

EMBASSY OF INDIA

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ADVISORY TO THE INDIAN COMMUNITY ON FRAUD CALLS

The Embassy of India, Brussels would like to draw kind attention of Indian Community in Belgium/Luxembourg about **fraudulent calls** being received by members of Indian community from unscrupulous elements **using name of Indian Embassy and spoofed telephone numbers**. The callers generally speak English and sometimes Hindi. It is requested that in the event of receiving such calls, the number from which call has originated, date and time of call, contact number on which call was received and nature of demand or threat may be furnished to Police as well as Embassy of India, Brussels & cons.brussels@mea.gov.in. Most of the calls originate from +32-26409140/+32-26451850/+32-476748575. It may be mentioned that these are registered Embassy numbers but callers have spoofed these numbers.

- These fraudsters intimate the victim about some wrong or inadequate information in his/her passport or immigration records due to which the perpetrators demand a fine or penalty to be paid through Western Union money transfer through their credit/debit cards or else deportation proceedings would be initiated.
2. **All concerned, are therefore, advised to be vigilant and to be on guard against these fraudsters and their nefarious designs to extract money from unsuspecting victims.**
 3. It is reiterated that ***Embassy does not call up people*** to ask for money and hence such calls be ignored and reported promptly.

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