

HAJ COMMITTEE OF INDIA

(Statutory body of Ministry of External Affairs)

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Subject : Standardization of Baggage for pilgrims of Haj-2015.

Saudi authorities emphasize that all the Haj pilgrims should carry standard baggage in the aircraft. Appeals and announcements through Haj Guidelines/Press Releases/Circulars/Training programmes etc. have been made in the past to create awareness and ensure compliance to the norms by the Haj pilgrims. However, it has been noticed that many Haj pilgrims still carry odd-sized and large baggage/cartons/sacks resulting in delays of flights, missing luggage, delay in clearance at Jeddah/Madinah airports and need to hire additional vehicles to transport the luggage. In the above perspective, the Minister of External Affairs had desired that the Haj Committee of India should ensure that uniform standardized baggage is carried by all Haj pilgrims. Accordingly, Haj Committee of India decided to procure and supply 2 suitcases of standardized size to all pilgrims of Haj-2015, as was indicated in the Guidelines for Haj-2015.

2. After following due procedure and pursuant to approval received from Ministry of External Affairs, M/s. VIP Industries has been awarded the contract for supply of two lakh suitcases of standardized size for pilgrims of Haj-2015 at the cost of Rs.5100/- per set of two suitcases of following specifications :-

- i) **Model-Glider; Str 75 WH**
- ii) **Model-Boxer; Str 63 H**

3. The cost of Rs.5,100/- shall be collected from all confirmed pilgrims of Haj-2015 as part of the Haj amount. The delivery of the suitcases shall be done by the said Company through their network. The methodology, schedule and other details of supply of suitcases to the pilgrims shall be finalized in consultation with State Haj Committees and shall be intimated shortly.

4. It may be noted that in case a pilgrim cancels his/her seat after receipt of the suitcases, the amount of Rs.5,100/- shall be deducted in addition to the deductions indicated vide para 26 (relating to Refunds) of the Guidelines for Haj-2015.



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Chief Executive Officer

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