

**The Citizenship Rules, 1956**  
(As amended upto 20-4-2000)

## The Citizenship Rules, 1956<sup>1</sup>

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 18 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules namely: -

### PART I PRELIMINARY

**1. [Short title and commencement-**(1) These rules may be called the Citizenship Rules, 1956.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

**2. Definitions.** – In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires. –

(a) the “Act” means the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955);

<sup>2</sup>[(aa) The “Central Government” means any officer not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs or its equivalent;]

(b) “Collector” means <sup>3</sup>[\*\*\*] the chief officer-in-charge of the revenue administration of a district, and includes such other officer as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint to perform the functions of the Collector under these Rules in respect of any area;

(c) “Form” means a form in Schedule I;

(d) “Schedule” means a Schedule to these Rules;

<sup>4</sup>[(e) “Secretary” means Secretary, Special Secretary or Additional Secretary or a Joint Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs;]

(f) “Section” means a section of the Act.

### PART II CITIZENSHIP OF INDIA BY REGISTRATION

**3. Form of application for registration under section 5(1)(a).** – (1) An application for registration as citizen of India made under section 5(1)(a) shall be in Form I <sup>2</sup> [and shall be accompanied by an undertaking in writing that he/she will renounce the Citizenship of his/her country in the event of his/her application being sanctioned.]

<sup>5</sup>(2) The oath of allegiance specified in the Second Schedule to the Act shall be affirmed (or sworn), subscribed and attested before registration.]

<sup>2</sup>[(3) No application under sub-rule (1) shall lie unless the applicant was ordinarily resident in India for a period of five years immediately before the date of his application]

**4. Form of application for registration under section 5(1)(c).** – (1) An application by a <sup>6</sup>[person] for registration as citizen of India made under section 5(1)(c) shall be in Form II and shall be accompanied by an <sup>2</sup>[undertaking in writing that he/she will renounce the citizenship of his/her country in the event of his/her application being sanctioned.]

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1. Vide S.R.O. 1574, dated 7<sup>th</sup> July, 1956, published in Gazette of India, Extra, Pt. II Sec. 3 (i), dated 7<sup>th</sup> July, 1956.
  2. Ins by G.S.R.344 (E), dated April,2000 (w.e.f.20-4-2000).
  3. Omitted by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000)
  4. Subs. by G.S.R.383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

5. Ins by S.R.O. 1574, dated 19<sup>th</sup> December, 1969.

6. Subs. by G.S.R. 392 (E), dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 1987.

<sup>1</sup>[(2) The oath of allegiance specified in the Second Schedule to the Act shall be affirmed or sworn, subscribed and attested before registration.]

(3) An application under sub-rule (1) shall not lie unless for <sup>2</sup>[five years] immediately before the date of application, the applicant-

<sup>3</sup>[ (a) has been ordinarily resident in India; or]

(b) has been in the service of a Government in India.

Explanation. – In computing the period of <sup>2</sup>[five years], broken periods of residence and service under clauses (a) and (b) may be taken into account.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (3), in case of a woman married to a person in the service of a Government in India, the Central Government may, if in the special circumstances of the case it thinks fit, <sup>3</sup>[exempt such woman] from the operation of that sub-rule.

(5) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (3), in the case of a woman who has been married to an Indian citizen for not less than five years, whose marriage is still subsisting and who has visited India at least once, the Central Government may, if in the special circumstances it thinks fit, exempt such woman from the operation of that sub-rule.

**5. Form of application for registration under section 5(1)(d).** – An application for the registration of a minor child of a citizen of India as a citizen thereof made under section 5(1)(d) shall be in Form III and shall include the following particulars, that is to say-

- (a) a statement whether the applicant is a parent or guardian of the child, and, if he is a guardian, how he became a guardian;
- (b) a statement showing that each of the parents of the child is, or, if deceased, was at the time of death, a citizen of India;
- (c) a statement of the reasons for which it is desired that the child should be registered as a citizen of India.

**6. Form of application for registration under section 5(4).** – An application for the registration of a minor child as a citizen of India made under section 5(4) shall be in Form IV <sup>3</sup>[and shall include the following particulars-

- (a) a statement whether the applicant is a parent or guardian of the child and if he is a guardian, how he became the guardian;
- (b) a statement showing whether the child was adopted by the applicant and if so, documentary evidence to this effect;
- (c) a statement of the reasons for which it is desired that the child should be registered as a citizen of India.]

