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<b>Title:</b>	<b>South Africa returnee tests positive for Covid-19 in Maharashtra's Thane</b>			
Action By CSU, IDSP -NCDC	Information communicated to DSU – Thane, SSU – Maharashtra			

A man who travelled from South Africa to India has tested positive for Covid-19 in Dombivli area of Maharashtra's Thane district. The man's samples have been sent for genome sequencing to ascertain if he was carrying the newly found Omicron variant of coronavirus.

The man is in isolation for now at the Art Gallery isolation centre of the Kalyan-Dombivli Municipal Corporation (KDMC). He arrived from South Africa to Delhi on November 24 and then travelled to Mumbai.

Dr Pratibha Panpatil, the health official at the KDMC, said the patient's condition is stable. The patient's brother tested negative for coronavirus.

Other family members of the patient will be tested for Covid-19 on Monday, Patil said. They are currently in isolation.

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On Saturday, two travellers from South Africa had tested positive for Covid-19 in Bengaluru. However, it was found that they were infected with Delta strain of coronavirus, not Omicron.

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