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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Bengal: 8 people found positive for UK, South Africa Covid strains</b>			
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Just before West Bengal goes to polls, eight people in the state who had travelled overseas have been detected with the UK and the South Africa strains of Covid-19. All the cases were reported between March 8 and March 13, said the health department. According to sources in the health department, the five people diagnosed with the UK strain of Covid-19 include one each from Howrah and Nadia, two from north Bengal, and one from Jamshedpur in Jharkhand.

"All are aged between 25-46 years. They were found positive between March 9 and March 13," said DHS Dr. Ajay Chakraborty. The three found to be SA strain positive include one each from Kolkata, Basirhat and Nadia. All are between 26-44 years of age. They were found positive between March 8 and March 13, said an official.

"Out of the above, five people were admitted to hospitals. Four of them have already been discharged from ID&BG. All their contacts were found negative. The person from Jamshedpur could not be traced," added Chakraborty. The state recorded 404 fresh cases of Covid-19 on Tuesday, pushing the tally to 5,81,403. The death toll mounted to 10,310 with two more fatalities — one in North 24 Parganas and the other in Kolkata — according to a bulletin released by the health department.

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