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AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS' GUILD (INDIA)

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The Chairman  
Airports Authority of India  
Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan  
New Delhi -110 003.

**Sub.: Temporary suspension of Breath Analyzer Test in the wake of Corona Virus Outbreak-reg.**

Sir,

Breath Analyzer (BA) Test was made mandatory for airside operations staff from 2019 as per the DGCA Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR). BA test for AAI staff is being carried out daily by Paramedical Staff.

In the wake of Corona Virus outbreak, Officers are apprehensive about going for the BA Test as virus spread through air and human transmission. The use of breath analyzers in current scenario is highly unhygienic and can be one of the avenues through which the virus can spread to a lot of people. This epidemic virus has created havoc globally and developed countries are struggling to arrest the spread of this disease. World Health Organization has already raised red flag over the global outbreak of novel Corona Virus.

In India, Kerala is the state with the highest number of Corona Virus infected patients and suspected people. The Government of Kerala has declared State Medical Emergency due Corona Virus outbreak. It may also be noted that affected State governments have already suspended BA test for drunken driving until further notice.

Under the prevailing circumstances ATC Guild requests your good office to initiate needful action in order to suspend the BA test temporarily in the best interest of AAI staff and Nation to prevent the spread of this contagious disease.

We assure you full cooperation.

With regards,

*Alok Yadav*

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General Secretary

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