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1. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

2. Subs. by G.S.R. 392 (E), dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 1987.

3. Subs. by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000)

**7. Authority to which application is to be made.** – An application for registration shall be made to the Collector within whose jurisdiction the applicant is ordinarily resident.

<sup>1</sup>[On receipt of the application the Collector or any other officer authorized on his behalf shall issue an acknowledgement in Form IA.]

<sup>2</sup>**8. Authority to Register as Citizens.** – The authority to register a person as a citizen of India under clauses (a), (c), (d) and (e) of sub-section (1) of section 5 of the Act shall be any officer not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs and also includes such officer as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint <sup>3</sup>[\*\*\*].]

<sup>4</sup>**9. Collector to transmit all applications to Central Government with a report.** – (1) The collector shall transmit every application under section 5(1)(a), (c), (d) and (e) received by him to the State Government or the Union Territory Administration, as the case may be, within one hundred and twenty days from the date of its receipt, alongwith a report as to whether the applicant-

- (a) satisfies all the conditions laid down in the relevant clauses of section 5 of the Act;
- (b) has an intention to make India his permanent home;
- (c) has signed the oath of allegiance specified in the Second Schedule of the Act; and
- (d) is of good character and is otherwise a fit and proper person to be registered as a citizen of India.

(2) The State Government or the Union Territory Administration, as the case may be, shall forward the application along-with its recommendation and the report of the Collector, to the Central Government within a period of sixty days from the date of receipt of the report of the Collector.

(3) If for some reasons, the Collector or the State Government or the Union Territory administration, as the case may be, is unable to forward the application within the period specified in sub-rule (1) or (2), the same may be forwarded to the State Government or the Union Territory Administration or the Central Government, as the case may be, after the specified period alongwith the reasons for delay.

(4) The applications pending with the Collector or the State Government or the Union Territory administration, as the case may be, shall be dealt with in the manner prescribed in sub-rules (1) and (2) above.

(5) If the application is not forwarded by the collector or the State Government or the Union Territory Administration, as the case may be, to the Central Government within a period of one hundred and eighty days from the date of receipt of the application, the applicant may represent to the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs. Applicant shall enclose a copy of the acknowledgement issued by the office of the Collector. The Central Government on receipt of such representation may take up the matter with the State Government to expedite its recommendation on the application for grant of citizenship.

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1. Ins by G.S.R. 141 (E), dated 19<sup>th</sup> March, 1998.  
 2. Subs. by G.S.R. 567 (E), dated 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1986 and again subs. By G.S.R. 18 (E), dated 17<sup>th</sup> January, 1987.  
 3. Omitted by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f.20-4-2000).  
 4. Subs. by G.S.R. 141 (E), dated 19<sup>th</sup> March, 1998.

**10. Certificate of registration to be granted to persons registered.** –(1) Every person who is registered as a citizen of India under section 5(1)(a) or section 5(1)(b) shall be issued a certificate of registration in Form V <sup>1</sup>[duly signed by an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India.]

(2) Every person who is registered as a citizen of India under section 5(1)(c) of section 5(4) shall be issued a certificate of registration in Form VI <sup>1</sup>[duly signed by an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India.]

(3) When a certificate of citizenship is issued under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (2), a duplicate copy thereof shall be prepared and preserved for record by the issuing authority.

**11. Register of persons registered under section 5(1)(a).** –There shall be kept by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs. –

- (a) a register containing the names of minor children registered as citizens of India under section 5(1)(d), in Form VIII-PART I;
- (b) a register containing the names of persons registered as citizens of India under section 5(1)(a), in Form VII-PART I;
- (c) a register containing the names of the minor children whose applications for registrations as citizens of India under section 5(1)(d) have been rejected, in Form VIII-PART II.

**12. Register of persons registered under section 5(1)(c) and 5(4).** – There shall be kept by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs. –

- (a) a register containing the names of the <sup>2</sup>[persons] registered as citizens of India under section 5(1)(c) in Form IX;
- (b) a register containing the names of children registered as citizen of India under section 5(4) in Form X.

**13. Manner of making entries in register** – All entries made in the registers kept under rule 11 and 12 shall be numbered consecutively, and each entry shall relate to one person only.

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**15. Maintenance of register and connected papers.** –(1) Every entry made in the register kept under rule 11 and 12, shall be authenticated after a person is registered as a citizen of India.

(2) The registers and all papers connected with every application shall be preserved for permanent record.

