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Dear Priti,

Assessments by the Joint Biosecurity Centre informing Government decisions on the red list

Please can you send us the Joint Biosecurity Centre assessments of India, Pakistan and Bangladesh that were done in advance of the decision to place Pakistan and Bangladesh on the red list as announced on April 2nd?

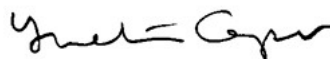
Please can you also send us all the Joint Biosecurity Centre assessments of India, Pakistan and Bangladesh that were done in the weeks commencing;

- 29 March 2021
- 5 April 2021
- 12 April 2021
- 19 April 2021
- 26 April 2021

Please can you tell us how many and what proportion of arrivals from India tested positive for Covid 19 on their 2 day or 8 day test each week during March and April?

In particular, please can you tell us what was the most recent data available on the number and proportion of Covid positive tests among travellers from India at the time of the decision to put India on the red list on 19 April.

Yours sincerely



Yvette Cooper MP