Advisory

All emigrants/prospective emigrants intending to work on fishing vessels/trawlers, which are moving from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates towards Islamic Republic of Iran, are hereby advised to note that instances have been reported to the Indian Missions/Posts abroad wherein Indian Fishermen, working on foreign fishing vessels, have been detained/arrested by the Iranian authorities. Due to their heightened security concerns the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC)' Navy is checking and apprehending all illegal vessels entering the Iranian territorial waters and the vessels which trespass into the Iranian waters will now, not be pushed back, but impounded. Accordingly, all Indian emigrants/workers are hereby 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. They may also face possible legal action leading to fines by the Iranian authorities or serving jail term in Iran.

2. All registered Recruiting Agents are advised NOT to process cases of employment/engagement of Indian emigrants/workers on fishing vessels/trawlers moving towards Iran from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates.

3. 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 moving towards Iranian waters from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates, is cleared.

(i) PoEs, RAs, Mission concerned
(ii) D.G. Shipping
(iii) BOI
(iv) PAI Division
(v) e-Migrate website.

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