

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

Ministry of Religious Affairs & Interfaith Harmony invites the "Expression of Interest" (EOI) from the scheduled banks, for collection of Hajj applications, from the intending pilgrims for Hajj 2016. Eligibility criteria is as under:

- i. The bank must have a minimum network of 350 branches all over the country. The number of branches Province-wise and District-wise/Tehsil-wise must be got verified from the State Bank of Pakistan before forwarding to MORA&IFH.
  - ii. The bank must be of National level. The bank should have presence in each district of Pakistan. The bank should have on-line facilities in all branches preferably up to Tehsil level.
  - iii. Minimum credit rating as notified by the State Bank of Pakistan should not be less than "AA".
  - iv. Hajj dues collected by the banks from intending pilgrims shall be placed in Sharia Compliant remunerative account.
  - v. **All the banks shall enclose clearance certificate of deposit of Hajj Dues of previous years from the Ministry, failing which they shall be disqualified.**
  - vi. The banks shall refund excess amount, if any, to the successful intending pilgrims immediately after balloting.
  - vii. The bank must have sufficient and trained staff in each branch to carry out the above mentioned tasks.
2. The detailed EOI documents can be downloaded from the Ministry's website [www.mora.gov.pk](http://www.mora.gov.pk) and [www.hajjinfo.org](http://www.hajjinfo.org) or obtain from Accounts Officer (PWF) Branch Room No.116 Ministry of Religious Affairs & Interfaith Harmony.
3. Scheduled banks interested in providing the services on the eligibility criteria may submit their bids/offers on the prescribed proforma to the undersigned within 15 days of publication of this Expression of Interest. After stipulated time, no bid will be entertained.
4. The bid in a sealed envelope mentioning "Expression of Interest" from scheduled Banks should be sent to the undersigned.

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