

Foreign Tourist Inflow to India December 2018

Ministry of Tourism compiles monthly Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) & FTAs on e-Tourist Visa on the basis of information received from Bureau of Immigration (BOI). The following are the important highlights regarding FTAs and FTAs on e-Tourist Visa during the month of December, 2018:

Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs):

- FTAs in December 2018 were 11,91,472 as compared to 11,67,840 in December 2017 registering a growth of 2.0%.
- FTAs during the period January-December 2018 were 1,05,57,929 as compared to 1,00,35,803 in January-December 2017 registering a growth of 5.2%.
- The percentage share of Foreign Tourist Arrivals in India during December 2018 among the top 15 source countries was highest from USA (17.83%) followed by Bangladesh (16.64%), UK (10.70%), Australia (5.72%), Canada (3.89%), Russian Fed (3.15%), China (2.78%), Malaysia (2.73%), Germany (2.16%), Sri Lanka (2.04%), Singapore (2.00%), Thailand (1.90%) France (1.83%), Japan (1.75%) and Italy (1.50%).
- The percentage share of Foreign Tourist Arrivals in India during December 2018 among the top 15 ports was highest at Delhi Airport (27.33%) followed by Mumbai Airport (17.91%), Haridaspur Land Check Post (7.53%), Chennai Airport (6.74%), Bengaluru Airport (5.61%), Kolkata Airport (5.22%), Goa Airport (4.59%), Hyderabad Airport (3.42%), Cochin Airport (3.32%), Ahmedabad Airport (2.64%), Gede Rail Land Check Post (1.73%), Trivandrum Airport (1.47%), Amritsar Airport (1.28%), Sonauli Land Check Post (1.27%) and Tiruchirappalli Airport (1.17%).

FTAs on e-Tourist Visa:

- During the month of December, 2018 total of 3,08,430 tourist arrived on e-Tourist Visa as compared to 2,40,560 during the month of December, 2017 registering a growth of 28.2%.
- During January-December 2018, a total of 23,69,941 foreign tourist arrived on e-Tourist Visa as compared to 16,97,175 during January-December 2017, registering a growth of 39.6%.
- The percentage shares of top 15 source countries availing e-Tourist Visa facilities during December, 2018 were highest from UK (15.94%), followed by USA (14.68%), China (6.72%), Australia (4.84%), Canada (4.60%), Thailand (4.01%), France (3.85%), Germany (3.78%), Italy (3.41%), Russian Fed.(3.02), Malaysia (2.87%), South Africa (2.60%), Singapore (2.09%), Spain (1.39%) and New Zealand (1.37%).
- The percentage shares of top 15 ports in tourist arrivals on e-Tourist Visa during December 2018 were highest from New Delhi Airport (37.6%), followed by Mumbai Airport (20.3%), Dabolim (Goa) Airport (7.7%), Chennai Airport (6.4%), Bengaluru Airport (5.8%), Kochi Airport (3.5%), Kolkata Airport (2.9%), Hyderabad Airport (2.8%), Sonauli Land Checkpost (2.0%), Gaya Airport (1.6%), Ahmedabad Airport (1.6%), Trivandrum Airport (1.4%), Amritsar Airport (1.4%), Mormugao Seaport (1.2%) and Tirchy Airport (1.0%).