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1. As part of measures to secure the interest of Indian workers proceeding abroad for employment, the Government of India has decided to obtain a bank guarantee of US\$ 2,500/- from individual foreign employers in regard to direct recruitment of household service workers, including housemaids, and other workers on a stand-alone basis. However, bank guarantee would not be applicable in respect of recruitment undertaken through registered recruiting agents in India.

2. In each applicable case, the foreign employer should obtain a Bank Guarantee Certificate for US\$ 2,500/- from the State Bank of India, Bahrain, and submit one original copy, along with other required documents, for attestation of agreements of employment by the Embassy of India, Bahrain. The bank guarantee deposit should be made into Account No. 02700202120001 in favour of Embassy of India (Bank Guarantee for Recruitment of Indian Personnel) Bahrain.

3. The Bank guarantee would be released to the foreign employer on termination of the employment and subject to the satisfaction of the Embassy that all the dues of the worker have been paid by the employer. In case of pending dues, the amount due to the worker would be deducted from the bank guarantee deposit and the balance refunded to the foreign employer.
