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**HAJ COMMITTEE OF INDIA**  
Under Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India  
Section :Mehram Quota

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CIRCULAR

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

As per Policy applicable for Haj 2024, 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 reasons, whereas her male companion (Mehram) applied and got selected for Haj-2024. Now such intended lady pilgrim to be included in the Cover of her selected Sharai Mehram, or otherwise, she may not be able to perform Haj in subsequent years for want of Mehram. To accommodate such lady pilgrims in the Cover of already provisionally selected Mehram, a quota of 500 Haj seats has been allocated.

2. Norms for selection of Lady Pilgrims are detailed below:-
  - i) The lady pilgrim has never proceeded for Haj Pilgrimage either through Haj Committee of India, Haj Group Organizer (HGO) or through any other means earlier and fulfilling the criteria for making application for Haj-2024.
  - ii) Lady Pilgrim desirous to apply in Mehram Category has to make Haj Application online only at the website of Haj Committee of India <https://hajcommittee.gov.in> The last date for submission of Haj Application Form is **15<sup>th</sup> March, 2024**. Hard copies of hand written/typed applications shall not be accepted.
  - iii) Lady Applicant should have only machine readable valid Indian international passport valid atleast up to **31<sup>st</sup> January 2025**.
  - iv) Attach valid documents and passport copy to prove the true relationship of the lady applicant with the Mehram, failing which the application would be summarily rejected.
  - v) The maximum number of pilgrims in a Cover cannot exceed five (5) applicants. Lady pilgrim need not apply in such Cover of the pilgrims which already consist of five (5) Pilgrims.
  - vi) After selection, the downloaded copy of online Haj Application Form should be sent to Haj Committee of India directly along with relevant documents, Original Passport, medical screening & fitness certificate, solemn declaration and requisite Bank Pay-in-Slip.

3. 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, **Digital Random Selection** will be conducted to allot Haj seats to the eligible lady applicants.

4. Wide publicity may be given to this Circular for the convenience of lady pilgrims of Haj-1445(H)-2024.

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