The U.S. Consulate General promotes U.S.-India relations and progress towards common goals through various programs and initiatives, including information outreach, dialogue, and exchanges in western and central India. The U.S. Consulate General in Mumbai engages with the people and governments of the states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, and Goa.

The Consulate General is located in Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai. It houses the office of the Consul General; the Consular Section, which offers services to U.S. citizens in India and to Indians traveling to the United States; the Economic and Political Section; the Management Section; the Public Affairs Section, which promotes mutual understanding through its public outreach programs and exchanges; the U.S. Commercial Service, which promotes U.S. exports and trade; the Food and Drug Administration, which promotes food and drug safety; and the Foreign Agricultural Service, which represents the U.S. Department of Agriculture overseas.

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Consular Section

The U.S. Consulate General Mumbai processes applications for both nonimmigrant and immigrant visas to the United States. Nonimmigrant visas are for people visiting the U.S. temporarily for tourism, business, education, medical treatment, or petition-based employment. Immigrant visas are for applicants planning to permanently relocate to the United States. The consulate also provides services to U.S. citizens residing in Goa, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Diu and Daman, and Dadra and Nagar Haveli. These services include passport renewal, Consular Reports of Birth Abroad, notary services, security and travel updates, and health and safety assistance.

U.S. Visa Information Service for India
Website: [http://www.ustraveldocs.com/in](http://www.ustraveldocs.com/in)
Visa help line — 01204844644
**U.S. Commercial Service (USCS)**

The U.S. Commercial Service is the trade promotion arm of the U.S. Department of Commerce’s International Trade Administration.

If you are part of an Indian company looking for U.S. suppliers, the U.S. Commercial Service can help you find U.S. suppliers of products and services. As part of the U.S. Department of Commerce’s network of seven offices throughout India, their trade specialists are linked to 107 offices in the United States and 145 international offices. With expert knowledge about industries and the U.S. companies that create some of the world’s best products and services, they will help you save time and money in your search for U.S. suppliers.

Whether you simply require contact details for known U.S. companies, or if you plan to travel to the United States to source new U.S. products or services, they offer a broad range of services that are designed to help you locate and meet potential American business partners and attend important trade events in the United States.

Website: [http://www.buyusa.gov/India/](http://www.buyusa.gov/India/)

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**Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)**

The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) links U.S. agriculture to the world to enhance export opportunities and global food security. FAS staff identify problems, provide practical solutions, and work to advance opportunities for U.S. agriculture and support U.S. foreign policy around the globe. FAS is primarily responsible for improving foreign market access for U.S. products by collecting and analyzing data on world agricultural production, policy, and trade competition. It publishes information to U.S. farming and business interests on agricultural commodities in the global market. FAS also administers USDA export credit guarantees, food aid programs, limited technical assistance/capacity building, and monitors and evaluates U.S. Department of Agriculture-funded Cooperators’ activities in international markets.
Exchanges and Educational Advising

The United States - India Educational Foundation (USIEF) promotes mutual understanding between Indian and U.S. citizens through the educational exchange of outstanding scholars, professionals, and students. Since its inception, USIEF has awarded approximately 18,500 Fulbright, Fulbright-Nehru, and other prestigious grants and scholarships in almost every academic discipline.

USIEF is also an EducationUSA advising center affiliated with the U.S. Department of State. There is a second EducationUSA advising center in the Consular district run by the Indo-American Education Society (IAES) in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. Both centers offer educational advising services for students interested in higher studies in the United States. As EducationUSA advising centers, they provide accurate, comprehensive, and current information on educational opportunities in the United States.


Public Affairs Section - PAS

The Public Affairs Section (PAS) is responsible for engaging with the media and for conducting U.S. cultural and education promotion programs. PAS liaises with western India’s media and organizes public outreach for Embassy and Consulate personnel and visiting U.S. government officials and independent experts.

PAS also holds panel discussions, film screenings, social media contests, and other such activities covering topics of key interest in the U.S.-India bilateral relationship. Subjects include the environment, business and economics, security cooperation, politics and international relations, education, English language teaching, and U.S. culture, among others.

Programs organized by PAS
PAS runs the American Library located at the U.S. Consulate, which is free and open to the public Monday - Saturday 10am to 6pm. There, you will find accurate, timely information about the United States, including resources on pursuing studies; business and management books and journals; literary and popular fiction; DVDs; magazines; and much more.

