Foreign Exchange Policy Department

Bangladesh Bank Head Office Dhaka

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FE Circular Letter No. 15

Head offices/principal offices of all Authorized Dealers in Bangladesh

Dear Sirs,

Release of foreign exchange on account of private travel and treatment abroad

Please refer to FE Circular Letter No. 10, dated March 29, 2020 in terms of which

Authorized Dealers (ADs) have been allowed to release foreign exchange on account of travels and

treatment abroad to Bangladesh nationals visiting abroad and facing travel disruptions due to

COVID-19 pandemic for returning home.

02. To facilitate the transactions on behalf of Bangladesh nationals visiting in foreign

countries which are under lockdown due to COVID-19 pandemic, the facilities of aforementioned

circular letter shall continue till June 30, 2020 based on the actual needs of the concerned persons.

03. In terms of paragraph 10, chapter 11 of the Guidelines for Foreign Exchange

Transactions-2018, Vol-1 and its subsequent circulars, ADs can effect remittance on account of

academic fees including boarding and lodging, health insurance, incidental expenses, etc. To

facilitate health insurance for students having no coverage or limited coverage, ADs can remit

medical expenses to concerned students requiring emergency treatment. In this context, ADs shall

release foreign exchange based on the estimates supported by certificate of medical professionals

from the country where students reside. The facilities shall be applicable till June 30, 2020.

Please bring the contents of this circular letter to the notice of your concerned clientele.

Yours faithfully,

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