



MINISTRY OF TOURISM
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To: All Tourist Facilities

Subject: **Ensuring communication of isolation/quarantine guidelines**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As we move forward from the success achieved in 2020 and head into a tranquil 2021, it is crucial that any challenges or difficulties faced by tourists are addressed and minimized as much as possible.

In this regard, we have noticed that one of the key challenges faced by tourists is the miscommunication of the Health Protection Agency (HPA) guidelines, and this is an avoidable issue that can be solved through strengthening communication links with tourists.

Therefore, we kindly request all tourist facilities to ensure that tourists are aware of the guidelines relating to Covid management, especially isolation, quarantine and testing guidelines (i.e. quarantine period, estimated costs incurred, conditions for re-testing etc.). As well as this, it is requested to ensure and secure the payment mechanism for the isolation/quarantine period through mutual arrangements (between the guest and tourist facility) if such a case arises.

We thank you all for your continued support and cooperation towards reviving the tourism sector despite these challenging times and request all tourist facilities to maintain adherence to the procedures and guidelines announced by the Ministry and HPA.

Yours sincerely,

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