



Consulate General of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
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Notice on the need assessment of a non-scheduled repatriation flight from Sydney

The two non-scheduled repatriation flights operated on 8th May and 15th June 2020 by the High Commission of Bangladesh in Canberra has successfully repatriated the majority of the stranded Bangladeshis in Australia who had registered for repatriation with the High Commission. While we understand that there are still some stranded Bangladeshis in Australia who would require returning to Bangladesh soon, the need for another non-schedule flight has greatly diminished after resumption of operations of some commercial flights in Bangladesh in recent times. Likely resumption of few more flights in the coming months is expected to ease up the situation further.

Despite growing availability of commercial flights, we have been receiving an increasing number of calls recently at the Consulate from the stranded Bangladeshis to arrange another repatriation flight from Australia. Prevailing volatility in the aviation industry and looming risk of last-minute flight cancellation could possibly be the reasons why some are still feeling the need of a non-scheduled flight from Australia.

Since viably organizing a flight would require a certain number of passengers opting for it, the Consulate feels the necessity to get a count of the number of stranded Bangladeshis who are interested in a non-schedule flight for their return. Even if there is enough demand, the Consulate will not be able to organize a flight before the first week of August due to local restrictions currently in place.

In view of the above, if you are a stranded Bangladeshi in Australia and is still looking for a non-scheduled repatriation flight to return to Bangladesh, **we request you to register your interest by filling out the online 'Need Assessment Form for Special Flight' from the home page of this website.**

Details of the flight including date, cost of the ticket per person, flight route etc. will be worked out and subsequently notified once the confirmation of interest from a requisite number of citizens is received.

Sd/-

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