AMNESTY PROGRAM FOR ILLEGAL WORKERS IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE)

In line with the amnesty program for illegal workers in the UAE, illegal workers who wish to avail of amnesty should take the following steps:

1. Illegal residents can go to any Department of Naturalization and Residency Department (DNRD) in the country to benefit from the amnesty program.
2. Those under the Ministry of Labor should go to the Ministry of Labour (MOL) first before going to any DNRD office.
3. Workers should bring their passports or labor cards.
4. Those who do not have their passports will be assisted by DNRD officials who will get the details about the workers such as name and date of entry to the country.
5. Those who are not working with their real sponsors will be assisted in transferring to new sponsors without paying any fine.
6. Those who wish to leave the country should obtain an airline ticket.

Expatriate workers who fail to amend their status within three (3) months will face stiff penalties of fine and imprisonment. Employers who employ illegal workers such as housemaids, laborers or any other workers will be penalized with imprisonment, pay huge fines and face deportation with ban for expatriate employers.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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