



High Commission of India Singapore

Press Release

Revised Travel and Visa restrictions related to COVID-19

- i. All existing visas, except diplomatic, official, UN/International Organizations, employment, project visas, stand suspended till 15th April 2020. This will come into effect from 1200 GMT on 13th March 2020 at the port of departure.
- ii. **Visa free travel facility granted to OCI card holders is kept in abeyance till April 15th 2020.** This will come into effect from 1200 GMT on 13th March 2020 at the port of departure.
- iii. Foreign Nationals and OCI card holders with a compelling reason to visit India need to apply in person for Visa at the High Commission of India to Singapore with supporting documents. We may be contacted via email at visa.singapore@mea.gov.in and cons.singapore@mea.gov.in (Visa applications will not be accepted at our external visa processing centre managed by BLS, starting today i.e. 12 March 2020)
- iv. All incoming travellers, including Indian nationals, arriving from or having visited China (including HK), Italy, Iran, Republic of Korea, France, Spain and Germany on or after 15th February, 2020 shall be quarantined for a minimum period of 14 days. This will come into effect from 1200 GMT (1730 IST, 1500 SGT) on 13 March 2020 at the port of departure for onward journey to India.
- v. All passengers, including Indian nationals, arriving from or having travelled to COVID-19 affected countries, which in addition to the countries mentioned in Para iv above, include **Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Nepal and Indonesia**, are advised to undergo a self-imposed quarantine for a period of 14 days. (PIB Press Release dated 11 March 2020)
<https://pib.gov.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=1606050>
- vi. All other incoming travellers are advised that they can be quarantined, if needed, for a minimum of 14 days on their arrival in India.

- vii. Government has advised Indian nationals to avoid all non-essential travel abroad. On their return, they can be subjected to quarantine for a minimum of 14 days.
- viii. International traffic through land borders will be restricted to Designated check posts with robust screening facilities. These will be notified separately by M/o Home Affairs.
- ix. Advisory issued by the Indian Bureau of Immigration may also be seen at <https://boi.gov.in/content/advisory-travel-and-visa-restrictions-related-covid-19-dated-12th-march-2020>
- x. <https://www.mohfw.gov.in/ConsolidatedTraveladvisoryUpdated11032020.pdf>

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