## Renunciation of Indian Citizenship / Renunciation Certificate

### (Only for "Indian citizens" who have not acquired another nationality yet)

The application for renunciation of Indian citizenship is to be filled through online portal of MHA https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce (please allow pop-ups in your browser). Once the application has been filled correctly after uploading relevant documents and paying fees online, you can seek an appointment over email (visa2.dubai@mea.gov.in) to visit the Consulate.

- Fill your details exactly as per your Indian passport. Fee payment is online (internet banking) only so keep an <u>Indian saving bank account</u> details handy before start of application. Payment cannot be made at Consulate or by any other mode.
- The applicant would fill all details including his/ her complete UAE address (Flat, Building, Area, Emirates etc) and upload relevant documents on website, take a print-out and visit CGI, Dubai (only after seeking appointment) for interview, verification and signing the declaration.

### Documents to be uploaded and brought in original to CGI Dubai:

- i. INDIAN PASSPORT (1st & last page in one pdf) including all previous passports, if any;
- ii. UAE Address Proof (Electricity Bill/ Tenancy Contract/ Bank Statement with applicant's name and exact residential address);
- iii. Payment receipt for fee paid online
- iv. Page 2 of the declaration must be signed by an Indian national witness who is not a relative of the applicant.
  - Once the application form is submitted online by the applicant then no further
    modifications or uploads are allowed. Hence applicants are requested to carefully
    verify the details before making payment and submitting the online application
    form, as fee paid is non-refundable and non-adjustable with any other application.
  - All minor children of the applicant cease to be Indian citizen once this application is acknowledged. Applicant must refer MHA file number for any future correspondence.
  - In case of any technical error/ clarification on rules, you may write to support.ctznoci@mha.gov.in and for matters related to Rules/Policy and website content applicant may contact dirc-mha@gov.in.

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### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### Q. I am planning to acquire another natioality. Which form should I fill?

A. After applying for foreign nationality, if you are asked for submitting acknowledgment for Renunciation of Citizenship, only then you should fill the form for Declaration of Renunciation of Indian Citizenship.

# Q. I have already acquired foreign citizenship and Passport. Should I apply for Renunciation of Indian Citizenship or Surrender of Passport?

A. If you have already acquired foreign citizenship and passport then you should fill application only for Surrender of Passport (please refer to Surrender of Passport process at <a href="https://portal6.passportindia.gov.in/">https://portal6.passportindia.gov.in/</a>).

# Q. I have acquired forign nationlity. My husband/wife is still an Indian. What will happen to the citizenship of my minor children who are Indians?

A. Those individuals who are filling form for <u>Declaration of Renunciation of Indian Citizenship</u> their minor children will also lose the Indian Citizenship despite another partner remaining an Indian national.

# Q. I have filled the form for Renunciation of Citizenship. There is a mistake in the form. I have made payment also. Can I correct the particulars?

A. Before heading for payment, please ensure that all the details filled in the form are correct as per your Indian passport and uploads have been made. In case, you find any error, you may please fill a fresh application.

## Q. I filled the form but missed the payment link. Now I am not able to find the payment link. What should I do to make payment?

A. For the payment please follow the instructions as under:

- 1. open the link https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce (same link which you have used for filling the application)
- 2. Click the print application option
- 3. After filling of required details, please click print application option. Doing so you will find a complete form on your window and at the top you will find digits **1 to 6** in circles. Clicking the **digit 6**, will take you to payment page.

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## Q. How to take appointment for submission of form at Consulate General of India , Dubai?

A. Please seek appointment through email to visa2.dubai@mea.gov.in

### Q. How much time does it take to receive the Renunciation Certificate.

A. Normally it takes 60-90 days to receive the certificate.

# Q. Do the Consulate keeps Passports and original documents till the process is complete?

A. The CGI will keep the original Indian passport only and will return it upon completion of the process.

### Q. I have lost my Indian passport. Can I fill form for Renunciation of Citizenship?

A. Yes, in that case a copy of the last Indian passport would be required. If even the copy of passport is not available then the number of Last Indian passport will also work.

# Q. I have already made the payment but did not get receipt. How can I check if the payment has been successful or not?

A. Please write an email to <u>vsia2.dubai@mea.gov.in</u> to enquire the status of payment.

### Q. What is the fee for Renunciation of Indian Citizenship?

A. The fee is INR 8,000/- to be paid online through Internet banking from an Indian bank account only.

### Q. I have lost my original Renunciation Certificate. Can I get another copy?

A. Please write an email to <u>vsia2.dubai@mea.gov.in</u> along with your MHA file reference number for the said request.

## Q. I have renounced my Indian Citizenship. How and where to renounce the citizenship of my minor children?

A. Minor Children are allowed to hold dual nationality buy they can't hold dual passport. In case you have got foreign passport for your minor child then you need to surrender your child's Indian passport through any approved BLS centres (please refer to website www.cgidubai.gov.in for list of approved BLS centres).

## Q. My minor child has got foreign citizenship while parents are Indian citizen. Can I surrender his/her Indian passport or do I need to Renounce his/her citizenship?

A. Minor children are allowed to hold dula nationality till they turn 18 years of age. They need to surrender their Indian passport when they acquire foreign citizenship. They can reclaim their Indian passport within one year only after they turn 18 years of age.