

Tourism Breaking News

Now eVoA for cruising in superyachts to Andamans



Visa-on-Arrival (VoA) facility is now available at nine airports in India for those planning to cruise on Andaman Islands. The ETA is accepted only at the international airports of Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Kochi and Goa. Rathnam, Andamans'APS, recommends the Chennai and New Delhi airports for those flying in to meet their arriving superyacht at Port Blair.

This scheme requires visitors to apply online at least four days before leaving for India. The visitor can then print a copy of the authorisation and take it directly to immigration authorities. Further restrictions include validity for 30 days and the e-visa can only be obtained twice per year.

Unlike other visa regimes, tourists will not have to wait for a certain time before re-applying for another visa under the ETA system. Though it is called VoA, the new visa has to be applied for online before travelling to India. Once the payment is made online and the visa is issued, tourists have to keep a printout of the visa with them to show immigration officials on arrival to India.