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Sub: Allotment of Five Hundred (500) Haj Seats in Mehram Category.

As per new Haj Policy announced for 2018-2022, 500 Haj seats have been allocated for Mehram quota. In some cases intending lady pilgrims who want to apply for Haj pilgrimage this year could not do so due to non-availability of passport or any other genuine reason. While as her male companion (Mehram) applied and got selected for Haj-2018. Now such intended lady pilgrim to be included in the Cover of her selected Mehram, as otherwise, she may not be able to perform Haj in subsequent years for want of Mehram. To accommodate such lady pilgrims in the Covers of already selected Mehrams a quota of 500 Haj seats has been allocated. Haj Application Form (HAF) for selection in this category may be submitted by eligible lady pilgrims to their respective State / Union Territory Haj Committee only, on or before **20th March, 2018**. In no case shall the last date be extended for submission of HAF in this category.

2. Applications received in this category should be complete in all respects with requisite documents / declarations as follows:-

- i) That the said lady pilgrim has never proceeded for Haj Pilgrimage either through HCoI, PTO or through any other means earlier and fulfilling the criteria for making application for Haj-2018;
- ii) Filled up Haj Application Form (HAF);
- iii) Valid reason for not applying for Haj- 2018 with the selected Mehram during Haj Application phase;
- iv) Enclose valid documents and passport copy to prove the relationship of the lady applicant with the Mehram, failing which the application would be summarily rejected;
- v) The reason for which the lady applicant intends to go with this particular Mehram only, for Haj- 2018;

3. The applications of all such eligible lady applicants, received in the respective State/ U.T. Haj Committee on or before **20th March, 2018**, **duly recommended by State / U.T. Haj Committee, after due verification and thorough checking of the genuineness of the individual cases in the light of Guidelines formulated for Haj-2018** may be forwarded to Haj Committee of India upto **31st March, 2018**. In case any discrepancy is found at a later stage, the onus would lie upon the respective State / Union Territory Haj committee. Haj Committee of India shall consider the applications received on this account on merit, subject to availability of seats. In case of receipt of excess applications, **draw of lots (qurrah)** will be conducted to allot Haj seats to the eligible applicants among all applications received from irrespective of State / Union Territory Haj committees.

4. Wide publicity may be given to this Circular for the convenience of pilgrims of Haj-1439(H) -2018.

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