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The High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur has noted that with effect from 01 January 2018, Malaysian employers can directly recruit maids from India by going through the On-line Maids System (SMO). It has also been noted that the maids can be initially brought to Malaysia on a Social Visit Pass, and the employer should apply for a Work Permit within 30-days of her arrival. Employers are also allowed to hire maids who were already in the country with a valid or expired social visit pass with a compound of RM 900.

2. As far as India is concerned, **in addition to** fulfilling the conditions imposed and following the On-line procedures of the Government of Malaysia, the employers should register at the e-Migrate portal www.emigrate.gov.in of the Government of India, and get attested the requisite documents by the High Commission of India, and, thereafter, get emigration clearances on-line from the respective Protector of Emigrants (POE). Please note that the maid must be 30 years and above and a Check List of documents to be submitted on-line is available on the High Commission's website www.indianhighcommission.com.my under the menu 'Labour Services'. The deposit of Bank Guarantee of US\$ 2500 or equivalent is not required for recruiting female ECR Passport holders, for overseas employment in Malaysia, when they are recruited by any of the six State Government RAs, which are NORKA Roots and ODEPC of Kerala, Overseas Manpower Corporation Limited of Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh Financial Corporation and Telangana Overseas Manpower Company (TOMCOM), the Overseas Manpower Company Andhra Pradesh Ltd., (OMCAP).

3. Please note that recruiting female Emigration Check Required (ECR) Passport holders from India for any employment in Malaysia including as Maids, without clearance by the concerned State Government's Protector of Emigrant's Office in India, will be viewed seriously by the Indian authorities and the female workers will not be allowed to exit India at the Immigration Posts.

4. Malaysian employers who have already brought Indian female ECR passport holders for employment as Maids and who have either a valid or expired Visit Pass, should get their Work Permit done through the newly introduced On-line system and regularize their stay in Malaysia. They must also deposit a Bank Guarantee of US\$ 2500 in equivalent MYR to the High Commission of India. The details of such female workers should be submitted to the High Commission of India at the following address, along with a copy of her passport and Work Permit.

High Commission of India
Indian Workers Resource Centre
Menara 1, Mon't Kiara, Level 20, Room No. 20.3A,
No.1, Jalan Kiara, 50480,
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

5. Recruiting or bringing Indian female workers into Malaysia through any other unauthorized channels and keeping them for employment without a valid Work Permit, would amount to human trafficking and would be viewed seriously by both the Indian and Malaysian authorities. Such employers would be brought to the attention of Malaysian authorities concerned for appropriate action.
