# Problems in processing of APIS data, received improper format

1.      It has been observed that problems are being faced in processing APIS data as the same is received in improper format. Following are the few examples of such data:-

I.  Names in APIS data are not found identical to as shown in the Passport. For example, ISSAC THEVARANJAN CHRISTINE SUMATHY as ISSACTHEVARANJAN CHRISTINE SUMATHY (3 Block name) or ABDULRAHIM as ABDUL RAHIM or A KHADER as ABDUL KHADER.

II.  Alphabet is a mandatory field in an Indian Passport. However many Indian P.P are found therein without any alphabet. Names should be identical to as shown in the Passport.

III.  Names have also been found with unwanted prefixes like Mr., Mrs., Ms, Dr. etc.

IV.  Important fields like Date of birth, Passport No. and nationality are left blank in many cases.

2.      Such discrepancies defeat the very purpose of the APIS. Hence all airlines are requested to send APIS data strictly as per the Passport and not in an arbitrary manner in order to enable Immigration Staff in India to process the APIS data properly.