

February 2012 visa bulletin commentary

The February 2012 visa bulletin was released on January 6th, 2012. Here is the pertinent information most of my readers are looking for:



For all countries except India, China, Philippines, and Mexico: F2A preference has advanced 48 days to priority date (PD) 8 June 2009 and F2B preference has advanced 38 days to 15 October 2003; F4 moves forward 25 days 8 September 2000; EB2 remains current and EB3 advances 21 days to 22 February 2006.

For India only: F2A advances 48 days to PD 8 June 2009 and F2B advances 38 days to 15 October 2003; F4 advances 25 days 8 September 2000; EB2 advances 365 days (a whole year, wow!) to 1 January 2010 and EB3 advances 7 days to 15 August 2002.

Many people were worried about retrogression in February 2012, it appears that fear is avoided for the time being. However, the bulletin does state the retrogression is likely later this year. Great news for India EB2 for advancing 1 year this month.

If you have any questions, please feel free to drop me a note. In the meantime, as soon as the March 2012 visa bulletin is released, we will be posting updates.

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