

1.	e Visa	<p>This category of visa is handled directly by the authorities in India. The process involves completely online application for which no facilitation is required by any intermediary/agent etc.</p> <p>Please read in details at:</p> <p>https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html</p> <p>Any questions/clarifications about e visa may be addressed to the helpline at:</p> <p>+91-11-24300666</p> <p>indiatvoa@gov.in</p>
2.	Tourist Visa	<p>Tourist visa is granted to US citizens and other nationals whose sole objective of visiting India is recreation, sightseeing, casual visit to meet friends or relatives</p>
3.	Business Visa	<p>Business Visa (BV) is granted to those who wish to visit India for business and trade purposes. A letter from the applicant's company /organisation in USA as well as an invitation letter from Indian Partner Company indicating the nature of applicant's business, probable duration of stay, the places and firms to be visited in India is required. A copy of the incorporation certificate of the Indian company also needs to be provided.</p> <p>Dependents need to apply for dependent visa in the same category.</p>
4.	Entry Visa	<p>Entry Visa is granted to Persons of Indian Origin and family members. Documentary proof needs to be provided. This visa can be extended later by the</p>

		Foreigners Regional Registration Officer in India on a yearly basis up to a maximum period of 5 years.
5.	Employment Visa	<p>Employment visa is granted to those who wish to take up employment in India. Those who wish to do volunteer work in India are also granted EV. The duration of Employment Visa would be for the period of employment/volunteer work, which will usually not exceed one year at a time. The foreign national being sponsored for an Employment Visa to work in India should draw a minimum salary in excess of Rs. 16.25 Lakh per annum. However, this condition of annual limit on income will not apply to: (a) Ethnic cooks, (b) Language teachers (other than English language teachers) / translators and (c) Staff working for the concerned Embassy/High Commission in India. The application for Employment Visa may be rejected by the Indian Mission/Post concerned in case the minimum annual income benchmark of Rs. 16.25 Lakh is not met, except in the case of the three categories mentioned above.</p> <p>Dependents need to apply for dependent visa in the same category</p>
6.	Conference Visa	Conference Visa is granted to attend Conference, Seminar or Workshop in India. It is usually granted for three month validity. Application must be supported by Invitation letter from the organizers, necessary clearances of the Government of India agencies.
7.	Research Visa	Research Visa is granted to those desiring to go to India for undertaking some Research work. Please note that you have to apply for RV even if you hold a Person of Indian Origin (PIO) card or Overseas Citizens of India

		<p>(OCI) card issued by the Government of India.</p> <p>Dependents need to apply for dependent visa in the same category</p>
8.	Student Visa	<p>Student Visa is issued for undertaking educational courses in India. Its duration will depend on the duration of the course to which you have been admitted to in India.</p> <p>A letter from a recognized educational institution in India confirming admission of the applicant, duration of course and evidence of financial arrangements made for maintenance in India would be required along with the visa application. If admission is not confirmed, provisional admission letter may be produced.</p> <p>Dependents need to apply for dependent visa in the same category</p>
9.	Intern Visa	<p>This category is for persons intending to pursue internship in NGOs, companies and Educational Institutions in India. The internship has to be immediately after completion of graduation/post graduation. The period of internship will be one year or less. The foreign interns in company should draw a minimum remuneration of Rs.7, 80,000 per annum. However, there is no minimum salary limit in case of internship in Educational institutions/NGOs. The earnings from internship will be subject to Indian Income Tax Regulations. Company/Organization concerned will have to furnish undertaking ensuring departure of the foreign Intern on completion of the internship. Grant of Intern visa to applicants doing internship in NGOs will</p>

