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Advisory

The Ministry had issued advisories on 29.5.2017 and 6.4.2018 advising all emigrants/prospective emigrants intending to work on fishing vessels/trawlers, which were moving from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates towards Islamic Republic of Iran, to note that instances had been reported to the Indian Missions/Posts abroad wherein Indian Fishermen, working on foreign fishing vessels, had been detained/arrested by the Iranian Authorities.

- 2. All Indian emigrants/workers were advised NOT to take up work on fishing vessels/trawlers which may be moving from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates towards Iran, till further notice, as it may lead to their possible detention, arrest or even endanger their lives.
- 3. Despite the above mentioned Advisories, it is reported that numerous fishermen continue to take up employment on Gulf vessels and pushing themselves towards imminent danger. It should be noted that there is a high possibility of their possible detention, arrest or even of fatalities. They may also face possible legal action leading to fines by the Iranian authorities or serving jail term in Iran. Therefore, it is again reiterated to all concerned to follow this and earlier Advisories strictly for their own well being safety and security.
- 4. All registered Recruiting Agents are advised NOT to process cases of employment/engagement of Indian emigrants/workers on fishing vessels/trawlers from Gulf countries fishing towards Iran.
- 5. All Protectors of Emigrants are also advised to be extra cautious in granting emigration clearance and to ensure that no application seeking issue of emigration clearance for work on fishing vessels/trawlers from Gulf countries moving/fishing towards Iranian waters is granted.

6. Appropriate action will be taken against those found indulging in activities contrary to this Advisory.

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- 1. PoEs, RAs, Mission concerned.
- 2. D.G. Shipping
- 3. BOI
- 4. PAI Division / Gult Division
 5. OIA-II Division for inclusion in the Awareness Campaign.
- 6. South Indian Federation of Fishermen Societies (admin@siffs.org)
- 7. Indian Fishermen Association kingfishinda@gmail.com
- 8. e-Migrate website