## UK announces 5 more flights from Bangladesh to bring home over a thousand Brits

Press release

An additional 5 charter flights will bring home more than 1,250 British travellers to the UK from Bangladesh.



Details of the flights are as follows:

29 April: Dhaka-London
1 May: Dhaka-London
3 May: Dhaka-London
5 May: Dhaka-London
7 May: Dhaka-London

This brings the total number of special charter flights organised by the UK Government from Bangladesh to nine. Once completed, they will have brought back more than 2,100 British travellers in total.

Four in-country connecting flights between Sylhet and Dhaka are also taking place. These will run on 29 April and 1, 5, and 7 May.

Given the number of people who have already registered for a flight, the majority of seats are likely to be allocated to people who are already on waitlists, having registered via the CTM website.

To register interest in a future flight, and for more information, British travellers should visit the <u>travel advice pages for Bangladesh</u>.

One of the outbound planes from the UK will carry United Nations staff and medical professionals who are deploying to support the COVID-19 response in the Rohingya refugee camps in Bangladesh.

Foreign Office Minister of State, Lord (Tariq) Ahmad of Wimbledon said:

This weekend, a total of 850 British travellers are due to return to the UK from Bangladesh on the first phase of our special chartered flights. I'm pleased we have now announced five additional flights which will enable over a thousand more Brits to come back home.

Our teams in Bangladesh and the UK continue to work around the clock to support British nationals during this difficult time and get them home safely.

Since the coronavirus outbreak began, the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) has worked consistently with governments, air carriers and travel companies to minimise disruption and help British travellers return home safely — supported with £75 million for special charter flights to priority countries, focused on helping the most vulnerable people.

## Notes to editors:

- Tickets will cost £600
- Demand for flights has been high and seats are likely to be allocated to those on existing waitlists, having previously registered via the Government's online booking portal — CTM
- Details of the previously announced Government charter flights from Bangladesh to the UK are on <a href="Gov.uk">Gov.uk</a>
- Guidance on how to book onto a government charter flight back to the UK can be found our YouTube channel

How to book a government charter flight back to the UK

## Further information

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