

**Embassy of India
Moscow**

General Advisory for Indian nationals visiting to the Russian Federation

1. Indian citizens must hold a valid visa or an approved Unified e-Visa (UEV) to enter the Russian Federation. Standard requirements include a passport valid for at least 6 months, confirmed accommodation, round-trip tickets, sufficient funds, and appropriate medical insurance
2. Please note that e-Visa issued to Indian nationals cannot be converted to Employment Visa or any other type of Visa after arrival in Moscow.
3. Please be aware of unscrupulous agents promising conversion of e-visas/regular visas to employment visa. Services of only registered Indian recruiting agencies may be availed for overseas employment. Several instances have come to Mission's notice, where agents had affixed fake employment visas on the passports of Indian nationals who travelled to the Russian Federation on e-Visa. Please exercise caution to avoid falling into such trap.

Documentation Requirements for visas

- **Passport** : Visitors must have at least 6 months of remaining validity and a minimum of two blank pages
- **Visa Application** : Indian nationals can apply for a short-term e-Visa (The unified e-visa is a single entry visa with 30 days stay and 120 days validity period) via the Russian e-Visa Platform (<https://electronic-visa.kdmid.ru/>) For longer stays, one must obtain a regular sticker visa through the Embassy of the Russian Federation in the Republic of India and the Consulates General located in Chennai, Kolkata and Mumbai (<https://india.mid.ru/en/consular-affairs/visa/>) or official Russian Visa Centers in India (<https://russia-visacentre.com/en>).

- Validity of unified e-Visa can be checked at <https://evisacheck.kdmid.ru/>
- **Travel Insurance** : It is advisable to get appropriate travel insurance for medical repatriation and emergencies, explicitly valid in the Russian Federation.
- **Flight Tickets** : Confirmed round-trip flight tickets are mandatory for both e-visas and regular visas.

Proof of Funds Norms:

- Indian nationals need to prove that they have sufficient financial means to cover their daily expenses and return journey. The standard norm is approximately \$50 to \$100 per day of their intended stay. This can be demonstrated via:
 - (a) Recent bank statements;
 - (b) Credit card statements with sufficient limits; and/or
 - (c) A letter of guarantee from the sponsor or inviting party.

Accommodation Requirements (Migration Registration)

- **Pre-arrival** : Confirmed hotel bookings or an official invitation from a registered tour operator/host are required when applying for your visa.
- **Post-arrival:**
 - (i) Migration card/slip:** On arrival, the immigration counter issues a migration slip which is required for hotel check-in and migration registration process. This slip must not be lost as one may be required to show it at the immigration counter during exit from Russia.
 - (ii) Migration Registration:** Once the Indian nationals arrive in Russia, their host/hotel must legally register their stay with the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MVD) within 7 business days. Most

hotels handle this automatically upon check-in, but if Indian nationals are staying in a private apartment or Airbnb, the property owner must physically process the "migration registration" at a local post office or MVD branch.

In view of the prevailing situation, all Indian nationals in Russia are advised to remain vigilant and follow the security precautionary measures announced by the local and regional authorities.

Please follow updates on Embassy of India, Moscow website
(<https://indianembassy-moscow.gov.in/index.php>)

& social media channels:

X: https://x.com/IndEmbMoscow?t=rNQkGm3E1_x9bEeS-lWIWA&s=09

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Telegram: <https://t.me/indianembassymoscow>

Instagram :https://www.instagram.com/india_in_russia?igsh=MW80cnd3bnZieWxjMA==

In case of any emergency requirement, the Embassy can be contacted at helpline number +79652773414 (also on WhatsApp) and email ID cons.moscow@mea.gov.in

Indian nationals are strongly advised to avoid joining Russian Army:

The Government of India strongly urges all Indian nationals to stay away from any offers to join the Russian Army as this is a course fraught with danger. Indian nationals are advised to approach the Indian Embassy in Moscow or Indian Consulates in St. Petersburg, Vladivostok, Kazan & Yekaterinburg whenever any agent or person approaches them with offers for joining the Russian Army.
