

Exodus Visa Information Sheet for British Passport Holders

The information below is primarily for UK passport holders, and other nationalities should check with their travel agent or the relevant embassies. We are not responsible for the actions of local immigration and customs officials, whether at points of entry or otherwise, and any subsequent effects.

Country: India
Valid for: 2022/2023
Issue date: May 2022

VISA APPLICATION PROCESS SUMMARY

Visa required in advance:	Yes. The application process also includes a visit to a branch of the Indian High Commission's Visa Facilitation Service (VFS).	
Visa cost:	1 Year (single or multiple entry) validity visa £ 72 plus VFS service charge of £11.57 Plus £3 Consular surcharge (+£108 if using visa service agency CIBT)	
Photo required:	Yes	
Other information needed:	 Yes, supplied by Exodus, details below Duly filled <u>Declaration form</u> (Printed and signed) Photocopy of previous India visa 	
When to apply:	10 to 12 weeks before travel - standard visa	
Processing time	3 – 10 working days – standard visa	

NOTES FOR VISA

UK Nationals will need to apply for your Indian visa through the Indian High Commission's <u>Visa Facilitation Service</u> (VFS).

You can also apply through our recommended visa service agency <u>CIBT</u> who can assist with completing visa forms online as well as arranging and attending appointments on your behalf.

*Clients with a Pakistani passport or of Pakistani descent will need extra time for visa processing.

1. VISA FACILITATION SERVICE (VFS Global)

All applicants applying for a visa through VFS must **complete the <u>online form</u> and have it handed in to a branch of the Indian High Commission's Visa Facilitation Service(VFS) to complete the process. This can either be done in person, via a nominated person on behalf of the applicant or using the service of a visa service agency.

**Filling or submitting the online form on the Government website does not complete the process - you are required to submit the physical application form and supporting documents to the VFS Application Centre.

Completing the online application form includes the requirement to enter two referee details (one at home and one in India) plus details of your start hotel; we provide details below on a trip-by-trip basis. British passport holders whose parents were not born in the UK should contact their nearest Indian Embassy to check the visa application conditions.

The photos required for the visa must measure 2" x 2" (50mmX 50mm) and are available from Snappy Snaps and some Post Office/superstore photo booths.

USING THE INDIA VISA FACILITATION SERVICE (VFS Global)

2 stage process

- 1. Complete the online application form:
 - To apply for the Indian visa, you need to go through the Indian High Commission's Visa Facilitation Service (VFS) website (http://www.vfsglobal.com/India/UK/).
 - Complete the application and declaration forms. You can choose to pay for the visa online or at the appointment.
 - At the end of the online application process, you will need to make an appointment at one of their 14 branches (see below) to submit the application.
- 2. Visit your chosen visa application centre to at the time of the appointment:
 - Submit the documents
 - Pay the visa fee (if not already paid online)
- 3. A family member or nominee is entitled to submit a visa application on behalf of the applicant, provided they have a letter of authorization signed by the applicant

VFS Help line	You can call 020 3793 8629 or 090 5757 0045 (please note this is a premium rate phone number) For more information email info.inuk@vfshelpline.com.
VFS costs	The visa fee is: £72 plus £3 Consular surcharge The VFS service charge is: £11.57 (includes VAT and bank charges) Total cost: £86.57

VISA APPLICATION CENTRE UK LOCATIONS

LONDON	
London - Central	142-148 Goswell Road, London EC1V 7DU (Islington / Barbican)
London - Hounslow	The Visa Centre, First Floor – Part A Block, 50 Salisbury Road, Hounslow. TW4 6JQ

SOUTHWEST AND WALES	
Cardiff	Temple Court - 13a Cathedral Road, Cardiff CF11 9HA

MIDLANDS AND THE NORTH		
Liverpool	Suite 207, Graeme House, Derby Square, Liverpool , L2 7ZH	
Leicester	Peepul Centre, Orchardson Avenue, Leicester, LE4 6DP.	
Birmingham	5 -14 South Road, Smethwick, Birmingham, B67 7BN	
Bradford	Skipton Chamber 16-18 North Parade, Bradford, BD13HT	
Manchester	50 Devonshire Street North, Manchester, M12 6JH	

SCOTLAND AND NI		
Edinburgh	1 Rennie's Isle Leith, Edinburgh, EH6 6QT	
Glasgow	Central Chambers, 2nd floor, Suite 201-202 93 Hope Street, Glasgow, G2 6LD	
Belfast	Merion Business Centre, First Floor,58 Howard Street, Belfast BT1 6PJ	

INFORMATION REQUIRED TO COMPLETE YOUR FORM

If you are travelling on one of our **Tailormade tours**, then please refer to the visa section of your most recent itinerary for information to complete your visa application.

If you are travelling on one of our **Group tours**, then please see below for information to complete your visa application.

You will be asked for a reference in the UK, you should put the name and address of a friend or family member.

You will be asked for details of an inviting organisation or referee and details of accommodation on the visa application form. These vary on a trip-by-trip basis, so please check the list below.

