

NAVAYUGAM CULTURAL FORUM SAUDI ARABIA

To **DR. SUBRAHMANYAM JAISHANKAR** EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER **Government of India**

From

Navayugam Cultural Forum Dammam Saudi Arabia

Sub: Request for sending more flights to Kerala from Saudi Arabia

Dear Sir,

Navayugam Cultural Forum is an expatriate Indian community, which works for the welfare of expatriate Indians in Dammam, Saudi Arabia, for the last 14 years. We conducted many humanitarian and social services to the Indian community, with the help of Saudi Arabian Authorities, Embassy of India and various state governments. Our volunteers are very active with the volunteering works of Indian Embassy in the past and the present.

Presently we are doing our best to help the Indian expatriate community in Eastern province, who are suffering due to the issues of Corona pandemic, by distributing food, medicines, accommodation and transportation.

As the Corona Pandemic situation becoming worse in Saudi Arabia, many expatriates suffers due to the reasons like losing jobs, visa period going to

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expire, bad medical conditions, pregnancy, etc and they want to go back to India, as soon as possible. Many are contacting us for help them with this.

Unfortunately, only a few numbers of flights were allotted for Saudi Arabia, as part of "Vande Bharat Mission". Considering the fact that a huge number of Indian expatriates had registered with Indian Embassy for returning to India, including pregnant ladies, children, senior citizens, people with medical emergencies, people who lost their job and people nearing expiry of their visas, the number of flights allotted under "Vande Bharat Mission" to Saudi Arabia is highly inadequate.

We need your help in solving this dilemma. We need more flights to India from Saudi Arabia.

We are requesting your kind consideration on this request and do the needful in this regard. Please ensure more flights to Saudi Arabia, to meet the demand.

Yours faithfully

for NAVAYUGAM CULTURAL FORUM

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