## India

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens consult its website daily via the link below for any travel advisories about visiting this country.

https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 2 blank pages in their passport for any entry stamp and or visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country’s embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

### US Embassy/Consulate

[91] (11) 2419-8000; US Embassy in New Delhi, Shantipath, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi – 110021, India

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

http://www.who.int

### Climate

Varies from tropical monsoon in south to temperate in north

### Currency (Code)

Indian rupees (INR)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

230 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): C, D, M

![Type C](image.png) ![Type D](image.png)

### Major Languages

Hindi 43.6%, Bengali 8%, Marathi 6.9%, Telugu 6.7%, Tamil 5.7%, Gujarati 4.6%, Urdu 4.2%, Kannada 3.6%, Odia 3.1%, Malayalam 2.9%, Punjabi 2.7%, Assamese 1.3%, Maithili 1.1%, other 5.6%; note: English enjoys the status of subsidiary official language but is the most important language for national, political, and commercial communication

### Religions

Hindu 79.8%, Muslim 14.2%, Christian 2.3%, Sikh 1.7%, other and unspecified 2%

### Time Difference

UTC+5.5 (10.5 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

### International Driving Permit

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<td>Local Emergency Phone Numbers</td>
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Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

**World Health Organization (WHO)** - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. [http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)


To obtain an international driving permit (IDP). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs:  

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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