**16.**<sup>4</sup>

**16A. Registration of citizens of Singapore under section 5(1)(e).** – (1) An application by a citizen of Singapore for registration as a citizen of India under section 5(1)(e) shall be in Form XIX.

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1. Ins. by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000).

2. Subs. by G.S.R. 392 (E), dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 1987.

3. Rule 14 omitted by G.S.R. 567 (E), dated 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1986.

4. Rule 16 omitted by G.S.R. 567 (E), dated 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1986.

<sup>1</sup>[(2) The oath of allegiance in the form specified in the Second Schedule to the Act shall be affirmed (or sworn) subscribed and attested before registration.]

(3) An application under sub-rule (1) shall not lie unless the applicant:-

- (a) is of full age and capacity;
- (b) is of good character;
- (c) has resided in India throughout the twelve months immediately preceding the date of his application;
- (d) has during the twelve years immediately preceding the date of his application resided in India for periods amounting in the aggregate to not less than eight years; and
- (e) intends to reside permanently in India.

**16B. Certificate of registration to be granted to persons registered and register of persons registered under section 5(1)(e).**—(1) Every person who is registered as a citizen of India under section 5(1)(e) shall be issued a certificate of registration in Form XX. When such a certificate is issued a duplicate copy thereof shall be prepared and preserved for record by the issuing authority.

(2) There shall be kept by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs, a register containing the names of persons registered a citizens of India under section 5(1)(e) in Form XXI.

**16C. Registration of citizens of Canada under section 5(1)(e).**—(1) An application by a citizen of Canada for registration as a citizen of India under section 5(1)(e) shall be in Form XXII.

(2) An application under sub-rule(1) shall not lie, unless the applicant-

- (a) is of full age and capacity;
- (b) has either resided in India or has been in the service of a Government in India, or partly the one and partly the other, throughout the period of twelve months immediately preceding the date of application;
- (c) has during the seven years immediately preceding the said period of twelve months resided in India or been in the service of a Government in India, or partly the one and partly the other, for period amounting in the aggregate to not less than four years;
- (d) has an adequate knowledge of a language specified in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution;
- (e) is of good character; and
- (f) has an intention to make India his permanent homes:

Provided that the Central Government may, if in the special circumstances of any particular case it thinks fit,-

- (i) allow a continuous period of twelve months ending not more than six months before the date of the application to be reckoned, for the purpose of clause (b) above, as if it had immediately preceded that date;
- (ii) allow periods of residence or service earlier than eight years before the date of the application to be reckoned in computing the aggregate mentioned in clause (c) above.

<sup>1</sup>[**16D. Reference to Tribunals.** – Where, in the case of a person seeking registration under sub-section (3) of section 6A of the Act. –

- (a) any question arises as to whether such person complies with any requirement contained in the said sub-section, or
- (b) the opinion of the Tribunal constituted under the Foreigners (Tribunals) Order, 1964 in relation to such person does not contain a finding with respect to any requirement contained in the said sub-section other the question that he is a foreigner, the registering authority shall, within fifteen days of receipt of an application in Form XXIII from such person, make a fresh reference to the Tribunal in this regard.

**16E. Jurisdiction of the Tribunal.** –A Tribunal constituted under the Foreigners (Tribunals) Order, 1964 having jurisdiction over a district or part thereof in State of Assam shall exercise jurisdiction to decide references, received from the registering authority of that district in relation to all references made under sub-section (3)of section 6A of the Act in respect of the corresponding area covered by the Tribunal.

**16F. The registering authority for the purpose of section 6A(3) and form of application for registration.** –(1) The registering authority, for the purpose of sub-section (3) of section 6A of the Act shall be such officer as may be appointed for each district of Assam by the Central Government.

(2) An application for registration under sub-section (3) of section 6A of the Act shall be filed in Form XXIII by the person with the registering authority for the district in which he is ordinarily resident. –

- (a) within thirty days from the date of his detection as a foreigner, where such detection takes place after the commencement of the Citizenship (Amendment) Rules, 1986; or
- (b) within thirty days of the appointment of the registering authority for the district concerned where such detection has taken place before the commencement of the Citizenship (Amendment) Rules, 1986.

(3) The registering authority shall, after entering the particulars of the application in a register in Form XXIV, return a copy of the application under his seal to the applicant.

(4) One copy of every application received during a quarter shall be sent by the registering authority to the Central Government and the State Government of Assam along with a quarterly return in Form XXV.

(5) The period referred to in sub-rule (2) may be extended for a period not exceeding sixty days by the registering authority for reasons to be recorded in writing.

