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NOTICE

Dear all,

UNHCR is receiving many inquiries from Afghans, as there are the announcements by several States that they will increase resettlement opportunities for Afghan refugees.

Please note that the UNHCR resettlement programme will continue to be accessible only to those who meet eligibility criteria and through the already established UNHCR procedures for identification and referral. Resettlement remains a tool for the most vulnerable refugees, and only those most in need in the country of asylum may qualify.

Separate and distinct from UNHCR's resettlement programme, some countries have recently announced opportunities for Afghan nationals who have worked or been affiliated with those countries to apply for permission to travel to those countries. These programs are established by those countries and UNHCR does not refer people to the programs or process applications. For detailed information, please refer to other countries programmes to respective country website or link.

For queries with regard to UNHCR and its processes, you may share the following link to our Afghan cell: <https://help.unhcr.org/india/information-for-afghans/> or our UNHCR toll-free number 1800 1035635 or 9810173130 or 7303154009 or email indne@unhcr.org.

Please note that:

- ***Registration or/and recognition of refugee status by UNHCR does not necessarily mean that an individual will be referred for resettlement.***
- Only a few resettlement spots are made available to UNHCR each year, and few refugees meet the strict criteria for submission to resettlement countries
- Resettlement is not a right. It is also not an application-based process, therefore please do not submit applications or visit the UNHCR office premises in this regard.
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- If you believe that your situation will need extra attention due to your situation of heightened vulnerability, please call the UNHCR toll free number 1800 1035635 or write to UNHCR India at indne@unhcr.org

Should you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to reach out to us.

Important: The services and assistance provided by UNHCR and its partners are free of cost. No sexual or other favour can be requested in exchange of services and assistance. UNHCR and its partners have a policy of zero tolerance of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

