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Now buy masks, spray at airport

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Mumbai: If you are flying out of Mumbai and have forgotten to take along protection against the H1N1 virus, you can pick it up at the airport itself.

Mumbai International Airport Pvt Ltd (MIAL) will now sell swine flu travel kits to both international and domestic passengers, comprising necessary accessories — a three-ply face mask and a bottle of Receptol, an oral spray known as an immunity booster that treats common communicable and viral diseases and also prevents viruses like

H1N1 from entering the body.

The kits would be available at the airports till November 30.

"The service has been introduced at 10 counters each at the international and domestic terminals at both the arrivals and departure levels. Rapid international travel and people-to-people contact is a major way in which H1N1 can spread, putting both airport staff and passengers at high risk," an MIAL statement to the press said.

Officials said the travel kit will be available to passengers for Rs 250 in both the terminals. Apart from the mask and a 96

ml plastic bottle of Receptol, the kit would also have guidelines on the preventive measures to be adopted for swine flu and the basic know-how on the use of Receptol.

Mumbai airport has been carrying out swine flu checks at the international terminal with a thermal camera and has sent more than 25 symptomatic cases for further diagnosis in the past couple of weeks. Airlines too have trained their ground as well as flight crew to gauge H1N1 symptoms in passengers and alert the airport doctor.

Wrong diagnosis cost Nerul H1N1 patient his life: Docs

3-year-old died
private hospital

Mumbai resident who died of
The report was reportedly a
incorrect diagnosis and late
as per details provided by doc-
tored him.
shaikh, 29, a resident of sec-
4, died of complications arising
swine flu on August 27. A doc-
M Hospital, on condition of
told DNA that the patient
limited to a private clinic in
nd brought to the hospital on
fter his condition worsened,
complaining of breathless-



ness and chest pain. The report from the
hospital where he was taken first said it
was a query of malaria and acute respi-
ratory distress syndrome. He needed a
ventilator and had to be admitted here.
We suspected swine flu and sent test sam-
ples to Mumbai. We were in touch with
Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation

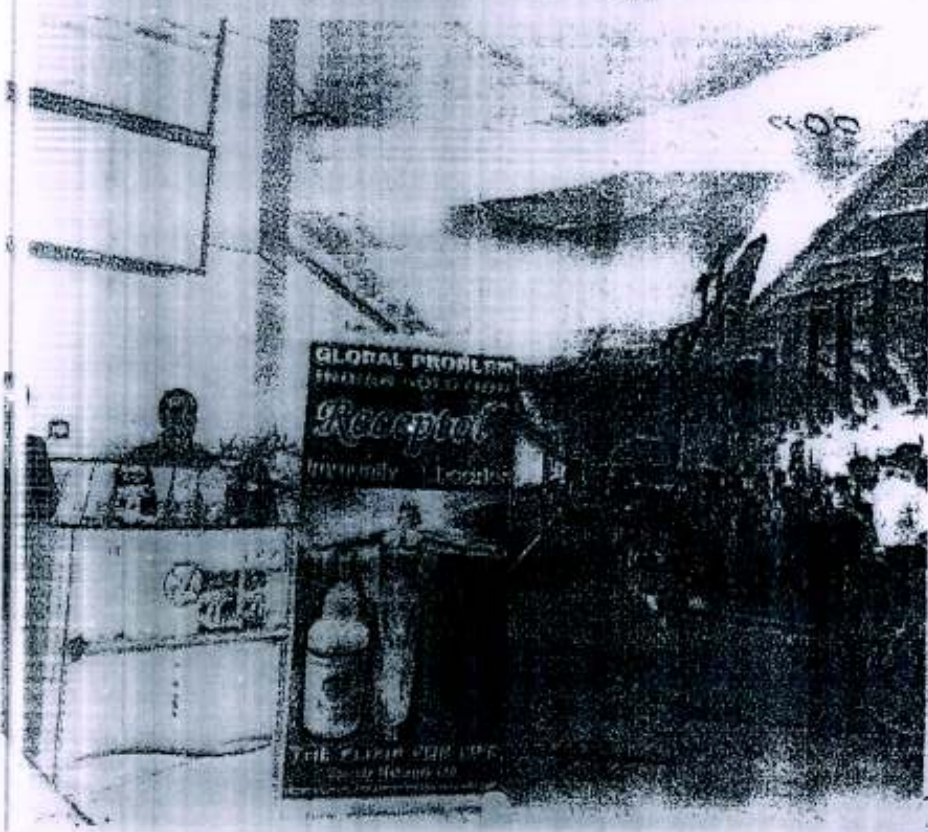
(NMMC) authorities," said the doctor.
When questioned why the patient was
not transferred to a civic hospital despite
showing swine flu symptoms, he said,
"His condition was critical and we ad-
mitted him in an isolated ICU ward. He
was here for three days. The reports con-
firming swine flu arrived the next day.
NMMC told us to send him to DY Patil
Hospital, but another day was lost as beds
were not available there." However, a doc-
tor from DY Patil Hospital dismissed the
allegation of beds not being available.
NMMC doctor Deepak Paropkari con-
firmed that MGM was asked to admit the
patient as he was critical. "In suspected
cases, private hospitals are allowed to
collect and send samples. When swine flu
was confirmed, we asked them to send
the patient to Nerul," he said.

Swine flu travel kits at airports

To aid passengers who are con-
cerned about their safety against
swine flu, Mumbai International
Airport Pvt Ltd (MIAL) has introduced
travel packs at the Chhatrapati
Shivaji International Airport.
These travel packs contain face
masks and Receptol, an immunity
booster that treats common commu-
nicable and viral diseases and pre-
vents infections such as H1N1 by
augmenting the body's natural
immune system. These are priced at
Rs250 and are made available in

easy to carry resealable bags.
Receptol can be self-administered
through an oral spray preparation.
The service has been introduced at
10 counters each at the internation-
al and domestic terminals at both
the arrivals and departure levels.
The counters will be open until
November 30.
People-to-people contact in airports
can be a major way for the H1N1
virus to spread, putting both airport
staff and passengers at high risk.

'Travel Packs' at airport to combat spread of H1N1



The Mumbai International Airport Pvt Ltd (MIAL) has introduced 'Travel Packs' at the Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport in Mumbai to combat H1N1. These travel packs contain facemasks, Receptol, an immunity booster that treats common communicable and viral diseases along with preventing new infections such as H1N1 by building the body's own natural immune system and literature offering basic know-how of the use of Receptol.

These are made available in easy to carry resealable bags. The service has been introduced at 10 counters, each at the international and domestic terminals at both the arrivals and departure levels and will run until November 30.