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**Haj – 2026**  
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**CIRCULAR**

**Subject: Allotment of Five Hundred (500) Haj Seats under Mehram Category**

The Haj Committee of India invites online applications from **eligible intending female pilgrims** for the allotment of **Five Hundred (500) Haj seats** under the *Mehram Category*, as provided in the Haj Policy-2026.

2. This special provision aims to accommodate female candidates who were unable to apply for Haj-2026 earlier due to the non-availability of passports or other genuine reasons, while their male companions (*Mehram*) had successfully applied and were selected.
3. The online application facility will remain open on the Haj Committee of India's website (<https://www.hajcommittee.gov.in>) from **16.10.2025 onwards to 31.10.2025**.
4. Eligibility for application under *Mehram Category* is as under:
  - i. The female applicant must **not have performed Haj earlier**, either through the Haj Committee of India, Haj Group Organizers (HGOs), or any other means. She must fulfill all other criteria prescribed for Haj-2026.
  - ii. Applications shall be submitted **online only** through the official website <https://hajcommittee.gov.in>. *Hard copies, handwritten, or typed applications will not be accepted.*
  - iii. The applicant must possess a valid, machine-readable Indian International Passport issued on or before the last date of online application, and **valid at least up to 31.12.2026**.
  - iv. Applicants must upload the **first and last pages** of the valid passport, a **recent passport-size photograph**, **proof of address**, and a **valid document establishing relationship** with her *Mehram*. *Applications lacking any required documents shall be rejected.*
  - v. A Cover can include a maximum of five (5) pilgrims, therefore, a lady pilgrim shall not be eligible to apply in a Cover which already includes five (5) pilgrims.
  - vi. Intending pilgrims who have **already applied for Haj-2026** and whose **Covers have been generated** are **not eligible** to apply under this category.
5. The respective State/UT Haj Committees shall **verify such applications** in accordance with the Haj Guidelines-2026 by **05.11.2025**. In case any discrepancy is detected at a later stage, the onus shall lie with the respective State/UT Haj Committee.

6. Applications will be considered on merit, subject to the availability of seats. In case the number of eligible applications exceeds the available quota, a Digital Random Selection (Qurrah) will be conducted to allocate the seats.

7. All State/UT Haj Committees are requested to give wide publicity to this Circular to ensure that eligible female pilgrims intending to perform Haj-2026 (1447 H) are well informed about this opportunity.

  
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