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**No.E/122/5/2012-CH (KMY)  
Ministry of External Affairs  
(East Asia Division)**

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**New Delhi, 26 December 2012**

Subject: Appointment of Liaison Officers for Kailash  
Manasarovar Yatra – 2013.

The Ministry of External Affairs will be organizing the Kailash Manasarovar Yatra – 2013 from 09 June – 18 September 2013. A circular, along with an application form, for the post of Liaison Officer for Yatra-2013 is enclosed. You are requested to circulate the same to all concerned.

2. The last date for receipt of application form is **11 March 2013**.



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To:

1. All officers of the rank of Under Secretary and above in the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.
2. All Joint Secretaries (Administration/Personnel) in other Ministries and Departments of the Government of India, with a request to circulate this in their Ministries/Departments.
3. All Joint Secretaries (Administration/Personnel) in State Governments with a request to circulate this in their Departments.
4. Commandant Staff (O&T), ITBP HQ, Block No.2, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
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South Block, New Delhi, 26 December 2012

**CIRCULAR FOR LIAISON OFFICERS FOR KAILASH MANASAROVAR YATRA – 2013**

The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, will be organising the Kailash Manasarovar Yatra – 2013 from 09 June to 18 September 2013. The Yatra is a pilgrimage and involves Parikramas of Mount Kailash and Manasarovar Lake in Tibet. The route for the Yatra is along the western part of the India-Nepal border and crosses into China at Lipulekh Pass. The total duration of the Yatra proper is 23 days, of which 9 days are spent in Tibet.

2. This year, it is planned to send 18 batches of pilgrims, consisting of maximum 60 pilgrims per batch. The first batch is tentatively scheduled to depart from New Delhi on 09 June 2013. Thereafter, batches will depart once every three or four days apart. The last batch is scheduled to depart from Delhi on 27 August 2013.

3. A Liaison Officer will be appointed for each batch of pilgrims by the Ministry of External Affairs. His/her task is to liaise with the Chinese and the Indian authorities on behalf of the pilgrims in all respects, including communication, medical requirements and air-evacuation in case of emergency. He/she is responsible for ensuring the well-being and safety of the group. The expenditure on travel, board and lodging of the Liaison Officer, amounting to approximately **Rs.1,25,000/-** each, would be borne by the Department in which he/she is working.

4. Applications are invited from officers equivalent to the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India and above in Ministries/Departments of the Government of India and State Governments, as well as officers from the Armed Forces and Para Military Services.

5. The officer should be in good physical health, medically fit and should not suffer from conditions such as high-blood pressure, diabetes, asthma, heart disease, epilepsy etc. The Yatra may prove hazardous for those who are not physically and medically fit. Selection as Liaison Officer will be confirmed only after the concerned officer passes a comprehensive medical tests conducted by the Delhi Heart and Lung Institute (DHLI) and Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) Base Hospital in New Delhi prior to the commencement of the Yatra.

6. The officer should preferably have past experience of high altitude trekking/mountaineering. Experience of normal pilgrimage like Vaishnodevi and Amarnath Yatras will not count as experience in this regard.

7. The officer should preferably have first-aid experience.

8. The officer should be able to manage a diverse group of persons belonging to different linguistic, regional and professional backgrounds. Detailed instructions regarding duties and responsibilities will be communicated to all selected Liaison Officers.

9. Officers selected will be assigned batch-wise and are expected to do the Yatra with the assigned batch only.

10. Officers who have gone on the Yatra as Liaison Officers or as a Yatri in any year prior to this year will not be considered for selection.

11. Each Liaison Officer is required to submit a detailed report on the Yatra within seven days of his return from the Yatra. It will also be the responsibility of the Liaison Officer to collect completion-certificates from Ministry of External Affairs and distribute them to the Yatris after the completion of the Yatra.

12. Applications MUST be (i) approved by the Head of the Ministry/Department concerned; (ii) accompanied by necessary financial approval of the concerned Department; (iii) made on the prescribed Proforma attached; and (iv) sent to the following address along with required enclosures by the prescribed deadline:

**Attaché (China) – KMY LOs**  
**Room No. 255-A, Ministry of External Affairs**  
**South Block, New Delhi 110 011.**  
**Tel : 011-23014900; eMail: kmyatra@mea.gov.in**

13. The last date for the receipt of applications is **11 March 2013**.

14. The final list of selected Liaison Officers will be prepared after an interview is conducted of all short-listed officers by the Ministry of External Affairs.

15. The Kailash Manasarovar Yatra is extremely arduous and involves trekking at high altitudes of up to 19,500 feet, under inhospitable conditions. The Indian Mountaineering Foundation has recognised the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra as a trekking expedition and it may involve high risk to the person or property caused by any natural calamity or due to any other reason. Therefore, the Government of India shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to the person or property of the Liaison Officer.



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# KAILASH MANASAROVAR YATRA-2013

## APPLICATION FORM FOR THE POST OF LIAISON OFFICER

Duly completed application form, along with ADMINISTRATIVE and FINANCIAL approval, must reach by 11 March 2013 at:  
Attaché (China), KMY-LOs, Room No.255-A,  
Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi 110 011.  
Tel: 011-2301-4900. eMail: kmyatra@mea.gov.in

Please provide two  
recent passport size  
coloured photographs.

One to be affixed here

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| 1.  | Applicant's expanded name >> First name:  |              |
|     | Middle name(s):   |              |
|     | Surname:  |              |
| 2.  | Date of birth:  | 3. Religion: |
| 4.  | Father's full name: Shri :  |              |
| 5.  | Designation & Department:   |              |
| 6.  | Office address:   |              |
|     | Mobile and Landline (with STD code):  |              |
|     | Fax (with STD code):  |              |
| 7.  | eMail addresses:  |              |
| 8.  | Residential address:  |              |
|     | Home Telephone (with STD code):   |              |
| 9.  | Next-of-kin details for emergency >> Name:  |              |
|     | Mobile and Landline (with STD code):  |              |
|     | eMail:  |              |
| 10. | Experience of high altitude trekking:   |              |
| 11. | Main purpose for applying for post of LO:   |              |
| 12. | Whether applied in the past as Yatri/LO: YES   NO. If yes, travelled as YATRI  LO in (year) ..... |              |
|     | If not selected/travelled, reasons thereof:   |              |
| 13. | Experience of First Aid Training, if any:   |              |

PLACE :

DATE :

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

### FOR SPONSORING MINISTRY | DEPARTMENT:

I have accorded administrative approval to the above applicant to participate in the Kailash Manasarovar Yatra-2013 as Liaison Officer. The financial sanction is attached | is being processed and will be forwarded in due course.

NAME & SIGNATURE OF HEAD OF DEPARTMENT WITH SEAL

Official Reference Number and Date: