

Mobility: Immigration alert

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India

India resumes processing Business and Conference Visa applications from Canadian nationals

Executive summary

The Indian High Commission in Ottawa, Canada, announced that effective 26 October 2023, it resumed processing applications from eligible Canadian nationals for Business and Conference Visas, among others.

Key developments

In a press release dated 25 October 2023, the Indian High Commission in Ottawa confirmed it is also accepting applications from eligible Canadian nationals for Entry Visas and Medical Visas. The press release added that emergency cases will continue to be reviewed by the Indian High Commission and Indian consulates in Canada, and further updates would be announced as appropriate.

The Indian Ministry of External Affairs had [suspended](#) the issuance of all visas to Canadian nationals effective 21 September 2023. Issuance of Employment and Tourist Visas to Canadian nationals remains suspended.

Impact on employers

This development is expected to benefit employers that seek to send Canadian employees to India for business purposes or to attend conferences.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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