



High Commission of India
Dhaka

Press Release

Travel advisory for travelling to India

This for information that, in view of the existing spread of COVID-19, the Government of India has issued the following instructions on travel to India:

- **All existing visas, except diplomatic, official, UN/International Organizations, employment, project visas, stand suspended till 15th April 2020.** This will come into **effect from 6 PM (BST) on 13th March 2020** at the port of departure.
- **All valid visas issued by the High Commission of India or the Assistant High Commissions of India in Bangladesh on or before 12th March 2020 will remain suspended from 6 PM (BST) on 13th March 2020 till 15th April 2020. No new visa shall be issued from 13th March 2020.**
- Visa free travel **facility granted to OCI card holders is kept in abeyance till April 15th 2020.** This will come into effect from 6 PM (BST) on 13th March 2020 at the port of departure.
- Any **foreign national who intends to travel to India for compelling reason** may contact the High Commission of India, Dhaka at visahelp.dhaka@mea.gov.in or visa.dhaka@mea.gov.in.
- **All incoming travellers to India, including Indian nationals, arriving from or having visited China, Italy, Iran, Republic of Korea, France, Spain and Germany after 15th February, 2020 shall be quarantined for a minimum period of 14 days.** This will come into effect from 6 PM (BST) on 13th March 2020 at the port of departure.
- **Incoming travellers to India, including Indian nationals, are advised to avoid non-essential travel and are informed that they can be quarantined for a minimum of 14 days on their arrival in India.**
- Indian nationals are strongly advised to avoid all non-essential travel abroad. On their return, they can be subjected to quarantine for a minimum of 14 days.
- International traffic through **land borders will be restricted to designated check posts with robust screening facilities. These designated checkpoints will be notified later**

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