

India Business e-Visa Guide — How It Differs from the Tourist e-Visa

What counts as business travel, and how stay duration, registration, and fees compare.

WHAT COUNTS AS BUSINESS TRAVEL

- Attending business meetings, trade fairs, or exhibitions
- Short technical or business visits on behalf of an employer
- Activities a regular Business Visa would otherwise cover
- It does NOT cover taking up employment with or being paid directly by an Indian entity — that requires a different visa category entirely

HOW IT DIFFERS FROM THE E-TOURIST VISA

- The allowed continuous stay per visit can run longer than the tourist e-Visa's cap, depending on nationality
- It runs on a separate fee schedule from the tourist e-Visa
- Stays beyond a certain length may require registration with the local FRRO/FRO

Exact per-visit stay limits, registration thresholds, and fees are set by the government and vary by nationality. This page describes the structure of the business e-Visa, not exact numbers — confirm specifics for your nationality on indianvisaonline.gov.in.

APPLYING

- Apply through the same official portal, indianvisaonline.gov.in, selecting the business e-Visa category
- You'll need business-purpose details — the inviting company or organization, and the nature of your visit — in addition to the standard passport and photo requirements
- Apply with the same buffer before travel as you would for a tourist e-Visa

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