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Sub.: Haj – 2019. Standard Baggage.

Attention is invited to Guidelines for Haj-2019, Para 22, reproduced as under:-

“Standard Baggage: For pilgrims convenience it has been decided to standardize the baggage. Experience shows that anomalous and clumsy baggage is very difficult to carry. It creates many problems for the pilgrims as well as to co-pilgrims, resulting in delay of flights. The pilgrims should carry two suitcases and a hand bag of the size mentioned below only, to be used for both Outward and Inward journey.

Description	Number of Pieces	Weight	Size
Check-in-Bag	Two (2) suitcases	upto 22 Kg. each	(Length-75 + Breadth-55 + Height-28) 158 cm maximum total dimensions
Hand Bag	One (1) bag	upto 10 Kg.	55 cm X 40 cm X 23 cm


Baggage items other than the specified suitcases and Hand Bags should not be carried. Haj Committee of India will not be responsible for extra baggage. Non-compliance may lead to cancellation of Haj journey and forfeiture of the entire amount deposited at any stage of journey.

WARNING: PILGRIM SHOULD STRICTLY FOLLOW THE SIZE, SHAPE AND WEIGHT OF HAND BAG AS CABIN BAGGAGE. THE UNSPECIFIED OR OUT OF SHAPE, SIZE AND WEIGHT ABOVE 10 KGS. HAND BAG WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE AIRLINES AS CABIN BAGGAGE. THE SAME SHALL REMAIN STRANDED AT JEDDAH/MADINAH HAJ TERMINAL. HAJ COMMITTEE OF INDIA IS NOT RESPONSIBLE TO BRING BACK ANY SUCH STRANDED BAGGAGE FROM JEDDAH/ MADINAH TO INDIA. PILGRIMS IN THEIR OWN INTEREST SHOULD REMAIN CAUTIOUS AND FOLLOW THE AIRLINES RULES. PLEASE DO NOT KEEP ANY IMPORTANT THING LIKE TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, MEDICINES, SPECTACLES ETC. IN ANY UNSPECIFIED HAND BAG / CABIN BAGGAGE.

Note: Pilgrims are requested to record their Cover Number, Name, Address, Flight Number & Embarkation Point on baggage by bold marker pen for easy identification also paste stickers provided at the embarkation point on their baggages without fail.

2. These norms are also specified in the Haj Guide provided to all pilgrims and have also been stressed upon during the training sessions. Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India has also instructed that it is essential that Hajis carry standard size baggages only.

3. These norms must be emphasized upon the pilgrims for strict compliance. It is requested to create awareness and re-emphasize the same by giving wide publicity to the intending Haj pilgrims. Further, at the embarkation point strict instructions should be issued to all concerned agencies, Airlines, NGO's etc. to not allow any non-standard baggages.



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