

FAQs on Visa on Arrival (VoA) for UAE nationals

1. Is VoA facility available to all the UAE Nationals ?

- VoA will be available only to those UAE nationals, who had earlier obtained e-Visa or regular paper visa for India irrespective of whether the person has visited India or not.
- Those UAE nationals going to India for the first time are advised to apply for e-Visa or a regular paper visa; and during subsequent visits, they can avail VoA facility.
- VoA facility will not be available to UAE nationals of Pakistani Origin. That is, this facility is not available to any person if he/she or either of his/her parents or grandparents (paternal or maternal) was born in or was a permanent resident of Pakistan. Such persons can visit India only after obtaining appropriate visa from the Embassy of India, Abu Dhabi <http://www.indembassyuae.gov.in/> or Consulate General of India, Dubai <https://www.cgidubai.gov.in/>

2. What are the other conditions to avail the VoA facility?

- i. Passport should be valid for at least 6 (Six) months or more;
- ii. The passport should contain at least 2 (Two) blank pages;
- iii. The visitor should also possess a return / onward journey ticket and should have sufficient money to spend in India during his / her stay in India; and
- iv. The visitor should not have a residence or occupation in India.

3. If I have renewed my passport and the new passport does not carry old Indian regular paper visa, am I still eligible to get VoA ?

Yes, provided you had earlier obtained an e-Visa or a regular paper visa for India irrespective of whether you had visited India or not.

4. Please explain what categories of visas are available under VoA?

VoA is available for business, tourism, conference and medical purposes.

5. How long can I stay in India with a VoA?

You can stay for upto 60 days or make two visits within a 60 day period upon getting a double entry VoA valid upto 60 days.

6. Which airports in India provide VoA facility ?

The facility of VoA is made available at 6 (Six) designated International airports in India. They are Bangalore, Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Mumbai.

7. Is there any application form to be filled ?

Yes. The visitor is required to submit duly filled in VoA application form along with duly filled in Disembarkation Card. The format of the VoA application form is available at <https://boi.gov.in/sites/default/files/Annexure-I.pdf> which can be downloaded, printed and presented to the visa officer at the visa counter upon arrival. The VoA application form will also be made available by the airlines concerned on board.

8. What is the visa fee charged ?

A fee of Indian Rupees ₹ 2,000/- or equivalent in foreign currency per passenger (including children) will be charged before issuing visa.

9. How many times in a year a person can avail this facility ?

There is no restriction on the number of times a person can avail this facility.