



US pauses perm at Microsoft, Adobe amid green card fraud

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The US has put a pause on the Permanent Labor Certification (PERM) program for eight big companies, including Microsoft and Adobe, as part of a crackdown on fraud in the green card process.

This means new and pending PERM applications are on hold, which is causing stress for many Indian H-1B workers counting on these approvals to get permanent residency.

H-1B holders advised to organize documents

If you already have an H-1B visa, you're still good for now. But if your visa is expiring soon or you haven't filed your PERM yet, it's time to look at other options.

Immigration experts suggest checking out alternatives like the EB-1 category or family sponsorships.

As attorney Rajiv S. Khanna puts it, "ask your employer for copies of filed ETA-9089 showing case number and filing date any certification I-140 receipt and approval notices any I-485 receipts and every H-1B approval notice. Keep your own I-94 records along with a dated list of every trip abroad since recaptured days may decide whether you can extend."

Being organized can really help as rules shift around.

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