

## Waiting Time for Visa Appointments at German Missions in India

Before scheduling an appointment, please make sure that you choose the **Mission competent for your place of residence**. Failure to do so will lead to your appointment being cancelled and your application not being accepted. Every mission reserves the right to ask for additional documents for proof of your **habitual place of residence** at the counter.

The Consular Districts are as follows:

New Delhi	Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand as well as the Union Territories of Chandigarh, NCT of Delhi, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep including Minicoy and Amini Bhutan
Mumbai	Maharashtra, Gujarat, Goa , Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Daman and Diu
Bangalore	Karnataka and Kerala
Chennai	Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Pondicherry
Calcutta	West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura

The current waiting times are as follows:

Category	New Delhi	Mumbai	Bengaluru	Chennai	Kolkata
Students:					
Master students and higher education	3 weeks*	1 week* (dependents: 2,5 months)	3,5 months	1 week	3 – 4 weeks*
Bachelor students	6 months*	6 months*		2 months	3 – 4 weeks*
Study preparation course	6 months*	6 months*		2 months	3 – 4 weeks*
Family reunion	4 months*	4 months*		2 months	3 – 4 weeks*
<i>Employment:</i>					
<u>without</u> prior ZAV approval	4 months*	2 months* (dependents: 2,5 months)		2 months	3 – 4 weeks*
<u>with</u> prior ZAV approval	3 weeks*	2 months* (dependents: 2,5 months)		2 months	3 – 4 weeks*
Schengen-Visa	Within 48 hours*	Within 48 hours*	none	Within 48 hours*	1 week*

Please notice that for the purposes seen here in orange color, the applications are to be handed in at VFS Global Visa Application Centres, who then forward them to the Embassy / Consulate.

\* Appointments to be scheduled via VFS Global website

Appointments being cancelled are immediately available for booking by other applicants.