Revised requirement of Vaccination against Polio for all travelers to India from the Republic of Kenya and the Federal Republic of Somalia.

The Government of India has decided that all travelers to India, children as well as adults, from the Republic of Kenya and the Federal Republic of Somalia would need to have one dose of Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) at least four weeks prior to entry into India. This requirement will be effective from 1 March, 2014 for entry into India. The requirement has been put in place for individual protection of travelers as well as for reducing the risk of importation of polio virus into India. The validity of the vaccination will be one year.

All travelers from the Republic of Kenya and the Federal Republic of Somalia to India will be required to carry with them a written record of vaccination (patient-retained record) for polio, preferably using the IHR 2005 International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis, from an authorised hospital or centre administering OPV.