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IMMIGRATION TO INDONESIA

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THE SYSTEM OF IMMIGRATION IN INDONESIA



The immigration authority of Indonesia is the Directorate General of Immigration, which operates under the Ministry of Law and Human Rights. The Directorate General of Immigration is responsible for formulating and implementing immigration policies, as well as regulating and controlling the entry, stay and exit of foreign nationals in Indonesia.

The Directorate General of Immigration handles visa applications, extensions, and other immigration-related services. It establishes and enforces the requirements for various visa categories and processes the necessary documentation. The immigration authority is responsible for maintaining effective border control and security. This involves screening and inspecting travelers at ports of entry, such as airports, seaports, and land border checkpoints, to ensure compliance with immigration laws and regulations.

The Directorate General of Immigration conducts immigration enforcement activities to prevent illegal immigration, detect fraudulent activities and apprehend individuals who violate immigration laws. It works in collaboration with other law enforcement agencies to maintain the integrity of Indonesia's immigration system.

The Directorate General of Immigration engages in international cooperation and collaboration with other countries and international organizations on immigration matters. The Directorate General of Immigration has various regional offices and immigration offices located throughout Indonesia.

PURPOSES OF IMMIGRATION TO INDONESIA

There are different purposes for which a person can immigrate to Indonesia. Some of the most common reasons include:

Tourism: Many people visit Indonesia to explore its beautiful beaches, scenic landscapes, and rich cultural heritage. Tourists can obtain a Visit Visa or Visa on Arrival to enter Indonesia for a maximum of 30 days.

Business: Indonesia is a popular destination for business travelers who wish to explore investment opportunities or establish business connections.

Study: Indonesia offers a range of study opportunities for international students, including undergraduate and postgraduate programs, language courses and cultural studies.

Work: Indonesia has a growing economy and a demand for skilled professionals in various industries. Foreigners who wish to work in Indonesia must obtain a Work Visa and a Work Permit.

Investment: Foreign investors who wish to invest in Indonesia can obtain an Investor KITAS (Permanent Stay Permit for Investors) or Investor Visa.

Marriage: Foreigners who wish to marry an Indonesian citizen can obtain a Spouse KITAS or Spouse Visa.



TYPES OF VISAS



Tourist Visa

Many people visit Indonesia to explore its beautiful beaches, scenic landscapes and rich cultural heritage. Tourists can obtain a Visit Visa or Visa on Arrival to enter Indonesia for a maximum of 30 days, with the option to extend their stay for another 30 days.

Investment Visa

Foreign investors who wish to invest in Indonesia can obtain a Investor KITAS (Permanent Stay Permit for Investors) or Investor Visa. These permits allow investors to stay in Indonesia for a longer period and conduct business activities.

Business Visa

Indonesia is a popular destination for business travelers who wish to explore investment opportunities or establish business connections. Business travelers can obtain a Business Visa, which is valid for a maximum of 60 days with the option to extend for up to 6 months.

Working Visa

Indonesia has a growing economy and a demand for skilled professionals in various industries. Foreigners who wish to work in Indonesia must obtain a Work Visa and a Work Permit, which are valid for up to 12 months with the option to extend.

Study Visa

Indonesia offers a range of study opportunities for international students, including undergraduate and postgraduate programs, language courses, and cultural studies. Students can obtain a Social/Cultural Visa, which is valid for up to 60 days and can be extended up to four times.

Temporary Stay Permit (KITAS)

This permit is for foreigners who wish to stay in Indonesia for a longer period of time, such as for work or study purposes. The permit is valid for up to 2 years and can be extended up to 5 years.

Permanent Stay Permit (KITAP)

This permit is for foreigners who have been living in Indonesia for a certain period of time and wish to stay permanently. The permit is valid for up to 5 years and can be extended indefinitely.

Transit Visa

Indonesia offers transit visas for travelers who are passing through the country en route to their final destination. The transit visa is typically valid for a maximum of 72 hours (3 days). This means you must depart within 72 hours of your arrival.

Research Visa

1. The research visa is granted to individuals who plan to undertake research activities, including academic research, fieldwork, or collaborative research projects, in Indonesia. The research visa allows for an extended stay in Indonesia, typically ranging from several months to a year, depending on the nature and duration of your research project.

