

# TELANGANA STATE HAJ COMMITTEE

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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Haj Camp from Today for Smooth Departure of Pilgrims**

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All preparations for the Haj Camp 2018 have been completed by the Telangana State Haj Committee with active cooperation of around 28 Union and State Government Departments and organisations under the watchful eyes of its Chairman Sri Mohammed Masiullah Khan and Special Officer Prof. S. A. Shukoor at Haj House Nampally Hyderabad. First Special haj flight will take off from Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Shamsabad at 7:30 AM on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018. Deputy chief Minister Sri Mohammed Mahmood Ali will flag off the first batch of pilgrims at Haj Camp and the Haj Terminal. Higher Government officials, dignitaries and members of the Haj committee will be present on both the occasions.

The Haj pilgrims will start reporting for their flights 48 hours before their scheduled flight, this time the Haj committee has provided the facility of Online reporting at the web site of the Haj Committee, saving time and efforts of the pilgrims. In view of the rainy season, special Water proof shed have been erected in the Haj Camp. The area is illuminated profusely and presenting a festive look.

This year 25 Chartered flights of Saudi Arabian Airlines will carry 7,232 pilgrims to Makkah enroute Jeddah till 16<sup>th</sup> August, of them 4,390 belong to Telangana, 1725 to Andhra Pradesh and 1168 to Karnataka.

The pilgrims, clad in Eham (Two white unsewn sheets of cloths) will leave the Haj Camp for airport by Special RTC buses in the early hours of 1<sup>st</sup> August. Deputy Chief Minister Mr. Mohammed Mahmood Ali will flag off the first flight both the Haj Camp and the Haj Terminal.

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