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Government of India
Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs
(Emigration Policy Division)

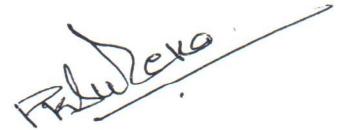
921, Akbar Bhawan, Chanakyapuri
New Delhi, dated: 12th March, 2015

Order

Pursuant to Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs' mandate to provide protection and welfare of the Indians going abroad for employment, the issue of exploitation/harassment of Indian nurses going abroad for employment was examined in the Ministry and following decisions were taken:

- (i) With effect from 30th April, 2015 the emigration of nurses for Overseas Employment in 18 ECR countries will require emigration clearance from POE offices.
- (ii) The recruitment of nurses for Overseas Employment will initially be restricted through state run recruiting agencies viz. NORKA Roots and ODEPC, Kerala only.
- (iii) For this, the Foreign Employer, who seeks to recruit Indian nurses, shall register in the eMigrate system which will be vetted by the Indian Mission in the concerned country. Thereafter, the Foreign Employers can raise the demand for Indian nurses on eMigrate system with terms and conditions of their employment. With this no further attestation of demand would be required from the Indian Missions.
- (iv) Recruitment of Indian nurses through any other Indian recruiting agents would be allowed for a specific country whenever such a proposal is received from that country, subject to the issue of a county specific order from the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs.

2. This issues with the approval of Secretary, MOIA.



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To:

1. Bureau of Immigration (BoI) - for information and compliance
2. All POEs for further compliance and for information to RAs and public
3. All HOMs for information and necessary actions.

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2. Protector General of Emigrants/JS(DS)/JS(FS), MOIA
3. JS(Gulf), MEA
4. JS(Foreigners), MHA
5. The Managing Director, M/s NORKA Roots, Norka Centre, Thruvananthapuram-14
6. The Managing Director, Overseas Development and Employment Promotion Consultants (ODEPC), Kerala
7. Project Monitoring Group of eMigrate - for necessary action
8. Under Secretary (Emigration Service), MOIA
9. Under Secretary (RAs & Complaint Section), MOIA
10. Sr. PPS to Secretary, MOIA.
11. Sr. Manager NISG
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