

ASIAN TIGERS GROUP - COVID-19 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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NOTES:

- 1) This grid serves as a pulse check of our present assessment of the operational impact due Covid-19.
- 2) Like many other countries, precautionary measures are taken to support origin/destination service only after the 14-days quarantine/self-quarantine period if EE has travelled to affected countries.
- 3) Freight, both air and sea, are limited in schedules and especially so, to affected countries. Consequently, the difficulty and delay in securing booking, and also the price hikes due limited supply and strong demand.
- 4) Due lock-down, partial or full, in some countries, both in/out transportation will be impacted. Understandably, we will not be able to advise the estimated time it will take to customs clear the shipment and the associated port storage, demurrage and detention.

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1	Cambodia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with 14-days quarantine	The lockdown is still in effect with 3 tiers. (Red - NO MOVEMENT in or OUT // ORANGE - ONLY MOVEMENT WITHIN // YELLOW - Free Movement) We are only able to service in YELLOW ZONES
2	China (mainland)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes - but with significantly increased freight rates and some shortages in equipment (especially 40ft FCL's)	Yes - but with increase in air freight rates.	Yes, with limitations	Foreigners can now apply for a visa to mainland China, following pre-COVID procedures, providing that have received a Chinese-produced vaccine prior to the flight. This currently applies to over 80 countries around the world but this list of countries has been growing on a daily/weekly basis. Quarantine is still required on arrival to China, in accordance with local regulations at the city of arrival. Update: On 16 April, it was announced by the Chinese Embassy in Washington DC that for travellers from the US, that Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccine records can be used as part of the documentation needed for entry into China. There is some discussion that the same vaccine recognition may be extended to other countries, but nothing further has yet been announced. At time of writing, quarantine requirements are still required even for those travellers who have been vaccinated.

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3	Hong Kong SAR (China)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 21 /14-days quarantine	<p>Restrictions and Compulsory Quarantine on Entering Hong Kong All persons who have stayed in specified extremely high-risk places for more than two hours on the day of boarding or during the 21 days before that day are not be allowed to board for Hong Kong.</p> <p>Until further notice: All non-Hong Kong residents coming from overseas countries and regions by plane will be denied entry to Hong Kong; and Non-Hong Kong residents coming from the Mainland, Macao and Taiwan will be denied entry to Hong Kong if they have been to any overseas countries and regions in the past 14 days.</p> <p>Health quarantine arrangements on inbound travellers arriving from the Mainland, Macao or Taiwan under the "Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation"(Cap. 599C): Compulsory quarantine at designated places (home, hotel or other accommodation) for 14 days For persons who have stayed in places outside China on the day of arrival at Hong Kong or during the 21 days before that day have to undergo compulsory quarantine for 21 / 14 days in designated quarantine hotels.</p> <p>Health quarantine arrangements on inbound travellers arriving from overseas under the "Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong from Foreign Places Regulation"(Cap. 599E) and "Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) Regulation" (Cap. 599H): Compulsory quarantine for 21 / 14 days in designated quarantine hotels.</p> <p>The Government will adjust the boarding, quarantine and testing arrangements for persons arriving at Hong Kong (including Hong Kong residents returning to Hong Kong) who have completed their COVID-19 vaccination course under the "vaccine bubble" concept. Subject to no significant change to the epidemic situation locally and in relevant overseas places, the relevant measures will be implemented on 12 May 2021 at 0.00am.</p> <p>For more details, please refer to https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/inbound-travel.html</p>

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4	Indonesia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine	<p>Must obtain a health certificate with a proper swab test completed in departing country within 2 days of departure. This same swab test (called PCR in Indonesia) is then repeated during a mandatory 5 night/6 day quarantine in a government approved hotel. Two PCR tests will be conducted at the hotel on 1st and 3rd days before receiving a clearance certificate on the 6th day. The aforementioned is for resident visa holders and nationals only. VOA (visa on arrival) has been suspended for all tourists entering Indonesia for now. If planning on visiting you must apply for a visa in advance from embassies outside Indonesia. Limited stay business visas are now being granted but also must be applied for from embassies outside of Indonesia.</p>
5	Japan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine or similar	<p>On Fri, 2021/05/07, the Japan's central government decided to extend and expand the state of emergency (SOE) for 4 prefectures, adding 2 more prefectures. The SOE started from Sun, 2021/04/25 already and will prolong to Mon, 05/31 from 05/11. Below are the details on the SOE & the Intensive Measures (MANBO) already taken at present.</p> <p>SOE up to 2021/05/31: Kyoto, Hyogo, Osaka, Tokyo (from 04/25), Aichi, Fukuoka (New) MANBO extended to 2021/05/31: Saitama, Chiba, Kanagawa, Okinawa, Ehime, Hokkaido, Gifu, Mie (New)</p> <p>Contents of measures: Train, subway and bus services - reduced, with shorter operating hours. (SOE) Shopping malls and department stores - will be closed except for daily essentials.(SOE) Bars & Restaurants- closed by 20:00. (SOE & MANBO) Events - to limit the numbers of spectators to 5000 (MANBO) & 0 spectators (SOE). Companies - to promote remote working. People - to refrain from nonessential travel across prefectural borders.</p> <p>Any travelers arriving in Japan from designated countries are required to take an additional test for Covid variants 3 days after entering Japan.</p> <p>Please see updates: https://www.mofa.go.jp/ca/fna/page4e_001053.html</p>

