

Embassy of India Oslo ***

PRESS RELEASE

Please be advised that with effect from January 2, 2024, Embassy of India, Oslo has discontinued its contract with BLS International Services Norway AS and will be handling all Indian Visa services at the Embassy itself.

2. The address of the Visa Section of the Indian Embassy is: Niels Juels Gate 30, PO Box 4055 AMB, 0272, Oslo, Norway. Time: 9 am to 1 pm.

3. Visa section will be open on all working days except on days when Embassy is on holiday. Please check the Embassy Holiday List at <u>https://www.indianembassyoslo.gov.in/page/timing-and-holidays/</u> before visiting the Embassy.

4. All Indian visa seekers are advised NOT to contact BLS International Services Norway AS to submit their visa applications. All those who have already submitted their visa applications to BLS and have not yet received their passports may do so till January 12, 2024. Thereafter, all such applicants are advised to contact the Indian Embassy at the contact details given below to collect their passports.

From January 2, 2024, following may be noted:

5. All visa applicants (for exclusions, please visit the webpage: <u>https://www.indianembassyoslo.gov.in/page/visa/</u>), intending to travel to India for tourism, business, medical (along with attendant) and conference, are encouraged to apply for e-visa through the following link : <u>https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html</u>

6. For all other types of visa, please apply for regular paper visa at the Embassy of India, Oslo. The services of India Visa Application Centre by BLS International Norway AS has been discontinued. Visa applications for regular paper visa will be accepted directly from the applicants at the Visa Section of the Embassy.

7. Please note that the exact details of applying for a regular paper visa are mentioned in the following web-link: <u>https://www.indianembassyoslo.gov.in/page/visa/</u>

8. All applicants, desirous of applying for a regular paper visa, should follow the following five steps:

i. Fill the visa application online at https://indianvisaonline.gov.in

ii. Take a printout of the online filled visa application form and attach all relevant documents

iii. Apply for online appointment at the following Google page: <u>https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PeQAUOJLL5hiYAGAudFWHemIIL0HDHOIfHG</u> <u>KD-dPF1Q/edit#gid=1149496092</u>

iv. Visit the Embassy at the designated time and date and submit the application, requisite documents and fee as well as provide biometric data.

v. Applicants will be informed when the visa will be ready to be collected. Passports can be also dispatched by post, if self addressed prepaid envelope is submitted along with visa application.

9. Please also note that the Embassy does not encourage use of agents for visa purpose.

10. For any enquires, please reach out to the Visa Section and Reception of the Embassy at the contact details given below:

Contact details of Visa Section: Phone : +47-92952877 ; Email - visa.oslo@mea.gov.in

Reception: Phone : +47-92952445 ; Email - reception.oslo@mea.gov.in

11. Please note that the Government of India only issues one year multiple entry ebusiness visa. In case businessmen have regular engagement with India, they may consider applying for a 5 year (regular paper) business visa at the Embassy.
