cancelled till further notice. This is not applied to service and diplomatic passport holders. However, the travel ban applies also to the nationals of other countries departing from Iran. The flights will be to Vnukovo Airport in Sheremetyevo international airport. The passengers having any symptoms of COVID-19 will be quarantined for 15 days.

Mahan air still operates **direct flights to Kuala Lumpur and Bangkok**. The flights to Delhi are cancelled till 15 March 2020. Mahan Air flights to **Barcelona are still functional till 28 March 2020**.

Mahan Air flights to **Moscow** are still operational but only the nationals of Russia, residency card holders, service and diplomatic passport holders are accepted in Russia.

Mahan Air still operates free flights to Dubai for transferring Iranian passengers to Iran. The last free flight transferring Iranians from Istanbul was on 28 Feb 2020.

Iran Air operates both domestic flights and international flights. However, the issued tickets till 31 March can be refunded subject to no penalty before the travel date. Health certificate is required for international flights. The international flights are operational to **European destinations including: Amsterdam, Cologne, Hamburg, Frankfurt, Stockholm, Gothenburg, London, Paris, Milan**.

The updates regarding the countries imposing travel bans for passengers with travel history to China and Iran are provided in below link:

Imposed National Restrictions:

- Although there are no quarantines in place until now, going on travel is highly discouraged. Travelers entering or exiting cities will be subject to clinical investigation and monitoring, and people with symptoms will be put into quarantine for 14 days. It is recommended to keep in-city commutes to minimum.
- All schools and pre-schools will be closed until 6 March 2020. The extension of this closure or any more changes will be announced. The education channel of IRIB in collaboration with ministry of education will broadcast school sessions for students.
- All universities and higher education institutes are closed until 6 March 2020 for students; however, the staff and professors need to be present at the universities to hold the classes virtually.
- Medical university students, who are considered as healthcare providing staff, including interns, fellows, and 4th year nurse students, are required to be present at their duty stations.
- All cultural, artistic, and cinematic programs; all concerts, gatherings, and ceremonies; and in general all events with accumulation of people in one place are cancelled until 16 March 2020.
- All sport matches and competitions are cancelled until further notice.
- Entrance to holy shrines and pilgrim places are subject to limitations. All religious ceremonies are cancelled until further notice. This year's "Etekaf" ceremony is cancelled. Further information regarding religious events and gatherings will be announced if necessary.
- Based on the decision made by parliament board of directors, all parliament sessions are canceled until further notice.
- The national task force has delegated the decision of reducing working hours and new working modalities to provincial corona management task forces. Working hours of public and governmental sectors in Tehran province are 8 to 13 until further notice. Residents of other provinces are encouraged to follow news from their provincial governor's office for updates regarding working hours and working modalities.
- Visiting patients in hospitals is prohibited until further notice.
- The only decision-making source for country restrictions and closures is the national corona management task force.
- Everyone is encouraged to follow the country situation and restrictions from the official news from MOH, broadcasted through Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting (IRIB).
- All hospitals, private and public, are to accept COVID-19 cases. Hospitals are prohibited to accept elective and non-emergency patients until further notice.
- All clinics with respiratory disease management capabilities are to be activated for accepting COVID-19 cases and to provide services 24-7.
- National Iranian Petroleum Products Distribution Company announced that until further notice the refueling process and fuel costs will be provided at all fuel stations by station staff and that the refueling and paying process should not be carried out without disposable gloves. This announcement obliges the staff to keep all nozzles, dispenser keyboards, toilets, etc. clean with proper disinfectants.
- National military services training course for new recruits has been delayed until 20 April 2020.