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1. **Where to reach out to for consultation on health**

Various helpline no’s have been opened by Government of Bangladesh for enquiries and consultation regarding Covid19. IEDCR is the nodal agency in Bangladesh for Covid19 testing. They are reachable via their helpline, e-mail.

- Health Enquiries & Consultation : **333 & 16263**
- IEDCR helpline: **10655 & 01944333222**
- IEDCR e-mail: iedcrcovid19@gmail.com
- IEDCR Facebook page: https://m.facebook.com/iedcrCOVID-19-Control-Room-104339737849330/
- Government of Bangladesh’s Dashboard on Covid19: https://corona.gov.bd

2. **How to reach out to High Commission of India, Dhaka**

High Commission of India’s helpline no’s are available 24X7. We can also be reached through our Facebook, Twitter & Instagram pages.

- Our helpline no’s: **+8801938858442, +8801938858443**
- Facebook: @IndiaInBangladesh
- Twitter: @ihcdhaka
- Instagram: hcidhaka
3. **Concerns about Expiring Bangladesh Visa**

- Government of Bangladesh had announced that Foreign nationals with valid visas staying in Bangladesh will have the option of extending their existing visas by 3 months.
- Extension of Visa & maximum duration of single stay can be done through all Divisional Passport and Visa offices of Department of Immigration & Passport, Government of Bangladesh.
- Please see Department of Immigration & Passport (Govt of Bangladesh) website for details: http://dip.gov.bd/site/page/0b199b01-3cae-4245-9c5c-e0b51cb456f9/?fbclid=IwAR2w4tfYyBJDp4WYPNmrP2ijjN1KmPTMMxSWzkYrywrCBT63t5w- psWOjUN0
- Please note that Government of Bangladesh has announced public holidays till April 25. Applicants may look to avail services from Department of Immigration & Passports accordingly.

4. **Consular Services for Indian Citizens:**

- Indian citizens in Bangladesh may please note that owing to measures undertaken in the wake of Covid19, consular services except emergency services remain suspended until further notice.
- In case of emergency, please write an e-mail citing the reason/justification clearly for obtaining a prior appointment. Email addresses to write to: cons3.dhaka@mea.gov.in, cons1.dhaka@mea.gov.in & cons.dhaka@mea.gov.in

5. **International Flights To/From India:**

- Government of India has decided that all scheduled international commercial passenger services shall remain closed till **May 3, 2020 23:59 Hrs IST**.
- All scheduled domestic airline operations remain suspended as well.
- This restriction does not apply to international cargo operations.

6. **Land ports of India & Indian Railways**

- Government of India has suspended all incoming passenger traffic to India through all Immigration Check Posts including through all land ports until further notice.
• Vehicles carrying goods for trade or essential goods and supplies are exempted. However, their crew - driver, cleaner, helper, etc will be subjected to medical screening.
• All transport services including railways & roadways for regular passenger movement remain suspended.

7. **International Flights in Bangladesh:**

• No scheduled International Commercial Passenger Flights from India and other countries (Bahrain, Bhutan, HongKong, Kuwait, Malaysia, Maldives, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Singapore, Thailand, Turkey, UAE & UK) shall be allowed to land at any international airport of Bangladesh till 30 April 2020, 23:59 Hrs.

8. **Public Holidays in Bangladesh**

• General Holidays have been extended till 25 April 2020.
• Everyone is requested to stay at home and avoid non-essential movement
• Movement of persons after 6PM has been disallowed.
• Essential goods & services will continue to be available including kitchen markets, food shops, pharmacies and hospitals

9. **Foreigners presently in India - Status of Indian Visa**

• Ministry for Home Affairs has granted consular services on gratis basis to foreign nationals, presently residing in India due to travel restrictions in the context of COVID-19, till 30th April, 2020.
• Regular visa, e-visa or stay stipulation, of such foreign nationals who have been stranded in India because of lockdown & travel restrictions in India and whose Visas have expired or would be expiring during 01.02.2020 (Midnight) to 30.04.2020 (Midnight), would be extended till 30th April 2020 (Midnight) on GRATIS basis (free of cost), after making online application by the Foreigner.

Dhaka
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