# TOURIST VISA Version: 09/01/2013

This visa allows you to travel to India for holidays, visit monuments, meet friends, attend a wedding... Generally, the Consulate General of India issues a visa valid for 6 months. A 1-year visa is also possible, but each stay may not exceed 90 days. The 5-year validity visa remains exceptional. Please note that the Tourist visa cannot be exchanged and cannot be extended in India.

### THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR TOURIST VISAS:

Certain professions require a "journalist" visa. The sectors of activity concerned by this requirement are: cinema, television, media, writing, publishing, press, photography, communication, advertising... (non-exhaustive list). Please refer to the Journalist Visa checklist.

### LIST OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR A TOURIST VISA

- 1 Original passport valid for a minimum of 6 months (or for the validity requested, if greater) and having at least 3 blank visa pages (of which 2 must be side by side)
- 2 A photocopy of the data page of the passport
- 3 Two photographs conforming to Indian Government norms (detailed specifications can be found on our website)
- Photos should be glued to the form: the first on page 1 in the box provided and the second on the bottom right hand corner of page 2
- Please note photographs available in photo booths in France are not compatible with Indian norms 4 If requesting 1-year validity:
- Motivation letter written in English justifying the need for a validity greater than 6 months and details of the specific trips planned
- 5 If you are a person of Indian origin, a spouse or a descendant of a person of Indian origin:
- Persons of Indian origin, their spouse and their children are strongly advised to apply for Entry visas instead of Tourist visas. Should you wish to go against
- this recommendation, please fill and sign the « Person of Indian Origin Undertaking for a Tourist Visa » form.
- 6 The service fees, additional consular charges, the ICWF fee and the visa fees

### LIST OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

If the applicant is a minor

- •Photocopy of the French livret de famille (pages: father, mother, relevant child) or birth certificate
- Photocopy of an ID proof of each parent
- •Authorisation letter for a minor to travel signed by both parents

If you are holding a non-French passport or a French travel document

- •Reference Form as per your current or previous nationality
- •Additional documents as per your current or previous nationality, as applicable

If you are holding a French passport being of Pakistani, Chinese, Bangladeshi or Afghan origin

- •Reference Form as per your origin
- ·Additional documents as per your origin, as applicable

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