

# Indonesia's New Digital Nomad Visa

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**In news**– Indonesia has recently announced “Digital Nomad Visas” for travellers to attract foreign tourists as their earnings come from outside the country.

## About Digital Nomad Visa-

- **Under this Visa, remote workers will be able to stay for a long time in Indonesia**, including Bali, tax-free.
- The visa policy was announced by Indonesia's Tourism Minister to boost tourism in the country.
- **It would be the longest digital nomad visa** compared to other countries and it would be applicable for five years.
- **The purpose of announcing Digital Nomad Visas is to get over 3.6 million overseas travellers into the country** over the next year to explore spiritual retreats as well as the eco-tourism of Indonesia.
- It would create a million jobs for Indonesians as the borders have now opened for foreign tourists.
- The decision was taken after a survey that showed Indonesia was “top of mind” for 95% of the remote workers.
- **Presently, there are various types of visas available in the country for digital nomads such as** Visa on Arrival (VoA), Tourist of Cultural Visa and the country's Free Visa.
- However, the **duration of these visas is between 30 and 180 days.**

## Which countries are providing Nomad Visas?

- **In March, Italy released a new permit for non-EU nationals or digital nomads** who can stay up to 90 days

in the country without a visa.

- While **Antigua and Barbuda are providing nomad visas for two years** where the travellers will have to maintain their health insurance.
- **Barbados provides a year-long remote working visa** which can be extended further.
- **Other countries like Croatia, Costa Rica, Georgia, Hungary, Iceland, Mauritius, Norway, and Spain among many others are offering nomad visas.**

### **What is Digital Nomads?**

- Digital Nomads are **those who choose to work remotely and independently.** Besides working in one place, **they chose to spend their earned income in the country they are travelling to.**
- **Unlike other remote workers who usually stay in one place and do work,** digital nomads travel and explore while working.
- It was reported that around 10.9 million American workers described themselves as digital nomads in 2020 which was above 49 per cent from 2019.
- As the pandemic occurred the majority of the work areas were moved on the web, while certain workplaces have started to open, most organisations have declared remote work.
- Presently, as the world has moved to vaccinations and all borders have opened up, individuals can continue their regular jobs from any corner of the world.