

## **The Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia explains the procedure for extending the period of temporary stay of foreign citizens in the territory of the Russian Federation**

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“In order to ensure the realization of the rights and freedoms of citizens, and also taking into account the situation associated with the spread of a new coronavirus infection, from March 19, 2020, foreign citizens can extend the period of temporary stay in the Russian Federation.

To do this, they need to contact the territorial body of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia closest to the place of their actual location with a statement drawn up in any form.

Besides, labor migrants can apply for new patents without having to travel outside the Russian Federation and without bringing them to administrative responsibility for violation of the deadline for submitting relevant applications.

Foreign citizens residing in Russia on the basis of a temporary residence permit or residence permit will be extended if their document is expiring,” said the official representative of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs Irina Volk.

Citizens arriving in Russia on the basis of a visa will get extended validity, regardless of the purpose of entering Russia. If your visa has already expired, your temporary stay will also be extended.

Citizens who have arrived in Russia in a manner that does not require a visa can have extended stay in the Russian Federation, including if it has already expired.

The application for issuing permits to bring and use foreign workers and work permits for foreign citizens residing in the Russian Federation is resumed.

For extension of visa, Indian national may approach his travel agent, the inviting company, his employer, the hotel where he/she is staying, Airlines (if flights cancelled) or the Embassy of India, Moscow / Consulate General of India, Moscow/ Consulate General of India, St. Petersburg/ Consulate General of India, Vladivostok.