TRIP CODE	TRIP NAME	START HOTEL DETAILS
MIK	Cycle Kerala & Tropical India	Hotel Pai Vista , 35/A Bangalore-Nilgiri road, Mysore, Karnataka, 570001. Phone +91 0821 2521111
MIT	Southern India coast to Coast Ride	Hotel Athithi, No126 S.V Patel Salai Pondicherry 605 001. Phone +91 9789 443186
MIA	Cycle the Coast of Kerala	Casino Hotel, 585 Willingdon Island, Cochin, Kerala- 682003 Phone +91 484 2668 421

Reference in India for all the above:

Mr Ranju Joseph, Pioneer Travels, Pioneer House, G V Iyer Road, Cochin 682003. Tel: +91 484 266 6148

TRIP CODE	TRIP NAME	START HOTEL DETAILS
MIH	Manali to Leh Ride	Hotel Jaypee Siddhartha , 3, Rajendra Place, New Delhi 110008. Phone +91 1125 760000
TGL	In Search of the Snow Leopard	Hotel Regent Grand, East Patel Nagar, Opposite Metro Pillar No 167 New Delhi – 110008 Phone : +91 11 46011111
TBS	Darjeeling Sikkim & the Singalila Ridge	Hotel Jaypee Siddhartha , 3, Rajendra Place, New Delhi 110008. Phone +91 1125 760000
TGV	Peaks of Ladakh	As above
TGR	Ladakh: The Markha Valley	As above
TGS	Source of the Sacred Ganges Trek	Hotel The Great Ganga -Ram Jhula Auto stand, Muni -ki-reti Rishikesh, Uttrakhand 249192 Tel: +91 0135 2442243

Reference in India for all the above:

Mr. Ramesh Wattal, Welcome Travels, 209 Skipper Corner, 88 Nehru Place, New Delhi 110019. Tel: +91 11 2642 4638

TRIP CODE	TRIP NAME	START HOTEL DETAILS
AIC	Highlights of Northern India	Hotel Fort Chandragupt, Near Central Bus Stand, Station Road, Jaipur, Rajasthan Phone +91 141-2206302
AICA	Highlights of Northern India- Summer Departure	Hotel Alwar Bagh, Village Dhwala, Alwar District Jaipur Road, State Highway 13, Alwar, Rajasthan 301001 Phone +91 95875 08444
All	India Grand Tour	Hotel Taj Princess , 15 A/ 25 WEA Ajmal Khan Road, , Karol Bagh,110005 New Delhi. Phone + 91 112574220
AIK	Colors of Rajasthan	Hotel Taj Princess, 15 A/ 25 WEA Ajmal Khan Road, , Karol Bagh,110005 Delhi. Phone + 91 112574220
AIN	Delhi to Kathmandu	Hotel Swati , 15A/56 W. E.A. Ajmal Khan Road,Opp. Rupak Stores, Karol Bagh, New Delhi 110005 Phone +91 11 4500 0200
AIS	South India Explored	Hotel Grand, MG Road, Ernakulum, Kochi 682011, Kerala. Phone: +91 484 238 2061
AIT	The Tropical South	Hotel Abad Atrium, M G Road, Shenoys, Kochi 682035 Kerala Phone: - +91484 2381122
FID	Taj, Tigers & Temples	Hotel Jivitesh, 11 Pusa Road , Opposite Metro Pillar 87, New Delhi 110005 Phone +91 11 4921 4444
AIU	Classic South India	Chariot Beach Resort, Five Ratha Road, Mahabalipuram, Tamilnadu. Phone:- +91 44 2742 5000
EIA	Bazaars & Backwaters in India	Hotel Jivitesh , 11 Pusa Road , Opposite Metro Pillar 87, New Delhi 110005 Phone +91 11 4921 4444
MIJ	Cycling through Rajasthan	Hotel Ashok Country Resort, 30 Rajkore Road, Kapashera, New Delhi 110 037 Phone +91 11 2506 4590
TGK	Spice Trails of Kerala	Hotel Grand, MG Road, Ernakulum, Kochi, 682011, Kerala. Phone: +91 484 238 2061
WIW	India Tiger Safari	Hotel Swati , 15A/56 W. E.A. Ajmal Khan Road,Opp. Rupak Stores, Karol Bagh, New Delhi 110005 Phone +91 11 4500 0200

WKP	India Photography Safari with Paul	Hotel Ashok Country Resort, 30 Rajkore Road, Kapashera, New Delhi 110 037
	Goldstein	Phone +91 11 2506 4590

Reference in India for all the above:

Mr. Mohan Tickoo, Kash Venture Travels (KVT), 805-806 Ansals Kirti Shikhar, District Centre Janakpuri, New Delhi, 110 058. Tel: +91 11 2552 3807

VISA AGENCY ASSISTANCE

Our recommended visa service agency **CIBT can** assist with completing the visa form online as well as arranging and attendingappointments on your behalf.

Normal Process	1. Go to <u>CIBT</u> on the homepage and to the <u>Indian visa application section</u> .	
	Check the documents needed, print off the PDF document attached to it and complete all sections.	
	3. Send your application form, Letter of Authorisation, passport, fee and photographs to the address below.	
Address and contact information	CIBT UK Limited	
	Skyline House, 200 Union Street, London, SE1 OLX	
	0844 800 4650: 0207 5936100 Email: specialservices@cibtvisas.co.uk	
Cost Summary	Visa fee:	
•	5 Days India executive visa service: £144.14	
	Service fee: £72	

EXODUS ASSISTANCE

If you have any questions about this form or the application process, please contact the Operations Executive for India, **Niraj Shrestha** on 020 8772 3922 or niraj.shrestha@exodus.co.uk

You can also contact our Customer Operations team on 020 8772 3747 or email customerops@exodus.co.uk.

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All nationalities require a full passport that must be valid for 6 months beyond the intended length of stay. It is your responsibility to have the correct personal documents and to obtain your own visa, if one is necessary, in accordance with the regulations of the country you are to visit.

If a visa is required prior to travel, it is your responsibility to obtain one. However, we strongly advise you not to do this until your trip has been confirmed as a guaranteed departure. The information above is meant to aid you in getting your visa. Information can change, so if you are at all concerned please check with the embassy or visa service agency, Travcour.