
Ministry of Minority Affairs has received representations seeking clarifications on some of the provisions of the circular No.5/7/2017-Haj dated 09.12.2017 regarding Registration of Private Tour Operators for Haj 2018. The requisite clarifications on the issues raised are as under:

1. **Clause (ii) of Annexure A** – The model agreement should include all the services and facilities provided by the PTO to the pilgrim (both in India and in Saudi Arabia), which inter alia include the services indicated in point B (iii) of Application Format. A copy of the Model Agreement on the lines of previous year may be submitted by the PTOs.

2. **Clause (iii) of Annexure A and point B(ii) of application format** – The word ‘Service Tax’ wherever appears in the circular/online portal may be read as ‘GST’.

3. **Clause (vi) of Annexure A** – A Certificate from the Chartered Accountant indicating the Capital Employed of the PTO may be submitted.

4. **Clause (xiii) of Annexure A** – The Security Deposit should be valid upto 20th January, 2019 or beyond.

5. **Clause (xiv) of Annexure A** - The Rupees in words may be read as (Indian Rupees Ten Thousand only).

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