

Sunway International Office Communication #18

Uplifting of Travel Restriction – Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and United Kingdom

IMPORTANT :

This message is meant to inform students on the latest announcement by EMGS dated 21st September 2021 with regards to the uplifting of the temporary travel restrictions from the six (6) affected countries.

Please read the full announcement on the EMGS News Bulletin at this link :

TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS FOR TRAVELLERS ARRIVING FROM BANGLADESH, INDIA, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, SRI LANKA AND UNITED KINGDOM

Available online : https://educationmalaysia.gov.my/news_update/temporary-restrictions-for-travellers-arriving-from-bangladesh-india-nepal-pakistan-sri-lanka-and-united-kingdom/

Dear international students,

We are pleased to update you that with **immediate effect**, the travel ban for these six (6) countries mentioned above have been **uplifted** by the Immigration Department of Malaysia. Students from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and United Kingdom can now travel to Malaysia.

However, students arriving from these countries are required to:

- Complete the Covid-19 vaccination (the proof of vaccination must be written in ENGLISH. If the original document is not in English and you have obtained a translation copy, please get the translation copy verified 'Certified True Copy'.)
- Undergo the health screening procedures upon arrival at KLIA or KLIA 2
- Complete the mandatory quarantine in Malaysia

As you prepare to travel to Malaysia, please seek the guidance from your Programme Leader / Coordinator from the respective academic office on the most suitable period for you to travel. Here are some questions that you can ask them:

- 1) Would it be advisable to travel to Malaysia during an ongoing semester?
- 2) I would be required to undergo 14 days (or up to 21days) of quarantine upon arrival in Malaysia. Will this disrupt my studies?
- 3) Would I have any subjects to take in the coming semester? If I do not have any subjects to take, should I postpone my travel date?
(Students without any subjects offered will be required to defer semester and shall not travel to Malaysia)
- 4) When will I be completing my current programme?
(Students who will be completing the current programme)

Kindly read the scenarios below carefully as you may find yourself in any one of these scenarios. Please pay careful attention to what you will have to do.

Scenario 1 :

I have started my programme with Sunway online but have not travelled to Malaysia to attend any classes at the Sunway campus before.

- Ensure your Visa Approval Letter, i.e. eVAL (Approval of Foreign Student Studying in Malaysia) and Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia) has been issued. You can Check Application Status here : <https://visa.educationmalaysia.gov.my/emgs/application/searchForm/>
- Both the eVAL and Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia) has a six (6) month validity period calculated from the date of the letter. Please ensure that both documents are still valid on the day you arrive in Malaysia.

Scenario 2 :

I was unable to travel to Malaysia to attend any classes at the Sunway campus because of the travel ban. My Visa Approval Letter, i.e. eVAL (Approval of Foreign Student Studying in Malaysia) and Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia) has expired as it is more than 6 months old.

- The expired documents can be renewed (extension) only for one time with a validity period of another six (6) months.
- You need to be very certain that you have decided to travel to Malaysia before applying for the renewal of the eVAL and Travel Authorisation Letter.
- Students who are still undecided if they would like to travel to Malaysia should not apply to renew the eVAL and Travel Authorisation Letter renewal until they are certain.
- To apply for the renewal of these documents, kindly email IO Admission (int_admin@sunway.edu.my). Please allow 8 weeks for the renewal process and mindful it may take longer for approval.
- Do not purchase and flight ticket or make any travel arrangements until you have received the renewed documents.

Scenario 3 :

I have not obtained my My Visa Approval Letter, i.e. eVAL (Approval of Foreign Student Studying in Malaysia) and Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia). I have already checked application status via : <https://visa.educationmalaysia.gov.my/emgs/application/searchForm/>

- Please email IO Admission (int_admin@sunway.edu.my) to inform us of this matter.
- Do not purchase and flight ticket or make any travel arrangements until you have received the eVAL (Approval of Foreign Student Studying in Malaysia) and Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia).

Scenario 4 :

I have returned to my home country last year due to the pandemic and have not been able to return to Malaysia due to the travel ban. My current student pass has also expired but I plan to return to campus. What should I do?

- Apply for EMGS Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia) via the EMGS Website > Apply for Travel Authorization
EMGS Website link : <https://visa.educationmalaysia.gov.my/>
- Communicate with International Welfare (intwelfare@sunway.edu.my)

Scenario 5 :

I have applied for EMGS Travel Authorisation in the past, but I was unable to travel to Malaysia due to the travel restriction. Now my travel authorisation has also expired. What should I do to return to campus?

If you have applied for the EMGS Travel Authorisation in the past, and this document has expired (more than 3 months from date of the letter), you are required to put in a new application via the EMGS Website (link : <https://visa.educationmalaysia.gov.my/>)> Apply for Travel Authorization

Scenario 6 :

I am a Pre-U student. This is my final semester and I am planning to continue my degree at Sunway University next semester. Should I travel to Malaysia now?

No, you should remain in your home country or country of residence and complete the final semester of your Pre-U programme online (unless you are required to attend physical class/examination in Malaysia, you can communicate with the respective programme leader/coordinator for further advise).

You can travel to Malaysia for degree using the newly approved Visa Approval Letter, i.e. eVAL (Approval of Foreign Student Studying in Malaysia) and Travel Authorisation Letter (Permission to Enter Malaysia) for your degree programme.

** Same procedures also apply to students who wishes to progress from Diploma to Degree, or Undergraduate to Postgraduate degree.*

Scenario 7 :

This is the final semester of my programme. Can I still travel to Malaysia?

No, unfortunately you cannot travel to Malaysia as you will not be able to get your student visa endorsed as you are completing your studies. You would have to remain in your home country or country of residence and complete the final semester of your programme online. Please contact your respective programme coordinator.

Important notes:

- To know more about the procedures, quarantine and screening fees and other related questions, please refer to EMGS **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for International Students**
Available Online :
https://educationmalaysia.gov.my/news_update/frequently-asked-questions-faq-for-international-students/
- If you have been vaccinated in your home country, please email your vaccination certificate to Registry: srga-op@sunway.edu.my

- Updating your vaccination status on MySejahtera app upon arrival in Malaysia :

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED OVERSEAS

HOW TO OBTAIN DIGITAL VACCINATION CERTIFICATE

Go to District Health Office (PKD)
(Local PKD based on your current location)

- Submit evidence that you have been fully vaccinated* (1 dose and 2 doses or single dose) overseas to the PKD officials.
- PKD officials will verify and send that information to MySejahtera through the State Health Department and you will be given your digital certificate through the MySejahtera application.

*Proof of full vaccination is through physical vaccination card or digital certificate issued by a particular country.

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENSURING ACCESS TO COVID-19 VACCINE SUPPLY (JKJAV)

The nearest PKD from Sunway University campus is **Petaling District Health Office (Pejabat Kesihatan Daerah Petaling)**, Wisma SAHOCA, No. 1, Jalan SS 6/3a, Ss 6, 47301 Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

Operational hours are Mon - Thurs (8.00am - 1.00pm , 2.00pm - 4.30pm) Friday (8.00am - 12.15pm , 2.45pm - 4.30pm) Saturday and Sunday closed.

Information to provide : Full Name, Passport Number, Vaccination Date – Dose 1 , Dose 2, Vaccine Type (example : Pfizer), passport, vaccination card or any proof vaccination status.

Should you require further clarification and assistance please email us at intwelfare@sunway.edu.my .Thank you.

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