## High Commission of India Canberra

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Dated 17.03.2022

## Subject: RESTORATION OF TOURIST / e-TOURIST VISAS

In view of improvement in COVID situation in India and in pursuance of instructions from Ministry of Home Affairs, the High Commission of India is pleased to announce that:

- (i) e-Tourist Visas (1 month/1 year/5 years) which were suspended since March 2020 stand restored to nationals of 156 countries including Australia and Nauru with immediate effect. Nationals of these countries shall also be eligible for fresh e-Tourist Visa. More details including the List of eligible countries are available at <a href="https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html">https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html</a>
- (ii) Regular (paper) valid Tourist Visas issued to all foreign nationals stand restored with immediate effect.
- (iii) The foreign nationals on Tourist/e-Tourist Visas would be permitted to enter India only through designated Sea Immigration Check Posts (ICPs) or Airport ICPs by flights including those under the Vande Bharat Mission. In no case, foreign nationals will be allowed to enter through Land Border or riverine routes on Tourist/e-Tourist Visas.
- (iv) The Government's scheme to grant Tourist/e-Tourist Visas (with one month stay) to first five hundred thousand foreign tourists on GRATIS basis will continue till further orders.
- (v) In respect of all other COVID-19/health related matters, extant guidelines of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (<a href="www.mohfw.gov.in">www.mohfw.gov.in</a>) shall be adhered to.
- (vi) The Government of India's genuine website to seek E-visas is <a href="https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/">https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/</a> All applicants are advised to use only this website for E-visas.