

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS FOR RENUNCIATION OF INDIAN CITIZENSHIP (SURRENDER OF INDIAN PASSPORT):**

- Any Indian citizen can renounce his/her citizenship by making a declaration in the Form XXII specified in Rule 23 of The Citizenship Rules, 2009. The application Form can be submitted only at online portal of MHA “<https://www.indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in>”;
- Please visit the link (<https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce/Documents/PublicUserGuide/RenunciationPublicUserGuide.pdf>) for getting step by step instructions on filling the form for **'Renunciation of Citizenship'**;
- The applicant would fill all details and upload relevant documents in above mentioned website, take a print-out and visit CGI, Dubai for interview, signing the declaration before the concerned authority and to submit the print-out of the application with supporting documents. **Visit to CGI Dubai has to be made only after seeking appointment by sending an email to [visa2.dubai@mea.gov.in](mailto:visa2.dubai@mea.gov.in);**
- Documents to be uploaded and brought in original to CGI Dubai at the time of interview are:
  - i. Indian Passport (1<sup>st</sup> & last page);
  - ii. Foreign Passport with UAE Visa;
  - iii. Naturalization/ Citizenship Certificate (Emirates ID in case of UAE Nationals);
  - iv. UAE address proof; and
  - v. Payment receipt for fee paid online
- Separate application has to be filed for each applicant except for minors. Second page of the application should be signed by an Indian

national who would vouch for the applicant giving his/her full name and Indian address;

- **Once the application form is submitted online by the applicant, then no further modifications are allowed. Hence applicants are requested to carefully verify the details before making payment and submitting the online application form.**
- Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) File Number would be generated automatically after the submission of online application and the same will be communicated to the applicant by e-mail. Applicant must keep note of it for tracking the status and refer this file number for any future correspondence;
- If the applicant is unable to pay the prescribed fee online due to some glitch, he may restart a fresh application;
- Applicant must take the print out of the online submitted application and personally submit the same at CGI, Dubai along with original documents for further action by authority concerned;
- Applicant will be provided acknowledgement in Form XXIII after his signed application/declaration is successfully uploaded by CGI Dubai. This will be sent to applicant through e-mail;
- The decision of the competent authority on declaration of renunciation shall be conveyed to the applicant through e-mail. On acceptance of the declaration by the Competent Authority, a signed Renunciation Certificate (RC) can be collected from the Consulate in due course of time;

- Applicant may note the legal provision under section 8 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 which provides that where a person ceases to be a citizen of India on renunciation of citizenship under section 8 (1), every minor child of that person shall there upon ceases to be a citizen of India However, such child may, within one year after attaining full age, can make a declaration in the prescribed form and manner that he wishes to resume Indian citizenship;
- For frequently asked questions related to renunciation, you may visit [https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce/Documents/Notice/ic\\_faq\\_16092021.pdf](https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce/Documents/Notice/ic_faq_16092021.pdf).

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