Religious Visa

The religious activities visa is designed for individuals who plan to engage in religious activities, such as preaching, missionary work, teaching religious doctrines, or participating in religious ceremonies, in Indonesia. The duration of the visa can vary depending on the specific circumstances and the approval of the Indonesian authorities.



LICENSES AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR IMMIGRATION



Tourist Visa

To apply for a tourist visa in Indonesia, you will typically need the following documents:

- Evidence of your accommodation arrangements in Indonesia;
- Proof of sufficient funds to cover your expenses during your stay in Indonesia;
- A copy of the insurance policy or certificate may be required;
- A letter explaining the purpose of your visit with an outline of your travel plans or a detailed itinerary; and
- Additional documents that you may need include a copy of your employment letter, proof of enrollment in an educational institution (for students), or any other supporting documents that show your ties to your home country and your intention to return.

Investment Visa

To apply for an investment visa in Indonesia, commonly known as an "Investor KITAS" (Kartu Izin Tinggal Terbatas), you will typically need the following documents:

- A valid passport with a minimum of six months validity beyond your intended stay in Indonesia. The passport should have at least two blank pages for visa stamps.
- A completed visa application form, which can usually be obtained from the Indonesian embassy or consulate in your home country or filled out online, if available.
- Recent passport-sized color photographs that meet the specifications set by the Indonesian embassy or consulate.
- A comprehensive investment plan outlining your proposed investment activities in Indonesia.
- Evidence of sufficient funds to support your investment activities in Indonesia. This can include bank statements, financial statements, or any other documents that demonstrate your financial capacity.
- A letter of sponsorship or support from an Indonesian government institution or agency, such as the Investment Coordinating Board (BKPM) or the Ministry of Trade.
- A police clearance certificate or criminal background check issued by the authorities in your home country or any other country where you have resided for a significant period.

Business Visa

To apply for a business visa in Indonesia, commonly known as a "Business Visit Visa" or "Business Visa (Single/Multiple Entry)," you will typically need the following documents:

- A valid passport with a minimum of six months validity beyond your intended stay in Indonesia;
- A completed visa application form;
- A letter of invitation from an Indonesian company or organization. The invitation letter should include details such as the purpose of your visit, the duration of your stay, the name and address of the inviting company and a statement of responsibility for your accommodation and expenses during your stay; and
- Proof of confirmed round-trip flight tickets or travel itinerary showing your entry and exit dates from Indonesia.

Working Visa

The documents a person needs when he applies for an Indonesia Work Visa at the Indonesian Department of Immigration are:

- A valid passport with a minimum of six months validity beyond your intended stay in Indonesia;
- A completed visa application form;
- Recent passport-sized color photographs that meet the specifications set by the Indonesian embassy or consulate;
- letter of employment or an employment contract from an Indonesian company or organization that will be your employer in Indonesia;
- Approval from the Ministry of Manpower in Indonesia; and
- Additional documents may be requested by the Indonesian immigration authorities.

Study Visa

To apply for a study visa in Indonesia, commonly known as a "Student Visa" or "Student KITAS" (Kartu Izin Tinggal Terbatas), you will typically need the following documents:

- A valid passport with a minimum of six months validity beyond your intended stay in Indonesia;
- A completed visa application form;
- Recent passport-sized color photographs that meet the specifications set by the Indonesian embassy or consulate;
- A study plan outlining the courses or program you will be pursuing in Indonesia, along with details of the curriculum and educational objectives;
- A health certificate issued by a recognized medical institution;
- If you are under 18 years old, you may need to provide a letter of consent from your parents or legal guardian allowing you to study in Indonesia; and
- Additional documents may be requested by the Indonesian immigration authorities.



Temporary Stay Permit (KITAS)

To apply for a Temporary Stay Permit (KITAS) visa in Indonesia, following documents are required:

- A valid passport with a minimum of six months validity beyond your intended stay in Indonesia;
- A completed visa application form;
- Recent passport-sized color photographs that meet the specifications set by the Indonesian embassy or consulate;
- If you are applying for a working KITAS, you will need to provide employment-related documents;
- If you are applying for a study KITAS, you will need to provide study-related documents;
- A health certificate issued by a recognized medical institution;
- Financial proof, police clearance and accommodation proof is also required; and
- Additional documents may be requested by the Indonesian immigration authorities.

