Indian students studying in Donetsk and Lugansk region:

Embassy of India, Kyiv has received reports about a few Indian students attempting to go back to Donetsk and Lugansk in order to resume their studies. The Embassy in its numerous advisories as well as the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science have clearly stated that such students cannot further pursue their studies in Donetsk and Lugansk regions in view of the grave security situation and must instead transfer to other universities in Ukraine. While a ceasefire has recently been announced, there are continuous reports of fighting in many areas. The Embassy reiterates its earlier advice that Indian students should not attempt to go back to Donetsk and Lugansk regions as there is grave danger and they would be putting their lives at risk.

2. As conveyed in the Embassy’s advisory of August 11, 2014, the Indian students from Lugansk and Donetsk regions should consult the website of the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science (www.mon.gov.ua) as well as of the Ukrainian State Centre for International Education (www.intered.com.ua/en) for details regarding the procedure for transferring to other universities in Ukraine. The Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science has put up a list of universities willing to accept foreign students transferring from Donetsk and Lugansk (weblink: http://intered.com.ua/en). The list is likely to be updated with additional information and hence the website should be monitored regularly.

3. The Embassy has received information that some Indian students have directly contacted the other universities where Indian students are studying and have already initiated the process of transfer to such universities. Indian students may also wish to explore the possibility of transfer to universities in other countries.

Security Situation:

4. The security situation in Lugansk and Donetsk continues to be very grave as described in paragraph 1 above and no student should attempt to return to these regions. As far as other parts of Eastern Ukraine are concerned, the situation there is also tense and uncertain and students should be very careful and cautious about their security and not venture out in public places. They should constantly monitor the local news and also the Embassy’s Advisories in this regard.

5. As regard the situation in Western Ukraine, there is no immediate cause for concern. However, in view of the tense situation in the country as a whole, students should generally be careful about their safety and security.

6. Please note that it is not possible for the Embassy to individually respond to the numerous queries received from students and information would be conveyed through advisories on the Embassy’s website.

7. Those Indian students who have not yet done so are urged to register themselves on the Embassy’s website and provide necessary contact details therein. This would facilitate Embassy’s efforts in disseminating relevant information.

8. In case of Emergency, the Embassy can be contacted at any time at:
   [Please note Embassy’s new email address]
   Email: eokmail@gmail.com
   (Please start SUBJECT of email with the word EMERGENCY, followed by subject matter)
   Tel: +380-44-4686670 & Mobile: +380-933559958 [For Education & Consular related queries]
   Tel: +380-44-4686219, 4686661, 4687032 & Mobile: +380-930913855 [For other queries]
   Website: www.embassyofindiaukraine.in

9. The next advisory would be issued on Tuesday, 07 October 2014 or earlier, if required.

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