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Media Notice
Department of Immigration and Emigration

Services are being provided calling minimum staff under this Covid -19 Pandemic. Accordingly, the **Battaramulla Head Office** is open for the issuance of **passport** in case of an emergency and the Regional Offices in Kandy, Vavuniya, Matara and Kurunegala are open for the public who may have the essential service requirements to visit the Regional Offices subject to travel restrictions.

The periods of validity of **visas of all categories** obtained by the foreigners who have already visited Sri Lanka have been **extended by 60 days with effect from 11th May, 2021 up to 09th July, 2021**. Only Visa fees applicable for that period will be charged for the Visas expire within this period and exempted from charging overstay penalty.

- **Instructions for Tourist Visa holders to get endorsed visas:**

Accordingly, Tourist Visa holders can follow one of the methodologies to make payment for the extension of visa and to get visa endorsement.

1. To obtain Tourist visa, tourist visa holders are hereby advise to pay the relevant visa fee and get the visa extension via the below mentioned link on or before 09th July 2021 <https://eservices.immigration.gov.lk/vs> or,
2. If you intend to leave the island during the aforementioned period, your journey will be also facilitated by paying the relevant visa fee at the Airport or,
3. By visiting the office at Battaramulla on or before 09th July 2021 and get endorsed the visa in the passport by making the relevant Visa fees.

- **Instructions for Resident Visa holders**

Extension of Visa with effect from 11th May, 2021 up to 09th July, 2021 is applicable to all Resident Visa holders, too. To get extended the visa before that date, contact 0707101050 from 8.30 am to 3.00 pm on working days to make an appointment and visa endorsement shall be obtained visiting the office at Battaramulla on or before 09th July, 2021 and making payment the relevant visa fees.

You are kindly requested to seek instructions on essential services contacting the relevant Branches through under mentioned Telephone Nos. or email addresses between 8.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. on working days.

Division	Telephone No.
Travel Division – Battaramulla Head Office	0707101060, 0707101070
Citizenship Division – Battaramulla Head Office	0707101030
Overseas Missions Branch – Battaramulla Office	0115329233, 0115329235
Visa Division– Battaramulla Head Office	0707101050
Ports Branch– Battaramulla Head Office	0777782505
Matara Regional Office	041-5412212, 041-5104444
Vavuniya Regional Office	025-5676344, 025-5676345
Kurunegala Regional Office	037-5550562, 037-5550563
Kandy Regional Office	081-5624509, 081-5624470
General Information and instructions	www.immigration.gov.lk

Important:

- Provision of services in the pandemic situation is subjected to policy decisions of the Government made from time to time, curfew or travel restrictions and the decisions of health and security sections. Therefore, you are notified that the decisions to provide service are also subjected to time to time revisions.

Controller General
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