Permanent Stay Permit (KITAP)

To apply for a Permanent Stay Permit (KITAP) visa in Indonesia, the following documents are required:

- A valid passport with at least 18 months of validity remaining;
- A completed visa application form;
- Recent passport-sized color photographs that meet the specifications set by the Indonesian embassy or consulate;
- Copies of your identity documents, such as a birth certificate or national identification card;
- If you already have a KITAP, you will need to provide the original document;
- If you are applying for a study KITAP, you will need to provide study-related documents;
- A health certificate issued by a recognized medical institution;
- Submit your tax identification number (NPWP) and related tax documents, such as a tax payment slip;
- A letter of recommendation from the Indonesian government;
- Financial proof, police clearance and accommodation proof are also required; and
- Additional documents may be requested by the Indonesian immigration authorities.

Transit Visa

To apply for a Transit visa in Indonesia, the following documents are required:

- A valid passport with a minimum of six months validity beyond your intended stay in Indonesia;
- A completed visa application form;
- Recent passport-sized color photographs that meet the specifications set by the Indonesian embassy or consulate;
- If you require a visa for the country you are traveling to after your transit in Indonesia, provide a copy of that visa;
- If you are traveling to a third country after Indonesia, provide a copy of the visa or permit for that destination;
- Provide proof of valid travel insurance coverage for the duration of your transit;
- A health certificate issued by a recognized medical institution;
- Financial proof, police clearance and accommodation proof is also required; and
- Additional documents may be requested by the Indonesian immigration authorities.



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA



- The applicant must have valid and good intentions behind travelling to the country.
- The applicant must possess sufficient funds to support himself and any dependents throughout the stay.
- The applicant must have a criminal track record and be a good character. The applicant may have to provide Police Clearance Certificate (“PCC”) for the same.
- The applicant must at least meet the minimum health requirements required by the authorities and medical examination and obtaining health insurance coverage is also required.
- Indian nationals are eligible for visa-on-arrival and there are other countries as well which are eligible for visa-free entry.

GUIDELINES



- Indian citizens are eligible for a visa exemption if they are traveling to Indonesia for tourism purposes and plan to stay for a maximum of 30 days.
- The visa exemption is not extendable and cannot be converted into another type of visa.
- If Indian citizens plan to stay in Indonesia for more than 30 days or for non-tourism purposes, they may be eligible for a Visa-on-Arrival ("VoA").
- The VoA allows a stay of up to 30 days and it can be extended for another 30 days while in Indonesia.
- Indian citizens can obtain the VoA upon arrival at designated entry points in Indonesia, such as airports and seaports. They will need to pay the visa fee in cash.
- For longer stays or specific purposes such as business, education, social or cultural visits, Indian citizens may need to apply for a visit visa (also known as a single-entry visa) before traveling to Indonesia.
- The visit visa typically allows a stay of up to 60 days and can be extended in Indonesia if necessary.

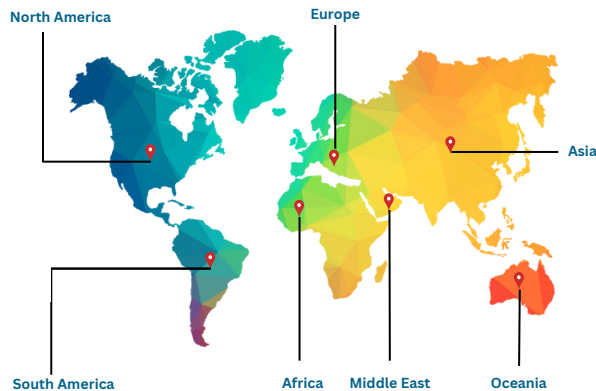
HOW WE CAN HELP?



At Chandrawat & Partners, we provide full-service immigration law services including visa applications, sponsorship applications, interview preparation, appeals process and general counseling. Some of the services provided by our team are as follows:

- We work to help our clients apply for visas across the spectrum like employment, education, entertainment, business and tourist visas.
- We also work with the internal application processes to ensure full compliance with the law.
- We can assist clients with single or multiple-entry business visas, social visas, visa-on-arrival, and visit visa extensions.
- Our team of lawyers can assist clients in immigration audits, deportation cases, detainment cases and administrative court cases.
- We provide Immigration solutions with only the most qualified and best-trained lawyers.

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