



Consulate General of India
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Press Release

Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), India has decided to begin granting of fresh Tourist Visas for foreigners coming to India through chartered flights with effect from October 15, 2021. Foreign tourists entering into India by flights other than chartered aircraft would be able to do so only with effect from November 15, 2021 on fresh Tourist Visas.

2. The Foreign nationals intending to travel India for tourism purposes are required to obtain a Fresh tourist VISA as the existing valid tourist visa (in case any foreign nationals are holding) continues to remain suspended. The Foreign nationals will be issued fresh e-tourist VISA/Regular Tourist VISA for **30 days/ single entry** only and will have to be **utilized within 120 days** from the date of issue of such Visa/ETA.

3. All due protocols and norms relating to COVID-19 as notified by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare from time to time, shall be adhered to by the foreign tourists, carriers bringing them into India and all other stakeholders at landing stations. With this, the restrictions placed on visa and international travel stand further eased given the present overall COVID-19 situation.

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