SURRENDER OF INDIAN PASSPORT & RENUNCIATION OF INDIAN NATIONALITY

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If an applicant has already been issued a naturalisation certificate/passport by another country, the applicant loses his Indian Citizenship with immediate effect and hence is ineligible to apply for Renunciation of Indian Citizenship under Section 8 of the Indian Citizenship Act.

Thus, Indian nationals who have acquired foreign citizenship are required to apply for 'Renunciation of Indian Citizenship/Surrender Certificate' by surrendering their Indian Passport.

Under Section 12(1A) of the Passports Act, possession of Indian passport by foreign nationals is a cognizable offence.

This equally applies to Indian nationals who have acquired foreign nationality.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR SURRENDER/ RENUNCIATION OF INDIAN NATIONALITY

- If you have multiple applications to submit, kindly book separate appointments for each application.
- Kindly carry originals of all relevant documents that are applicable for the service.
- If your situation is not indicated below, kindly clarify with our email ccons.thehague@mea.gov.in
- Each appointment is slotted for a maximum of 15 minutes. Appointment does not guarantee submission of application. It is important that you are ready with supporting documents arranged in order as indicated in Checklist to ensure that we can serve you and everyone within an expected waiting time limit.
- We will be unable to accept incomplete/incorrect applications.

SURRENDER OF INDIAN PASSPORT

(Mandatory service to apply for Indian nationals who have acquired foreign citizenship):

- 1 Online application form for adults and minors who obtained a foreign nationality: () (https://portal3.passportindia.gov.in/Online/index.html)
- 2. Two photographs conforming to Indian Government norms as per specifications mentioned on our website. O A Photographs and Photocopy facility is not available in Embassy.
- 3. Self-attested copy of Dutch (foreign) passport O
- 4. Original latest Indian passport (for cancellation) ()
- 5. Self-attested copy of Indian passport (first and last page) (In case the passport dates back to the 80s and 90s a copy of the first 4 pages is required)
- 6. Copy of Naturalization certificate (Bekendmaking) for Dutch citizens. O

 In case citizenship is different than Dutch, official document proving the date of acquisition of foreign nationality

 Please mention the date of acquisition of foreign citizenship in application as per Naturalization certificate (Bekendmaking). O
- 7. Self addressed pre-paid courier/post A4 size envelope to send processed document.

RENUNCIATION OF INDIAN NATIONALITY

(Not applicable for applicants who has been issued a naturalisation certificate/ passport by any foreign country)

- 1. Online application form for adults (18 years and above) who obtained the foreign nationality on or after 1st June 2010
 - (https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce)
 - Signature, contact details (mobile number, email address) of applicant should be completed on the second page. Print out should be in a portrait mode. Each page on a separate sheet. Uploading photo, signature and supporting documents is mandatory! All pages should be printed in Portrait mode and signed/thumb printed by applicant.

- 2. Applicants have a choice to pay applicable Fees at MHA website or pay offline at Embassy
 - Please note, for both choices applicants still need to pay Mandatory ICWF=2€.

If payment done at MHA website:

Payment proof corresponding to the MHA application reference number MUST be provided along with the application form.

If application is found erroneous after review by VFS/Embassy of India then no change is possible on that application, new application form with corrected details and new payment proof corresponding to the new application reference number is required.

Hence, applicants are advised to fill up application carefully as there cannot be any refund possible from VFS or Embassy of India for any payment(s) done on MHA website.

If Applicant chooses to pay offline / Unable to pay online at MHA website: Applicant needs to pay the applicable Embassy Fees in addition to VFS Service charges.

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