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VFS Global launches UK Premium Application Centre in Bhopal; adds to network in non-metro cities

Residents of Bhopal will now be able to apply for their UK visas close to home. VFS Global has opened the doors to its Premium Application Centre at Taj Lakefront, Bhopal on 17 June 2025, its 13th Premium Application Centre in a non-metro city.

VFS Global operates 12 other UK Premium Application Centres in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities across India.

The centres are located at Radisson Blu hotels in Amritsar, Guwahati, Indore, Nagpur and Noida, the Gateway hotel in Calicut, VFS Global office in Coimbatore, Ibis Thane, Hotel Vivanta Mangalore, Hotel Green Park Vishakhapatnam, The Leela Grand Hotel, Karnal, and Park Inn, Surat.

Customers can also opt for one of two exclusive packages for an enhanced UK visa application experience - Comfort Plus and Convenience Plus. Comfort Plus gives customers access to the Premium Lounge, doorstep delivery of passports, SMS updates, and assistance with uploading their documents.

Under the Convenience Plus Service, customers can enjoy Flexi Appointments, allowing them to book appointments at their preferred time, and the Keep My Passport service, which enables them to retain their passports while their applications are being processed. In addition, they will receive doorstep delivery of passports, SMS updates, and assistance in uploading their documents.

Speaking on the enhanced service, **Yummi Talwar, Chief Operating Officer, South Asia, VFS Global**, said, "Our commitment has always been to deliver efficient, seamless service to our customers, and the opening of the TSPs is designed to bring convenience by enabling them to access an application centre closest to their location. Beyond this, our value-added services are designed to elevate their journey, offering an enriched experience that reflects our dedication to excellence and innovation."

Appointments for these Premium Application Centres are similar to those made when applying at the Visa Application Centre. To book an appointment, customers must visit our website at www.vfsglobal.com.

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.



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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 3,600 Application Centres in 158 countries, VFS Global has efficiently processed more than 311 million applications 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 Hugentobler Foundation.

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