

As on 18 October, 2021

Relaxation on Visa and Travel Restrictions for Foreign Tourists

- (i) Foreign nationals intending to visit India for tourism purposes will be allowed to enter into India on **e-Tourist Visa/Tourist Visa through chartered flights (for group tourism only) from 15 October 2021**;
- (ii) **All individual foreign nationals** intending to travel to India for tourism purposes through Vande Bharat Mission, Air Bubble Scheme or by any scheduled/non-scheduled commercial flights as allowed by the Ministry of Civil Aviation would be permitted to enter India **from 15 November 2021**.
- (iii) The above mentioned **foreign nationals would be required to obtain a fresh e-Tourist/Regular Tourist Visa** from BOI or Missions/Posts abroad.

Existing valid e-Tourist Visa/Regular Tourist Visa continue to remain suspended.

- (iv) Such foreign nationals may be granted **fresh single entry e-Tourist/Regular Tourist visa for 30 days** by BOI/Missions/Posts abroad. First 5 lakh tourist visas will be granted GRATIS. Once the five lakh figure reaches, admissible Tourist Visa fee and ICWF fee should be levied.
- (v) The first five lakh tourist visas on 'Gratis' basis is admissible only once per tourist which needs to be utilised within 120 days from the date of issue of such Visa/ETA.
- (vi) Such foreign nationals shall be permitted to enter India by sea routes or by flights. However, such foreign nationals will not be permitted to enter through land ICPs.
- (vii) All Covid 19 protocols and norms notified by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to be adhered to by foreign tourists, carriers bringing them into India and other stakeholders at landing stations.