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6	Malaysia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	<p>Malaysia has implemented entry and movement restrictions on all foreign nationals in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. States and districts with higher prevalence of COVID-19 is subject to Movement Control Orders (MCOs), Conditional Movement Control Orders (CMCOs), Recovery Movement Control Orders (RMCOs) or Enhanced Movement Control Orders (EMCOs).</p> <p>The office and Kuala Lumpur (capital of Malaysia) is now under MCO until 20 May subject to extension.</p> <p>Most economic sectors are allowed to operate as per norm. We will be allowed to have 30% of management staff present at workplace while attendance of operation /support staff is determined by the employer. AT Malaysia will have two teams in the office to go on alternate days while operations (warehouse and field) to work full force.</p> <p>We foresee some issues to pack and deliver at some condo based on condo management regulations.</p> <p>Export and import customs clearance is ongoing as per norm. We don't foresee any major delay expect for next week (10 to 14 May) during the Ramadhan holidays.</p>
7	Myanmar	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	No	<p>October 5 - The government has extended Yangon lockdown for another two weeks from October 7 to 21 after daily record jump in COVID-19 cases. Nevertheless, we are still able to deliver air shipments to shipper's home under strict company healthcare rules and regulations. We also manage to deliver sea shipments on a case to case basis, depending on the shipper's address.</p> <p>An earlier notice by the government included restrictions for businesses to shut and employees to work from home from September 21 to October 7.</p>

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8	Philippines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations and 14 days quarantine	<p>Metro Manila has eased the quarantine restrictions to Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) effective May 1 to May 14, 2021. There will be no lockdown but Metro Manila has maintained but eased curfew hours from 10pm to 4am, limit the working capacity to 50%, only essential travels are allowed, no religious gatherings, and no face-to-face meetings, etc. Please expect delays in customs clearance procedure due to skeletal force at the Bureau of Customs. All returning Filipinos are allowed to travel back with a limit of 1,500 passengers only per day. Entry of foreigners will be temporarily suspended except those diplomats & members of the International Organization, foreign national involved in the medical repatriation, foreign spouses with children of Filipino citizens with valid visa entry, foreign sea farers under the "green lanes" and emergency and humanitarian and other analogous cases as approved by the chairperson of the IATF.</p>
9	Singapore	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	<p>Singapore has stopped accepting new entry applications for work pass holders from countries or regions at higher risk of Covid-19. All countries and regions are considered to be at higher risk, except Australia, Brunei, New Zealand, the Chinese mainland, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau. Long-term visit pass holders and short-term visitors with recent travel history to India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka are forbidden to enter or transit through Singapore.</p> <p>With the exception of Singapore citizens and permanent residents, all travellers must obtain an entry approval to enter Singapore. All travellers are required to comply with the prevailing public health regulations and requirements in Singapore. These requirements may include - Quarantine (if required) at home (serving SHN – Stay Home Notice) or at designated facility, the use of SHN electronic monitoring device and all inbound travellers aged 7 and above, including those who had recovered from COVID-19, will be PCR-tested before and/or upon arrival. As the global situation is evolving, it is very important that you check Immigration requirements before planning your departure.</p>

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10	South Korea	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine	Starting April 1st, South Korea will enforce a two-week mandatory coronavirus quarantine for all entrants from overseas regardless of country or citizenship.
11	Taiwan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with 14-days quarantine plus 7 days self health management	Taiwan CECC announced social distancing measures on April 1st, 1.5 meters indoors and 1 meter outdoors must be observed. Mandatory to wear mask when taking public transportation, a fine will follow if fail to do so. Shipper should arrive 21 days in advance for the quarantine plus 7 days self health management before they can accept delivery.
12	Thailand	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations and 14 days quarantine	<p>April, 2021 - Thailand is in it's '3rd wave' of the pandemic. Whilst overall numbers remain low relative to other countries, this latest phase has seen the largest increase in the daily infection rate.</p> <p><u>Imposed Measures</u> The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand (CAAT) : 12 categories of persons will be allowed to enter the country *conditions apply*. Alternate State Quarantine (ASQ) period reduced April 1 to 8-16 days. The V&I process is unpredictable and may take time. Physical distancing is to be practiced and masks are required to be worn in public places at all times. Temperature checks occur at all public buildings and amenities, and QR code tracing app is expected to be downloaded before entering. Covid testing is possible. Vaccinations are available for frontline workers, those with underlying conditions & senior citizens. Vaccines are currently not available to foreigners.</p>
13	Vietnam	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, with limitations	Yes, with limitations	Very limited	Vietnam is now allowing foreign 'experts' to fly into Vietnam and go into a 15-day quarantine. It is a difficult and complicated process and it can take a few months to get approved.

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