

The Government of India has conveyed the following notice to the Diplomatic Missions in India with regard to the extension of the validity period of the visas of foreign nationals who are stranded in India due to COVID-19:

***“Regular Visa, e-Visa or stay stipulation of period of foreign nationals stranded in India due to Covid-19 may be considered as deemed to be valid till 31 August 2021 on gratis basis without levy of any overstay penalty. Such foreign nationals would NOT be required to submit any application to Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO)/Foreigners Regional Office (FRO) concerned for extension of their visas. Before exiting the country, such foreign nationals may apply for an Exit Permission, which would be granted by the FRRO/FRO concerned on gratis basis without levy of any overstay penalty”.***