



Message from High Commission of India, Canberra

WARNING

The High Commission of India in Canberra and its Consulates in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth have received several complaints from Indian visa seekers who have made online payment for Indian visas on duplicate website masquerading as official online India visa processing site.

As per High Commission's visa process system all applicants must visit www.vfs-in-au.net in Australia and completes online form on the link <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/visa/> provided by Indian Government website which then redirects applicants to respective countries service providers site for appointment and payments (if available).

It is observed that some miscreant unlawfully has created site with form and payment gateway similar to NIC Government of India website and it is coming on top of the list when anybody is searching for Indian Visa.

Action had been taken in this regard and the offending website was shut down and the Google search rectified. However, it is now appears that the same website has started functioning with a new URL and the URL address is frequently changed. It appears the current fake website is registered in the UK.

The Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade, Government of Australia has also been informed about these activities and requested to take up this matter with the Cyber Crime Law Enforcement Agencies.

It is suggested that all visa seekers may take necessary precaution while submitting visa application online and making payment. It is pertinent to mention here that the High Commission of India and its authorized outsourcing company M/s VFS India would not be held responsible for any such incident.