

France opens visa application center in Dhaka

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Dhaka : France has launched a new application center in Dhaka to offer an enhanced and seamless experience for Bangladeshi applicants seeking short and long-stay visas.

The center, located at Rangs Z Square on Gulshan Avenue, was inaugurated on September 16 by the French Ambassador to Bangladesh Marie Masdupuy, said a press release.

Effective immediately, applicants can submit their visa applications at the center by booking prior appointments through VFS Global's website.

Speaking at the inauguration, Ambassador Masdupuy said the initiative aims to facilitate travel for Bangladeshi residents by improving accessibility and efficiency.

She emphasized that while VFS Global would collect applications and related documents, the responsibility for processing and decision-

making would remain with the Embassy of France.

The facility is equipped with trained customer service representatives and designed for convenience, offering flexible payment options, extended hours for application submission and passport collection, as well as optional services such as premium processing, courier support, and form filling.

VFS Global has partnered with the French government on visa processing since 2004, currently operating 70 dedicated visa centers for France across 29 countries.

The new Dhaka center will operate from Sunday to Thursday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Applicants can book appointments online at <https://visa.vfsglobal.com/bgd/en/fra>.