

ADVISORY FOR INDIAN NATIONALS TRAVELLING TO FIJI

Indian nationals travelling to Fiji for business or commercial activities must obtain and use the appropriate visa/permit or authorisation. A tourist/holiday visa must NOT be used to undertake business, employment or other income-generating activities. Such activities without the required authorisation are not permitted under Fiji's immigration laws and may attract penalties or other legal consequences.

Where business activities have been lawfully undertaken with the appropriate authorisation, legitimate business proceeds may be taken out of Fiji, subject to applicable requirements, including necessary approvals and declaration at the airport.

Travellers are also advised to strictly comply with Fiji's laws governing the carrying and movement of money:

- Amounts exceeding FJ\$10,000, or the equivalent in foreign currency or bearer negotiable instruments, must be declared when entering or leaving Fiji.
- Financial transactions above prescribed thresholds are subject to reporting requirements. Deliberately splitting transactions to avoid these requirements is an offence.
- Suspicious transactions may be reported regardless of the amount involved.
- Failure to make required declarations, deliberately structuring or concealing transactions or funds to evade reporting requirements, or the movement or handling of funds arising from unauthorised or unlawful activities may constitute money laundering under Fijian law and may result in substantial fines and imprisonment.

Travellers are advised to:

- Carry documentation showing the legitimate source and purpose of substantial funds.
- Make all required declarations and obtain necessary approvals when taking funds out of Fiji.
- Not carry money for others or use personal accounts for unexplained third-party funds.
- Use authorised banks, licensed foreign-exchange dealers and legitimate money-transfer services.
- Ensure all information provided to Fijian authorities is complete and accurate.

Further information may be obtained from the Fiji Ministry of Immigration, Fiji Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU), Fiji Revenue & Customs Service (FRCS), Reserve Bank of Fiji, and relevant Fijian authorities