<u>HOW YOU JUSTIFY FAIR AUSTRALIA?</u>

I am here to make you aware of the entirely Injustice done to us by the Government of Australia.

Sir, I would like to express opinions about this Injustice on behalf of all concerned applicants (pre-September 2007). As all, I was sure to get my visa granted, but unfortunately all my efforts were only a pipe dream on the day when I got the information of my capped and ceased visa on 7th July 2010. I had been waiting for my visa for a long period because all my documents were genuine and every reason of getting visa was apt. This decision after a long process of 3to4 years is entirely unfair. It affects and disturbs the age factor. Moreover, the time of the applicant is also wastage. I have missed and left so many offers and opportunities that at present. I am deprived of all of the golden chances only due to your long and perplexed visa processes. Adding up, I could also change my business field, but if I had done the same my case officer would have declared me fraud applicant. I already completed all the conditions required to apply for this visa i.e.IELTS test, positive TRA report, +ve file number, trade experience, positive age factor, Allocation of case officer, But all my efforts have been wasted and proved unfruitful. I have passed through a great mental and financial loss.

We do not believe that refugees arriving by boats are the key (skilled) migration issue facing Australia, nor should population policy be simply equated to (skilled) migration policy.

In particular I ask you to consider the following facts:

- No legislation giving Ministerial powers to "Cap and Cease" visa applications after they are lodged; You also know that migration rules change regularly, but once you apply you are generally protected from all future changes to the rules.
- A review of the Business Migration Program to meet current Australian skills shortages and business needs;
- Any review of the Employer Nominated Skilled Program should not disadvantage overseas skilled workers looking for permanent residency;
- A balance across humanitarian, family and skilled migration categories, and temporary and permanent entrants;
- A return to a more bipartisan and humane approach to migration across all categories of visas:
- A restoration of confidence for those who wish to settle as skilled workers here and
- Any population policy must value the economic and social contribution of migration.

Skilled workers who legitimately applied and paid to work with permanent residency has blocked unfairly, and huge number of skill vacancies shows the industry already have skill shortage is feeling the effects, with a predicted fall of skilled migrants over the coming years.

Cap and Cease legislation also has created uncertainty for potential migrants, destroying their legitimate plans for the future and putting their lives on hold for years. To invite people

to apply to permanent to Australia, lodge their applications and pay their money, and then left them by an act of a Minister is shameful. Against natural justice, and is based bias. It is not the fault of applicants to keep their applications pending for three years. It may be justify if it is taken at initial stage and such condition if any was brought in to the notice to applicants at the time of lodgment. The action of minister is based on inhumanity and might be unwelcomed consequential prize for investment of faith and money in Australia. Whatever analyzing reasons have been used to validating minister's decision will be well known in Australia's future.

Capping and Ceasing of valid pre-September lodged applicants is like selling of country's pride for the sake of money and cheap politics by an unfettered power wielded by a single Minister. A better, fairer way to manage the flow of skilled migrants would be to stop initial applications, rather than Capping and Ceasing retrospectively.

The succession of drastic and often retrospective changes that feature in the Migration Program damage Australia's reputation abroad, making this country an unattractive destination for skilled workers, students, families and migrants. A public inquiry should be held into the General Skilled Migration (GSM) program as it is becoming dysfunctional, ineffectual and cumbersome, and may lead to another major skills shortage. I hope you will play a part in restoring our standing and reputation as a desirable and fair country in which to live, work and study.

'Capped & Ceased' policy is a controversial and unreliable issue. It would harass and hurt the feelings of all the applicants from overseas. All applicants from entire world are strongly opposes this policy. All applications pre-September 2007 have been cancelled based on cap and ceased provision. No where strong reason of disapproval or objection has been mentioned. It is a betrayal and election agenda. The minister was critical in the hysterical and inflammatory reception of cap and ceased policy. The reasons that I have mentioned in my letter are valid.

So, we hope that the Australian government (particular you) will think on our aspects and keep in mind with moderation and compassionately and will raise this issue in such a way so it will put a precious contribution in the reputation of 'Fair Australia' and make stout relations with the entire world. We shall be very thankful to you for this purpose of kindness.

Waiting for your response.

REGARDS,
All pre-September 2007 (30k) applicants
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