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VFS Global launches Bulgaria long-term visa services in India with state-of-the-art centres in 6 major cities

- *Starting 1 November 2025, Bulgaria long-term visa (D visa) applicants in India will be able to submit their applications with ease at our visa application centre in New Delhi.*
- *Appointment slots for our centres in Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Kolkata, and Mumbai will also open from around mid-November.*
- *Applicants can visit <https://visa.vfsglobal.com/ind/en/bgr> to register and secure an appointment slot to submit their applications with ease.*
- *Applicants also get a host of additional services including Visa At Your Doorstep, Premium Lounge, Prime Time collection and submission, Courier, SMS, and Form Filling among others for an added convenience.*

The Embassy of Bulgaria in New Delhi and VFS Global, the global leader in trusted technology services, empowering secure mobility for governments and citizens, have announced the launch of long-term visa (D visa) services in India through strategically located state-of-the-art visa application centres in six major cities – Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Kolkata, Mumbai, and New Delhi – making the services more accessible by removing the need for applicants to visit the Embassy of Bulgaria in New Delhi.

The addendum was signed between H.E. Dr. Nikolay Yankov, Ambassador of Bulgaria to India, and Ms. Yummi Talwar, Chief Operating Officer – South Asia, VFS Global, at the Embassy of Bulgaria in New Delhi on 24 October 2025.

Starting 1 November 2025, Bulgaria long-term visa (D visa) applicants in India will be able to submit their applications at our Bulgaria Visa Application Centre in New Delhi by booking a prior appointment online. Appointment slots for our Bulgaria Visa Application Centres in Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Kolkata, and Mumbai will also open from mid-November. Applicants can visit <https://visa.vfsglobal.com/ind/en/bgr> to register and secure an appointment slot to submit their applications with ease.

H.E. Dr. Nikolay Yankov, Ambassador of Bulgaria to India, said, "The launch of Bulgaria's long-term visa services across India marks an important step in strengthening the people-to-people and business ties between our two countries. This initiative will make the application process simpler and more accessible for Indian citizens planning to travel to Bulgaria for study, work, or family reasons, further deepening the connections between our nations. With VFS Global already managing short-term visa (C visa) services for Bulgaria, this expansion ensures applicants can now conveniently access the full range of visa categories through a trusted partner, without the need to travel to New Delhi."

Ms. Yummi Talwar, Chief Operating Officer – South Asia, VFS Global, said, "Our long-standing association with the Government of Bulgaria since 2008 has been built on trust and service excellence. And we are honoured to further strengthen our partnership by extending our support to long-term visa services in India. The introduction of Bulgaria's long-term visa services through our centres across India will greatly enhance convenience for applicants, who can now complete the process closer to home. We remain committed to delivering efficient and trusted services on behalf of the Government of Bulgaria."

Applicants get an option to choose from a range of optional and additional services to enhance their overall visa application submission experience such as Visa At Your Doorstep, Premium Lounge, Prime Time collection and submission, Courier, SMS, and Form Filling among others. It is important to note that opting for these additional services does not have any bearing on the timeline or decision on visa applications.

VFS Global has been a trusted partner for the Government of Bulgaria for visa processing services since 2008. The company offers visa services on behalf of the Government of Bulgaria across 31 countries through a network of 116 dedicated visa application centres globally.

VFS Global's role in the visa application process is limited to front-end administrative tasks only, which include collecting visa application forms, required documentation as per the checklist, and enroll biometrics. VFS Global has no role in the decision-making process of granting or refusing a visa. Decision making on the granting or refusal of visa is the sole prerogative and sole responsibility of the Embassy within the Schengen coordination system.

Bulgaria Visa Application Centres in India for Long-Term Visa category:

- **Ahmedabad:** Ground Floor, Shree Balaji Agora Mall, Between Tapovan & Bhat Circle, 200 Ft, Sardar Patel Ring Road, Motera
- **Bengaluru:** 22, Gopalan Innovation Mall, Bannerghatta Main Rd, Sarakki Industrial Layout, 3rd Phase, J. P. Nagar
- **Chennai:** Ramee Mall, 2nd Floor, No. 365, Anna Salai, Teynampet
- **Kolkata:** 5th Floor, Rene Tower, Plot No. AA-I, 1842, Rajdanga Main Road, Kasba
- **Mumbai:** Trade Centre, First Floor, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East)
- **New Delhi:** Mezzanine Floor, Baba Khark Singh Marg, Shivaji Stadium Metro Station, Connaught Place

For more information, please visit <https://visa.vfsglobal.com/ind/en/bgr>.

About VFS Global

As the global leader in trusted technology services, empowering secure mobility for governments and citizens, VFS Global embraces technological innovation including Generative AI to support governments and diplomatic missions worldwide. The company manages non-judgmental and administrative tasks related to applications for visa, passport, and consular services for its client governments, increasing productivity and enabling them to focus entirely on the critical task of assessment.

With a responsible approach to technology development, adoption and integration, the company prioritizes ethical practices and sustainability while serving as the trusted partner to 69 client governments. Operating over 3,900 Application Centres in 165 countries, VFS Global has efficiently processed more than 514 million transactions* since 2001.

Headquartered in Zurich and Dubai and majority owned through investment funds managed by Blackstone Inc, along with minority stakeholders including Swiss-based Kuoni and HUGOBLOCH Foundation.

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