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**PRESS RELEASE**

 The visa work of the Embassy has been outsourced to M/s CKGS, Kuwait since August 2014 and applicants can visit one of the three Passport and Visa Centres of CKGS located at:-

1. 17th Floor, Behbahani Building, Sharq, Kuwait: Tel. No. 22440392 (e-mail: indiavisa.kuwait@ckgs.com ) ;
2. Complex Kais Alghanim, 4th Floor, Mecca Street, in front of Annod Complex, Fahaheel, Kuwait: Tel. No. 22909229 ( e-mail: indiavisa.kuwait@ckgs.com);
3. Jleeb Al Showaikh (Abbasiya), 2nd Floor, Jleeb Al Shuyoukh Block 1, Street 1, Xcite building, Kuwait Tel. No. 24342428) (e-mail: indiavisa.kuwait@ckgs.com). The website of CKGS, Kuwait is <http://www.kw.ckgs.in/>

2. Visa fee Payable by Kuwaiti nationals is as under :-

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| **S. No.** | **Type of Visa** | **Duration** | **Total Visa fees****KD** |
| i) | Tourist visa | 6-month/multiple entry | 17.250 |
| ii) | Business visa | 1- year/ multiple entry | 42.250 |
| iii) | Business visa | 5- year/multiple entry  | 67.250 |
| iv) | Transit visa | 15-days single/double entry | 11.250 |
| v) | Student visa | 1- year/triple entry  | 28.250 |
| vi) | Medical visa | 1- year /multiple entry  | 42.250 |
| vii) | Medical visa | 6- month/multiple entry | 29.250 |
| viii) | Employment visa | upto 1- year/multiple entry  | 42.250 |
| ix) | Employment visa | upto 5- year/multiple entry  | 67.250 |

 All visas are issued within 72-hour (i.e. on 3rd working days) to Kuwaiti nationals, except those requiring referral to India/elsewhere.

3. Similar visa fee structure is applicable to the nationals of Egypt, Syria, Iraq and Saudi Arabia seeking Indian visas.

4. Further, Indian visa fee structure varies from country- to- country. For example, visa fee for USA nationals is as under;

Visa fee for USA national

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| **S. No.** | **Type of visa** | **Duration** | **Total Visa fee****KD** |
| i) | Tourist visa  | Maximum 10- year | 39.250 |
| ii) | Business Visa | Up to 1- year | 54.250 |
| iii) | Business Visa | Up to 5- year | 79.250 |
| iv) | Employment visa | Up to 6- month | 39.250 |
| v) | Employment Visa | Up to 1- year | 49.250 |
| vi) | Employment visa | Up to 5- year | 74.250 |

5. Please note that visas are issued to the nationals of following countries without nominal visa fees: Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Argentina and South Africa. Nationals of Nepal and Bhutan do not require Indian visas.

6. In case of emergency, the Embassy is accepting visa applications directly at its Visa Wing (Diplomatic Enclave, Arabian Gulf Street, Safat-13015) from the applicants. Applicants who desire the visa same day have to pay an extra fee of KD 12, in addition to normal visa fee**.** For any query/clarification please contact Telephone No. 22530600/Ext-279 or Mr K. K. Pahel, First Secretary (Consular) at mobile no. 97229948**.**

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