

**Salient features of the Hajj Policy 2014**

- i. As like last year, the original Hajj quota of 179,210 allocated to Pakistan Hajj quota for Hajj 2012 was reduced by 20% due to expansion plan of Haram Sharif and was accordingly fixed as 143,368.
- ii. Hajj scheme, 2014 shall be implemented through Government Scheme and Private Hajj Group Organizers (HGOs) in the ratio of 50:50.
- iii. Ministry would allocate a quota of 15,000 pilgrims of Government Scheme to private scheme on prorata basis to HGOs functional in Hajj 2013 as per MOU concluded between Ministry and Hajj Group Organizers Association of Pakistan(HOAP)
- iv. Applications for Hajj-2014 under Government Hajj Scheme shall be received on the principle of "First come, First serve".
- v. There shall be no free Hajj as per practice invogue.
- vi. Applications under Government scheme will be invited through designated banks w.e.f. 21-04-2014.
- vii. Hajj package under the Government Hajj Scheme from south region (Karachi, Quetta & Sukkar) will be Rs. 262,231 and north region (Peshawar, Islamabad, Lahore, Multan, Rahim Yar Khan, Faisalabad and Sialkot) will be Rs. 272,231 as compared to Rs. 285,070 (south) and Rs. 295,070 (north) of white category of last year. An additional amount of Rs. 14,500 will be required from those applicants who opt to perform their qurabni through Islamic Development Bank.
- viii. Any person who has performed Hajj during the last five years will not be eligible to perform Hajj in 2014 except Mehram or the one undertaking Haj-e-badal.
- ix. Under the Government Hajj Scheme, shared accommodation @ 4 Sq. meters per haji as per Saudi Taleemat, with a rental ceiling of SR.3000/- per pilgrim will be provided.
- x. The rent in Makkah Mukarramah will be charged on actual basis while in case of Madinah Munawwarah, it will be charged at a flat rate of SR.500 per pilgrim.
- xi. 5% of the total seats under Government scheme will be reserved for hardship cases and for pilgrims recommended and funded by charitable institutions, Labour/low paid Employees of different public sector organizations/ corporate entities under the concept of corporate social responsibility, etc.
- xii. Each applicant would be required to undertake at the time of submitting Hajj application that before departure he/she will arrange minimum personal

exchange quota (PEQ) of SR. 1500/- On his/her own, to meet personal and qurbani expenditure in KSA.

- xiii. Hujjaj will be airlifted by designated air carriers as per revised Air Service Agreement (ASA) between Government of Pakistan and Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The airline shall charge Rs. 97,700 from south region and Rs. 107,700 from north region inclusive of all taxes.
- xiv. Fifty percent of Government Scheme hujjaj will be transported / airlifted directly to Madina from Pakistan and vice versa.
- xv. For Hajj 2014, the allocation of service business to HGOs functional in 2013 will remain unchanged. However, any company blacklisted by Saudi Government will not be entitled for operation in Hajj 2014. Further any company penalized by the Ministry on account of its adverse performance in Hajj 2013 would be reviewed for allocation of its service business as deemed appropriate.
- xvi. After the finalization of verification and scrutiny process, the Ministry would consider allocation of appropriate quota to the enrolled companies strictly in accordance with the merit determined in the light of the assessment/re-assessment undertaken by chartered accountant firms, subject to its availability or as and when quota enhanced by the Saudi Government.
- xvii. For the welfare services during Hajj-2014, Hajj Medical Mission comprising 450 personnel, 300 Moavineen-i-Hujjaj, 270 seasonal duty staff and 400 Local Khuddam ul Hujjaj in KSA will be deputed subject to availability of resources.
- xviii. A comprehensive awareness campaign for education and training of the intending pilgrims will be launched.
- xix. Hujjaj Mohafiz Scheme based on the concept of "Takaful" will be continued in Hajj Policy-2014. Death compensation has been enhanced from Rs.300, 000/- to Rs.500.000/-.
- xx. Monitoring and supervision mechanism for Hajj operation in Pakistan and KSA shall be strengthened.
- xxi. Comparison of Hajj package with last year is as under:-

ITEM	2013		2014	
	South	North	South	North
Airfare inclusive of all taxes	89,500	99,500	97,700	107,700
Accommodation at Makkah Mukarramah	Blue Category	240,000	240,000	-
	Green Category	180,000	180,000	-
	White Category	114,000	114,000	87,000
Rent of accommodation at Madina	15,000	15,000	14,500	14,500
Compulsory Hajj Dues	62,670	62,670	59,131	59,131
Hujjaj Muhafiz Fund	400	400	400	400
Service Charges	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
<b>Total - Blue Category (Rs.)</b>	<b>411,070</b>	<b>421,070</b>	-	-
<b>Total - Green Category (Rs.)</b>	<b>351,070</b>	<b>361,070</b>	-	-
<b>Total - White Category (Rs.)</b>	<b>285,070</b>	<b>295,070</b>	<b>262,231</b>	<b>272,231</b>