PROTOCOLS APPLICABLE TO TOURISTS VISITING SIKKIM

1. During your stay in Sikkim

1. All tourists shall provide correct information regarding their address, stay and travel history. If tested positive for COVID, such tourists and their primary contacts shall mandatorily comply with the directives of the State Government regarding quarantine and isolation.

2. The National Directives for COVID-19 management issued by the Government of India shall be strictly followed.

    I.   **Face mask**: Wearing of face mask is compulsory in all public places, tourist destinations and during transport.
    II.   **Social distancing**: All tourists must maintain a minimum distance of 6 (six) feet in public places. Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers.
    III.   **Spitting in public spaces**: Spitting in public spaces will be punishable with fine as per Sikkim public Health and Safety (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020.

3. Tourists are advised to book only those hotels that are following COVID protocols of health, hygiene, sanitation and screening and registered on Sikkim tourism webportal.

    I.   Provision of thermal scanning, hand wash or sanitizer at entry or exit points.
    II.   Regular sanitization of the rooms, restaurants, lobby and hotel premises.
    III.   Adherence to social distancing norms within the hotel premises.

2. While visiting tourist destinations and public places

1. Ensure that the driver is complying with the directives issued by the State Government vide Sikkim Tourism Unlock 1.0.

    I.   Drivers should wear a face mask/ face shields while on duty.
    II.   Drivers should brief the tourists on the dos and don'ts and the standard protocol to be followed by the tourists during their stay/ travel.
    III.   Every vehicle to have adequate hand sanitizers.
    IV.   Emergency numbers to be displayed on all vehicles. v) All vehicles must have garbage disposable bags.
    V.   Number of passengers in one vehicle not to exceed the prescribed limit as per existing norms. vii) Any crowd or gathering at Tourist spots to be avoided by the visitors.