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International Passengers Arrival during Emergency Community Activity Restrictions (PPKM)

On Sunday July 4th 2021, Coordinating Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment Luhut Binsar Pandjaitan announced the Press Conference No. SP 397/HUM/ROKOM/SET.MARVES/VII/2021 regarding the need for pharmaceutical products and medical devices along with the foreign travel policy during Emergency Community Activity Restrictions (PPKM).

Regarding the international arrival for foreign citizens (WNA) starting **July 6th 2021** must show a the vaccine card or certificate (fully vaccinated) and a negative PCR result for Covid-19 when they entering Indonesia. Vaccine certificates are exempted from being granted to diplomats and visiting foreign officials at the ministerial level in accordance with diplomatic relations practices that are also applied by other countries

Meanwhile for the Indonesian citizens (WNI) who will enter Indonesia but do not have a vaccine card must show a negative Covid-19 test result from reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) before arrival, and after being quarantined and proven PCR negative, the vaccine will be given/implemented immediately.

In addition, as emphasized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs circular notes No. D/01326/07/2021/64 regarding the Covid-19 Task Force Circular Note Addendum No. 8/2021 and No. 14/2021, as for the quarantine rules set by the government, for international arrivals will undergo quarantine for 8 days with two RT-PCR tests, namely on arrival and on the 7th day of the quarantine period.

In accordance with the direction of the Ministry of Health with the following considerations are:

1. It is necessary to tighten the quarantine period for international travelers as a form of increasing awareness in dealing with variants of concern.
2. The median incubation of the SARS-CoV-2 variants Delta and Alpha is 4 days. So, the 8-day quarantine period covers twice the median incubation period of the virus.
3. The 8-day quarantine is carried out with a combination of entry & exit PCR testing which is carried out at the time of arrival of the traveler (first day) and repeated on the 7th day.
4. Entry testing is carried out to detect as early as possible the potential for transmission from travelers.
5. Exit testing is carried out on the 7th day to wait for the virus incubation period, in anticipation of the virus not being detected in the first test.
6. The combination of quarantine and entry-exit testing (days 1 and 7) can prevent post-quarantine transmission, with a probability of transmission < 0.25 percent.
7. The implementation of quarantine for travelers needs to be carried out with discipline and strictness so that there is no transmission during the quarantine period.

Reference:

- The Minister for Maritime Affairs and Investment Press Conference No. SP 397/HUM/ROKOM/SET.MARVES/VII/2021

If you require a copy of the reference document above, please do not hesitate to contact research@ibai.or.id.

Thank you for your attention and hope this information would be valuable for you.

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