HAJ COMMITTEE OF INDIA

(Statuary body of Ministry Constituted under the Act of Parliament No. 35 of 2002)

Ministry of Minority Affairs

Haj House, 7/A,M.R.A. Marg, (Palton Road), Mumbai – 400 001.

Ref.No.HC/14/138/2019/2927

Date: 22nd October, 2019.

CIRCULAR

HAJ-2020

Sub: Speedy disposal of Passport Application.

A copy of Circular No.VI/401/1/1/2016-7479 dated 16th, October 2019 issued by Joint Secretary (PSP) & Chief Passport Officer Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi regarding speedy disposal of passport applications for Haj - 2020, is enclosed for information of all concerned.

(Dr. Maqsood Ahmed Khan) Chief Executive Officer

Encl.: As stated above.

- 1. The Executive Officer / Secretary, all State/U.T Haj Committee.
- 2. The Chairman & all Members, Haj Committee of India for kind information.
- 3. The Incharge, Computer Section, Haj Committee of India for uploading on website.



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To, Shri Maqsood Ahmed Khan, Chief Executive Officer, Haj Committee of India, Bait-ul-Hujjaj (Haj House), 7-A, M.R.A. Marg (Palton Road), Mumbai-400001.

No. VI/401/1/1/2016-7479

16 October, 2019

Sub: Facilitation for issue of Passport to intending Haj pilgrims for Haj-2020

Sir,

This is with reference to your letter No. HC-14/138/2019/2743 dated 09.10.2019 on the above subject.

2. Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Circular issued to all Passport Offices in India for facilitating issuance of passports to Haj Pilgrims.

Yours faithfully,

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	To	:	 All Passport Offices in India Andaman & Nicobar Islands Administration [Assistant Secretary (Home)]
	Rpt		 (1) JS (EAMO) (2) DS to MOS (VM) (3) DS (FSO) (4) Secretary (ER) (5) Additional Secretary (CPV & OIA) (6) JS, Ministry of Minority Affairs (7) JS (Gulf), MEA (8) OSD (PSP), MEA
	No.	:	VI/401/1/1/2016
	Date	:	October 16, 2019

CIRCULAR

Haj 2020: Speedy disposal of Passport Applications

The Haj Committee of India has informed the Ministry that the announcement for the intending pilgrims of Haj 2020 has been made on 04.10.2019. The process of filling of Haj application forms has commenced from 10.10.2019 and will continue upto 10.11.2019. As per the laid down norms, only those applicants who possess machine readable valid passports issued on or before 10.11.2019, with validity at least upto 20.01.2021, would be permitted to apply for Haj 2020.

2. In view of the above, all Passport Offices are directed to accord high priority to process the Passport Applications of prospective Haj Pilgrims and ensure timely issuance of Passports in such cases upon completion of requisite documentation, Police Verification and other formalities.

- 3. As you are aware, the Haj Committee of India and the Ministry of External Affairs (through Passport Offices) have run a campaign to create public awareness about the requirement of a valid Passport by Haj Applicants. Nonetheless, there could be last minute rush for submission of passport applications by intending pilgrims. You are therefore, requested to extend requisite assistance for expeditious issuance of Passports to prospective Haj applicants by means of nominating a nodal officer, opening of facilitation counters, reserving appointment slots for such applicants, and attending to requests/grievance petitions received from such citizens in a prompt manner.
- 4. All the Verification Officers, Granting Officers and officials of the Service Provider be advised accordingly.

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