		be subject to clearance of concerned authorities which may take around 10 weeks.
10.	Visa for Journalism and for Journalists	<p>All Journalists, including photographers/film producer or director (other than of commercial films), a representative of a Radio or Television organisation, travel writer or travel promotion photographer etc. are required to apply for Journalist Visa only, even if the visit to India is for reasons other than journalism.</p> <p>If the applicant (s) intends to make a documentary in India, kindly contact Vice Consul (Visa) in the Consulate.</p> <p>Journalists are granted a three months single entry visa valid for a maximum stay of one month.</p>
11.	Film Visa	<p>Persons wishing to shoot a feature film/reality TV show and /or commercial TV serials have to file their applications with the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India. The details about the application process are available on the webpage of the Ministry at following link:</p> <p>http://mib.nic.in/demo.aspx</p> <p>Film/Project specific visa will be issued subject to the fulfillment of the required conditions and after the approvals of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, GOI have been obtained.</p>
12.	Medical Visa Medical Attendant Visa	<p>Medical Visa is meant for those foreigners whose sole objective of visit to India is to seek medical treatment in established/recognized/specialized Hospital /Treatment Centres in India for serious ailments. The applicant is required to produce Medical history from the local doctors/hospital, Medical certificate/advice from established/ recognized/specialized Hospital/Treatment</p>

		<p>Centres in India confirming the dates, place(s) and the duration of the treatment. Also need to furnish evidence of financial arrangements made for treatment and maintenance in India.</p> <p>Medical Attendant Visa</p> <p>Medical Attendant Visa is meant for the attendant / family members of the patient coming to India for medical treatment. This visa is co-terminus with Medical Visa of the patient. The applicant is required to produce a letter from established/recognized/specialized Hospital/Treatment Centers in India confirming that assistance is required by the patient on Medical Visa with the Medical Attendant's name included in the said letter.</p>
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Validity of passport

Current valid passport with minimum of 180 days validity and must have minimum 2 blank pages.

Applicants having Non-US Passports

Normally, persons seeking Business Visa may apply for visa in their native country. However, if you have been living in USA on a long term visa or work permit or Permanent Resident card, your application for Business Visa can be considered. The fee and the processing time can be significantly different than those applicable for US Passport holders.

Applicants having Pakistani Passport or persons of Pak origin

(i) Pakistan passport holders: For making an application, like all other visa applicants, please visit the link <https://www.in.ckgs.us/> and submit your Visa Application Form online. While filling the form, you will be required to give the name and address of the Indian sponsor. Your sponsor in India should provide you with the completed Sponsorship Certificate duly attested by one of the Indian authorities as required. This will be used by you to fill in the online Visa Application Form. A copy of the Sponsorship Certificate may be attached with the Visa Application that you submit to CKGS.

(ii) If the visa applicant currently holds US nationality

If the visa applicant ever held Pakistani nationality in the past, the procedure is same. In place of sponsorship certificate applicant is required to provide copy of the Renunciation of the Pakistan citizenship Certificate.

(iii) If applicant is US born but his/her parents or grandparents have or ever held Pakistani nationality, same procedure will be applicable except that Sponsorship Certificate will not be required.

Please ensure that you give two Indian references with full address and phone numbers in your Visa Application Form. Without this information, your Form will be rejected by New Delhi office, resulting in delays. The usual turnaround time is 10-12 weeks. In some cases it may take more time as the matter is examined by the concerned authorities in India. Consulate will be able to issue the visa only when the approvals have been received. Applicants, if required for other usage, may temporarily withdraw their passports through option available on CKGS webpage. The passport can be re submitted later for grant of visa in due course.

If the visa applicant is less than 12 years or more than 65 years of age, his/her visa can be processed in shorter time frame.

In view of the processing time involved, applicants are advised to be patient and wait for visa to be granted.

Submission of applications

After filling the online Visa Application Form, take a print out. You will need to submit it to CKGS along with supporting documents and visa fee. This can be done in person or by post.

Validity of passport before applying for visa and travel to India

Passport should have least six months validity from the date of arrival in India. The passport should have at least two blank pages for stamping by the Immigration Officer.

Grant of visa

Grant of visa to an applicant is at the discretion of the Consulate. Fees paid with visa application is non refundable.