### **Renunciation Guidelines, Forms and Fees**

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 <u>Surrender Certificate</u>.

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.

### **Documents Required**

- (i) Form in duplicate Form-Surrender or Form-Acknowledgement.
- (ii) Original Indian passport and photocopy of first 5 and last 2 pages of Indian passport.
- (iii) In case the applicant does not have the Indian passports in his/her 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.
- (iv) If the Indian passport is still valid but has been lost/misplaced, then Police Report mentioning passport number should be submitted.
- (v) In addition to photo copy of the lost passport, certified copies of official documents submitted to foreign authorities at the time of obtaining foreign citizenship or naturalization should be submitted.
- (vi) Copy of Foreign Naturalization Certificate or any valid and acceptable proof towards their acquiring foreign citizenship along with English translation of the document.
- (vii) Foreign passport (copy).

- (viii) Return courier envelope may be included if delivery of documents is requested by mail.
- (ix) Applicants may bring their documents between **0900-1130** hours on any working day or send them by courier to **Consular Section**, **Embassy of India**, **Quinta Tagore**, **No.12**, **Avenida San Carlos**, **La Floresta**, **Caracas**, **Venezuela**.

### 1. FEE FOR RESIDENTS OF ISLANDS

Residents of Curacao, Sint Maarten, Aruba, Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba (BES) Islands are required to pay in US Dollars. Bank Draft for consular services should be in the name of "Embassy of India, Caracas". In addition to the consular fee, for each service, every applicant has to give a separate Bank Draft of US\$ 2 drawn in favour of Embassy of India, Caracas-ICWF for ICWF. Alternatively, US\$ 2 may be deposited in the Embassy's ICWF account:

Account No.	7760-7807-9200-01
Name of Account	Embassy of India-ICWF
Name of bank	State Bank of India
Branch	460, Park Avenue, New York, NY-
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ABA Routing No.	026009140

Both original bank drafts/deposit proof should be submitted along with the application.

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Passport lost/damaged or surrendered to foreign Government	20	2	175	2	-
Indian passport retained without cancellation beyond 3 years subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	20	2	175	2	250

Indian passport retained beyond 1 January 2005 Passport got re-issued.	20	2	175	2	625
Indian passport retained and used for travel subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	20	2	175	2	1250
Indian passport retained, reissued used for travel subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	20	2	175	2	1875
Indian passport retained and if any miscellaneous services availed thereon subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	20	2	175	2	250 each time

#### 2. FEE FOR RESIDENTS OF VENEZUELA

Residents of **Venezuela** are required to pay for Consular Services in Bolivars (Bs.F) in **Banco Provincial**, **Current Account No. 0108-0231-8901-0013-0102** of the Embassy of India, Caracas. In addition to the Consular fee, every applicant has to make a separate deposit in Bolivars (Bs.F) of **Bsf. 50.000 in Banco Provincial**, **Current Account No. 0108-0231-8501-0019-0318** of the **Embassy of India-ICWF**, for ICWF. Both original bank receipts should be submitted along with the application.

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Indian passport retained beyond 1 January 2005 Passport got re-issued.	240	2	6,000,000	50,000	7500
Indian passport retained and used for travel subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	240	2	6,000,000	50,000	15000
Indian passport retained, reissued used for travel subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	240	2	6,000,000	50,000	22500
Indian passport retained and if any miscellaneous services availed thereon subsequent to acquiring foreign nationality	240	2	6,000,000	50,000	3000 each time

Applicants may direct their queries in this regards to Consular Section: <a href="mailto:cons.caracas@mea.gov.in">cons.caracas@mea.gov.in</a>, <a href="mailto:consular@embindia.org">consular@embindia.org</a>.

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