

RENUNCIATION OF INDIAN CITIZENSHIP

SURRENDER CERTIFICATE FOR PASSPORTS

Indian citizens acquiring foreign citizenship are required to renounce their Indian citizenship and surrender their Indian passports for cancellation. They are issued a surrender certificate by the Embassy.

On or before 31 May 2010, the fee applicable for renunciation of Indian citizenship and obtaining a surrender certificate was US \$175. Penalties were also applicable in certain cases. However, with effect from 1 June 2010, the Government of India has made a relaxation in regard to cases to be processed in future.

Applicants may note the following:

- The Persons of Indian origin who acquired foreign citizenship on or before 31 May 2010 should approach the Embassy for cancellation of their passports and to obtain Surrender Certificates. They will have to pay US \$20 for this service. This relaxation will not cover applications processed before 1 June 2010.
- Indian citizens acquiring foreign citizenship on or after 1 June 2010 will have to pay the renunciation fee of US \$175 per person. Penalties would be applicable in case such passports are not surrendered within 90 days of acquiring foreign citizenship.

HOW TO APPLY

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- (i) Form in duplicate – FORM-SURRENDER & FORM-ACKNOWLEDGE.
 - (ii) Original Indian passport.
- a. Photocopy of first 5 and last 2 pages of Indian passport.
 - b. In case the applicants do not have the Indian passports in their possession for any reason (loss/misplacement/submission to foreign government long time back, etc.), they are required to furnish duly notarized affidavit in this regard. Certified copies of official documents submitted to foreign authority at the time of obtaining foreign citizenship/naturalization should be submitted.
 - c. If the Indian passport is still valid but has been misplaced/lost, then Police Report should be submitted additionally.
 - (iii) Foreign Naturalization Certificate (copy) or any valid and acceptable proof towards their acquiring foreign citizenship.
 - (iv) Foreign passport (copy).
 - (v) Fee of GNF200,000 can be paid by depositing directly into the Embassy of India account with SGBG, Conakry.
 - (vi) For those PIOs who acquire foreign citizenship on or after 1 June 2010, the applicable fee is US \$175 (GNF1,750,000). Due penalty will also be payable where applicable.

MODE OF APPLYING

Applicants may bring their documents to the Embassy between 0930-1230 hours on working days.

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FEES AND PENALTIES

UNDER Indian law, Persons of Indian Origin, who have acquired foreign citizenship, are required to surrender their Indian passports to the nearest Indian Mission/Post immediately after acquisition of foreign citizenship and should obtain a Surrender Certificate.

THE Indian Citizenship Act, 1955, does not allow dual citizenship. Holding Indian passport/acquiring Indian passport/travelling on Indian passport after acquisition of foreign citizenship constitutes an offence under the Indian Passport Act, 1967, and attracts penalties. The Government of India has prescribed imposition of penalty on a graded scale, depending on number of trips made on Indian passport after acquiring foreign nationality, for the violation of Passport Rules and retention of Indian Passport for more than 3 years after acquiring of foreign nationality.

INDIAN passport must be surrendered within 90 days of foreign naturalization even if the foreign passport is obtained later. It is illegal to travel on Indian passport after obtaining foreign naturalization. Penalties apply. These charges are additional to the normal charges for visa and other consular services being sought

	Fee Before and on 31 May 2010	FEE ON AND AFTER 1 JUNE 2010	Penalty
Fee for Renunciation of Indian citizenship	200.000	1.750.000	-
Passport lost/damaged or surrendered to foreign government.	200.000	1.750.000	-
Indian passport retained without cancellation beyond 3 years subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality.	200.000	1.750.000	2.500.000
Indian passport retained beyond 1 January 2005 & Passport got re-issued.	200.000	1.750.000	6.250.000
Indian passport retained & used for travel subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality.	200.000	1.750.000	12.500.000
Indian passport retained, reissued & used for travel subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality.	200.000	1.750.000	18.750.000
Indian passport retained and if any miscellaneous service availed thereon subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality.	200.000	1.750.000	2.500.000 each time

APPLICANTS may direct their queries in this regard to Consular Section:

cons.conakry@mea.gov.in, hoc.conakry@mea.gov.in

EMBASSY OF INDIA - CONAKRY

FORM XXIV
[See rule 23(3)]
THE CITIZENSHIP RULES, 2009
CERTIFICATE OF RENUNCIATION OF INDIAN CITIZENSHIP UNDER RULE 23 OF THE
CITIZENSHIP RULES, 2009,

This is to certify that the person whose details are given below has voluntarily renounced the Indian citizenship and pursuant to section 8 of the Citizenship Act, 1955, he/she shall cease to be a citizen of India with effect from the date of issue of this certificate:

1. Name:
2. Father's Name:
3. Mother's Name:
4. Date of Birth:
5. Place of Birth:
6. Indian Passport No:
7. Address:
8. He/she has acquired the Citizenship of India by Birth/Descent/Registration/Naturalisation

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Signature and seal of the Issuing Authority

Name:
Designation:

Place of Issue:
Date of Issue: