



MWO-DUBAI ASSISTS WORKERS AVAILING UAE AMNESTY PROGRAM

Since the launch of the UAE Amnesty Program on 01 September 2024, a scheme which provides an opportunity for individuals to regularize their visa status or return to their home countries without incurring fees or facing entry bans, the Migrant Workers Office – Dubai and Northern Emirates has been actively supporting the said initiative and generosity of the UAE government. MWO-Dubai personnel are assigned at various UAE Amnesty Program Processing centers to assist Filipinos on their repatriation needs.

As of the first week of the UAE Amnesty Program processing, the Philippine Embassy in the UAE and the Philippine Consulate General in Dubai, through a joint statement, announced that a total of two thousand fifty-three (2,053) Filipinos have been assisted on their Amnesty processing which waives penalties for overstaying and absconding.

On 04 September 2024, PCG-Dubai shared the news that a Filipino from Sharjah, who availed of the UAE Amnesty Program, is among the first to be repatriated to the Philippines. Her accumulated overstay fines from the past eight years were graciously waived by the UAE government by virtue of the provisions of the Amnesty Program and this would allow her to return to the Philippines after eighteen (18) years of staying in the UAE. H.E. Lieutenant General Mohamed Ahmed Rashid Al Marri, Director General of the General Directorate of Residency and Foreign Affairs (GRDFA) also provided her with a complimentary ticket to the Philippines.



MWO-Dubai also extended its support, providing her with cash assistance and essential medication for her medical condition. She will be referred to the OFW Hospital for continued treatment upon her return to the Philippines.

Filipinos with unresolved immigration issues are encouraged to avail of the UAE Amnesty Program and visit the Philippine Embassy in Abu Dhabi or Consulate General in Dubai to inquire on how they can fully benefit from the program. The Amnesty program will run up to 30 October 2024.