

## **Bioprocessing India (BPI) 2025 – International Delegate Visa Information**

Dear International Invitee,

We look forward to welcoming you to BPI 2025, to be held at the Indian Institute of Technology (BHU), Varanasi, India. Please review the following important information to help you plan your travel and ensure smooth entry into India.

### **Visa Requirements**

Most foreign nationals require an Indian visa to attend a conference in India. Eligible participants from many countries may apply for an e-Conference Visa online. To check whether you require a visa and confirm eligibility for an e-Conference Visa, visit: <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in>

### **Application Guidelines**

1. Type of Visa: Apply for an e-Conference Visa.
2. Purpose of Visit: Select Conference/Seminar as the purpose.
3. Documents Required (scanned copies to be uploaded):
  - Passport (valid for at least 6 months from date of arrival, with two blank pages)
  - Recent passport-size photograph
  - Invitation letter from BPI 2025 Organizing Committee (will include event details and approval references)
  - Clearance documents (as per Indian Government requirements - provided by the organizers)
4. Processing Time: Apply at least 4–6 weeks before travel to allow for processing and any additional verification.
5. Application Portal: <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html>

### **Arrival in India**

- Keep a printed copy of your e-Visa approval and conference invitation letter with you for presentation to immigration authorities upon arrival.
- Ensure your passport is stamped with the visa upon entry.
- Conference visas are generally valid for the specific event period, with limited additional days for tourism.

### **Special Notes**

- The BPI 2025 Special Event Reference Number will be mentioned in your official invitation letter and should be quoted in your visa application.
- Visa approval remains at the discretion of the Government of India; organizers cannot influence the decision but will provide all required supporting documents.
- Apply early to avoid last-minute delays.

### **Travel & Accommodation**

Varanasi is well-connected by air, rail, and road. The nearest airport is Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport (VNS), approximately 25 km from the IIT (BHU) campus. We recommend

booking accommodation early due to high demand in the conference period. Details of recommended hotels and guest houses will be shared on the BPI 2025 website.

### **Need Assistance?**

For visa-related queries or to request your official Invitation Letter, please contact:

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We look forward to welcoming you to BPI 2025 in the eternal city of Varanasi — a unique blend of history, culture, and innovation.