Embassy of India
Djibouti
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Notice regarding repatriation of Indians stranded in Djibouti

The mission has received several requests from Indian nationals in Djibouti for repatriation to India. As you may be aware that a decision has been taken by Government of India to initiate the process of return of stranded Indian nationals abroad.

2. Given the limitations in India compared to the large number of stranded Indians abroad, it has been decided to restrict the numbers initially to those that have genuine compelling reasons to return to India such as:
   i) Facing deportation by host government (Government of Djibouti)
   ii) Migrant workers/ labourers who have been laid off
   iii) Non-Permanent Residents/Short-Term Visa holders faced with expiry of visa
   iv) Facing medical emergency/ seeking treatment for terminal illness
   v) Pregnant Women/Elderly
   vi) Required to return to India due to death of a family member
   vii) Tourist/ visitors stranded abroad
   viii) Students – if their educational institutes/ hostels are closed.

3. As per the latest guidelines issued by Government of India dated 5th May 2020, the cost of travel will be borne by the passengers and all passengers shall be kept under institutional quarantine for 14 days from arrival in India.

4. The initial repatriation is being done from countries with large concentration of stranded Indian nationals. However, Ministry of External Affairs is in the process of identifying alternative routes for stranded Indians in other countries where direct flights are not available. Those desirous of repatriation to India on the aforementioned terms are requested to register at the link that will be soon made available on the website of the mission. Priority will be given to genuine cases having compelling reasons for return.

5. The registration does not guarantee repatriation but is essential to enable the Government of India to take a considered view based on the numbers and the severity of compelling circumstances of Indians stranded in Djibouti. Meanwhile all members of Indian community are requested to follow guidelines issued by the Government of Djibouti and WHO. In case of any difficulty, you may please contact the mission.

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