



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF BOHOL
City of Tagbilaran



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 44
Series of 2021

AN ORDER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 42, SERIES OF 2021, LIFTING THE 5-DAY MANDATORY QUARANTINE UPON ARRIVAL AND REPEAT TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL TO THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL FOR BOTH APORs AND NON-APORs

WHEREAS, on 02 August 2021, the undersigned issued Executive Order No. 37, Series of 2021, directing a two (2)-week suspension of air and sea travel of passengers bound for Bohol, excluding domestic air and sea travel of cargoes, starting on 12:01 A.M. of 06 August 2021 until 11:59 P.M. of 20 August 2021;

WHEREAS, because of the continuing surge of COVID-19 in the whole country brought about by new variants of concern, particularly the Delta Variant, the said Executive Order was extended through Executive Order No. 40, Series of 2021, from 12:01 A.M. of 21 August 2021 until 11:59 P.M. of 31 August 2021;

WHEREAS, on 30 August 2021, the undersigned issued Executive Order No. 42, which amended Executive Order No. 37, Series of 2021, lifting the suspension of domestic air and sea travel to the Province of Bohol, but requiring the following as conditions for travel: 1) a pre-departure 72-hour negative RT-PCR result; 2) mandatory 5-day quarantine; 3) repeat RT-PCR testing on the 5th day of quarantine; and 4) Department of Science and Technology (DOST)'s Safe, Swift, and Smart Passage (S-PaSS) Travel Management as implemented by Executive Order No. 36, Series of 2021;

WHEREAS, after a series of meetings on 03, 04 and 06 September 2021 attended by all stakeholders, including the medical sector, tourism industry and the Mayors of the component City/Municipal Local Government Units ("LGUs"), data shows that there is low or almost zero positivity rate from those arriving travelers and that as manifested by the tourism sector, their guests/clientele normally stay in the resort;

WHEREAS, during these meetings, majority of the Mayors of the component City/Municipal LGUs favored and approved the lifting of the 5-day mandatory quarantine and repeat RT-PCR testing requirements for travel to Bohol for both APORs and non-APORs, but retaining the predeparture 72-hour negative RT-PCR result and S-PaSS requirements;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, and by virtue of the powers vested in me as the Provincial Governor of Bohol under Section 465 (b), (2), (iii) of the Local Government Code (R.A. 7160) and other existing laws, I, **ARTHUR C. YAP**, do hereby amend Sections 2 and 3 of Executive Order No. 42, Series of 2021, ordering the **LIFTING OF THE 5-DAY MANDATORY QUARANTINE AND REPEAT RT-PCR TESTING REQUIREMENTS** for travel to the Province of Bohol for both APORs and non-APORs. All travelers are still required to present a negative RT-PCR result with swab or saliva samples taken not more than 72 hours before the time of departure for the Province of Bohol. Likewise, travelers are still required to coordinate with their respective LGUs through the Department of Science and Technology (DOST)'s Safe,

Swift, and Smart Passage (S-PaSS) Travel Management as institutionalized and implemented under Executive Order No. 36, Series of 2021.

Those in the process of completing their quarantine as required under Executive Order No. 42, Series of 2021, are free to end their quarantine except those who are exhibiting any of the symptoms of COVID-19 and are waiting for their RT-PCR results.

This Order shall take effect immediately upon its issuance.

Issued this 7th day of September 2021 at the City of Tagbilaran, Bohol, Philippines.



ATTY. ARTHUR C. YAP
Governor