The American Library, Mumbai carries out a variety of activities aimed at promoting a better understanding of the policies, values, institutions, and culture of the United States. Activities include book discussions, film based discussions, user orientations, information literacy sessions and monthly film screenings.

The Library provides a wide range of current, accurate and authoritative information from a vast selection of print and electronic resources using state-of-the-art technology. The Library’s collection primarily focuses on U.S. Foreign Policy, business and economics, management, environment and American Literature. Its collection consists of books, journals, English language learning materials, films/documentaries, newspapers, and U.S. government publications.

Check out the American Library Catalog at [http://amlibindia.state.gov](http://amlibindia.state.gov)

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What the Consulate is reading...

**Gone Girl** by Gillian Flynn

“Much better than the film, this book had me on the edge of my seat with its suspenseful twists and turns. After you read this thriller, you will rush to read the author’s other books, which I highly recommend.”

Recommended by Brittney Stewart, Assistant Cultural Affairs Officer

**The Stench of Honolulu** by Jack Handey

“I like this book because it is a light-hearted adventure that doesn’t take itself too seriously. If you don’t get the jokes you need to reread it.”

Recommended by Matthew H. Kustel, Vice Consul

**Telegraph Avenue** by Michael Chabon

“Chabon chronicles the lives of four families who live in Berkeley, California and gives a true flavor of life in Berkeley as it has transitioned from late 60s to the present.”

**Olive Kitteridge** by Isabelle Strout

“Strout is a master chronicler of life in a small town New England. A must-read to understand New England culture.”

**The Circle** by Dave Eggers

“This is the present day update to George Orwell’s 1984. Eggers’s dystopia brings constant connectivity to its logical, horrific conclusion – no way to escape the grid. Fascinating read!”

Recommended by Kakoli Ray, Vice Consul
A History of Love by Nicole Krauss

Heartbreaking, haunting, and at times hilarious, the gorgeous prose in this novel will captivate you. Covering war, loneliness, aging, youth, love both romantic and familial, friendship, and the very nature of humanity and creativity, this is a story that will stay with you long after you finish the book.

The Princess Bride by William Goldman

The film is considered an American classic, beloved by all ages. The book is altogether slier, darker, funnier, and just as satisfying, yet in a different way. Pirates, a machinating prince, torture, a purveyor of miracles, true love, a giant, epic fencing battles, and shrieking eels all make an appearance. Read this incomparable novel to laugh, cheer for heroes, boo villains, and be transported back to childhood while retaining a deliciously grown-up sense of humor.

A Confederacy of Dunces by John Kennedy O’Toole

Is Ignatius J. Reilly a misunderstood genius or a madman? Either way, he is a comic narrator who takes the reader on a journey through 1960s New Orleans. From flatulence to filial piety, much in this book will surprise you, make you laugh, and make you think.

Recommended by Anamika Chakravorty, Cultural Affairs Officer

New arrivals at the American Library

Checkout the collection at http://amlibindia.state.gov
What the Consulate is watching..

The West Wing

This show, which ran from 1999 to 2006, captured the imaginations and hearts of people across the U.S. political spectrum. It’s a workplace drama, a civics lesson, and a rumination on the American system of government. Featuring a strong cast and sharp writing, it will draw you in. You’ll find yourself falling in love with the characters and learning a lot in the process. Not to be missed for fans of political science, international relations, or engaging television!

The Wire

Transcending the description “TV show,” this series is an unsurpassed example of the fine art of storytelling. Following law enforcement officials, criminals, those who straddle those categories, drug addicts, and everyday citizens of Baltimore, the multi-layered narrative is gripping. Gritty, ambitious, searing, honest, tragic, and fascinating, The Wire will appeal to diverse audiences. President Obama has called it his favorite show. Hailed by critics and fans alike as one of the best television shows of all time, The Wire deserves broad viewership.

Mad Men

Casual workplace sexism, three-martini lunches, and sleek suits with hats provide the superficial parameters for this show set in 1960s New York. A deeper look unearths a fascinating snapshot of a unique period in American history, with changing gender and social norms. From the stellar acting to the writing to the costume design, this award-winning show gets all the elements right. It has a devoted fan base, for good reason.

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