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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
(Disaster Management Division)  
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North Block, New Delhi-01.  
Dated the 20th May, 2020.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Repatriation of Stranded Indian Labourers from abroad to India.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Ministry of External Affairs’ UO Note No. 138 dated 15.05.2020 and D.O. letter dated 18.05.2020 regarding repatriation of Stranded Indian labourers from abroad through charter flight arranged by their employing companies particularly in Gulf region and elsewhere.

2. The aforesaid matter has been examined in this Ministry. In this regard, the movement of stranded Indian labourers is hereby permitted through charter flight arranged by their employing companies in accordance with the Standard Operating Protocol (SOP) for movement of Indian nationals stranded outside the country, dated 05.05.2020, with the following modifications:

a) In para 2(ii) of the SOP, travel to India can be by special charter flights to be arranged by employers or by hiring firms. Such flights would be scheduled after full consultations between MEA, MoCA and the concerned States to which such flights are being proposed.

b) In para 2(iv) of the SOP, the cost of travel will be borne by such travellers, or their employers.

c) In para 2(vii), all travellers shall give an undertaking, before boarding, that they would undergo mandatory institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 14 days on arrival in India at their own cost or at the cost of the employer.

3. This issues with the approval of Union Home Secretary.

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4. Additional Secretary (Foreigners), MHA.