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INFORMATION

Timor Leste Added as a Subject Country Recipient of Free Visit Visa (BVK) Facility Based on the Circular Letter No. IMI-0058.GR.01.01 Year 2023

On 12 February 2023, the Director General of Immigration released Circular Letter No. IMI-0058.GR.01.01 Year 2023 concerning the Immigration Policy regarding Visit Visa Services on Arrival Electronic (E-VOA), Visit Visa on Arrival (VOA), and Free Visit Visa (Bebas Visa Kunjungan/BVK). This circular letter is starting on 13 February 2023 and will be evaluated further.

Previously, there were only 9 (nine) countries that can obtain BVK. With the release of this regulation, the government officially added Timor Leste as a subject country of BVK, and there are in total of 10 (countries) that are eligible to apply for BVK including;

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| 1. Brunei | 6. Myanmar |
| 2. Philippines | 7. Singapore |
| 3. Cambodia | 8. Thailand |
| 4. Laos | 9. Vietnam |
| 5. Malaysia | 10. Timor Leste |

BVK is valid for 14 days and cannot be extended. The requirements that must be shown to the Immigration officer at immigration checkpoint (Tempat Pemeriksaan Imigrasi/TPI) are a passport that is still valid for at least 6 (six) months and a ticket to leave Indonesian territory.

In addition, there are 16 (sixteen) list of airports with TPI that serve BVK grants including:

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| 1. Halim Perdana Kusuma, East Jakarta | 9. Sentani, Jayapura |
| 2. Hang Nadim Batam, Riau Archipelago | 10. Soekarno-Hatta, Tangerang |
| 3. Juanda, Surabaya | 11. Sultan Aji Muhammad Sulaiman, Balikpapan |
| 4. Kertajati, Cirebon | 12. Sultan Hasanuddin, Makassar |
| 5. Kualanamu, Medan | 13. Sultan Iskandar Muda, Banda Aceh |
| 6. Minangkabau, Padang | 14. Sultan Syarif Kasim II, Pekanbaru |
| 7. Ngurah Rai, Bali | 15. Yogyakarta International Airport, Special Region of Yogyakarta |
| 8. Sam Ratulangi, Manado | 16. Zainuddin Abdul Madjid, Mataram |

For the complete lists of the Sea Port TPI and Cross Border Post are listed on the pages 13 – 15 of Circular Letter No. IMI-0058.GR.01.01 Year 2023. The government also emphasized for foreigners who are subject to BVK and who still wish to stay longer in Indonesia must leave Indonesian territory first and re-enter using another immigration visit permit.

References:

- Director General of Immigration Circular Letter No. IMI-0058.GR.01.01 Year 2023
- Press Release of the Director General of Immigration on 13 February 2023

If you require a copy of the documents above, please do not hesitate to contact research@ibai.or.id
Thank you for your kind attention and hope this information would be valuable for you.

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