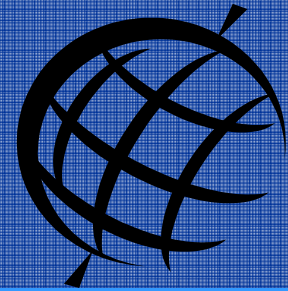


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NIGERIA: The U.K. High Commission places Restrictions on Visit visa applications in Nigeria.

The visa sections in Lagos and Abuja will not be accepting visa applications from first-time visitors to the UK (including business visitors) aged between 18 and 30 years of age until further notice.

ASIA

HONG KONG: The HK government advises that with effect from June 6, 2005, there are visa restrictions on Nepalese nationals.

The Immigration Department announced that from Monday (June 6), it will cease to accept visa applications from nationals of Nepal wanting to study or take up employment in Hong Kong, including establishing or joining in any business, training and as a domestic helper or imported worker.

This arrangement will continue until further notice.

The new arrangement will not affect Nepalese residents in Hong Kong. Their applications on or after June 6, 2005, for extending their stay to continue working, studying or living in Hong Kong will continue to be accepted for processing.

See: <http://www.immd.gov.hk/ehhtml/20050606.htm>

EUROPE

U.K: Indian entrepreneurs needed to create high –tech start ups.

The UK government's Global Entrepreneurs Programme, which was launched in India last year, is entering a new phase with the appointment of a 'Dealmaker' for India.

UK Trade & Investment, which runs GEP, announced the appointment of Alpesh Patel as a 'Dealmaker'. Patel has an impressive track record both as an entrepreneur and supporter of entrepreneurship. He is the fifth Dealmaker appointed by GEP and the first to operate in India.

The *Global Entrepreneurs Programme* (GEP) champions new business ideas by bringing together entrepreneurs and those who can best guide them towards success in the UK. GEP was first launched in the US and following its success there is being introduced in India.

UK Trade & Investment is the government organization that provides integrated support services for UK companies engaged in overseas trade and foreign businesses focused on the UK as an inward investment location.

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