**16G. Declaration under section 6A(6).** –the declaration referred to in clause (a) and (b) of sub-section (6) of section 6A of the Act shall be made to the District Magistrate of the area within whose jurisdiction the person concerned is ordinarily resident in Form XXVI.

### PART III

#### NATURALISATION AND RESUMPTION OF INDIAN CITIZENSHIP

**17. Form of application for naturalization.**— <sup>2</sup>[(1) An application for certificate of naturalization shall be made in Form XII to the Collector within whose jurisdiction the applicant is ordinarily resident and the Collector shall transmit every such application to the Central Government along with his report.]

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1. Ins. By G.S.R.25(E), dated 15<sup>th</sup> January, 1987.

2. Subs. G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000).

(2) Such application shall be accompanied by-

- (i) duly stamped affidavits from the applicant and two respectable Indian citizens testifying to the character of the applicant and the correctness of the statements made in the application; and
- (ii) a certificate to the effect that the applicant has an adequate knowledge of one of the languages specified in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution.

[<sup>1</sup>Explanation. –An applicant shall be considered to have adequate knowledge of the concerned language if he can speak or understand or read or write that language.

**18. Form of certificate of naturalization.** –(1) A certificate of naturalization shall be in Form XIII and shall be signed by <sup>2</sup>[an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary].

(2) There shall be kept by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs a register in Form XIV containing the names of persons to whom certificates of naturalization are granted under this rule.

**19. Oath of allegiance for purpose of naturalization.** –(1) The oath of allegiance required by section 6(2) to be taken by a person to whom a certificate of naturalization is granted shall be subscribed and attested in Form XIII and as so subscribed and attested shall be endorsed on the certificate of naturalization to which it relates.

(2) The oath of allegiance required as aforesaid shall be taken within three months from the date of the certificate of naturalization to which it relates, or within such extended time as the authority which granted the certificate may permit, and if the oath is not taken within the said time, the certificate shall have no effect.

Provided that permission shall not be deemed to have been given under this sub-rule unless a statement to that effect is endorsed on the certificate signed by a person authorized by rule 18 to sign certificate of naturalization.

(3) The oath of allegiance required as aforesaid shall be registered by such person and in such place as the authority which grants the certificate may direct.

(4) When the oath of allegiance is registered in accordance with any direction given under sub-rule (3), the authority which registers it shall cause a copy of the oath and of the certificate of naturalization to which it relates to be sent to the Secretary.

**20. Declaration of intention to resume Indian citizenship.** –(1) A declaration of intention to resume citizenship under the proviso to section 8(2) shall be in Form XV, and the oath of allegiance in that Form shall be duly subscribed and attested.

(2) Every such declaration shall be registered in the Ministry of Home Affairs of the Government of India.

(3) No such declaration shall be registered unless the declarant has taken the oath of allegiance given at the end of the Form.

(4) There shall be kept by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs a register in Form XVI containing the names of persons whose declarations of intention to resume Indian citizenship are registered under this rule.

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1. Ins. By G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000).  
 2. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.  
 3. Subs. by G.S.R. 25 (E), dated 15<sup>th</sup> January, 1987

PART IV  
**RENUNCIATION AND DEPRIVATION OF CITIZENSHIP OF INDIA**

**21. Declaration of renunciation of citizenship.**—(1) A declaration of renunciation of citizenship of India made under section 8(1) shall be in Form XVII, and shall state-

- (a) under what provisions of law the applicant is an Indian citizen, and national.
- (b) The circumstances in which the applicant is also a foreign citizen or national.

(2) The declaration shall be registered in the Ministry of Home Affairs of the Government of India.

(3) There shall be kept by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs a register in Form XVIII containing the names of persons whose declarations of intention to renounce citizenship are registered under this rule.

**22. Notice of proposed deprivation of citizenship.**—(1) When it is proposed to make an order under section 10 depriving a person of his citizenship of India, notice under sub-section (4) of that section shall be given-

- (a) in a case where that person's whereabouts are known, by causing the notice to be delivered to him personally or by sending it to him by post;
- (b) in a case where that person's whereabouts are not known, by sending it to his last known address.

(2) Where the Central Government has given notice as aforesaid and the person to whom it is given has the right on making application therefore to have his case referred to a Committee of Inquiry under section 10(5), the application shall be made-

- (a) if that person is in India at the time when the notice is given to him, within three months from the giving of the notice;
- (b) in any other case, within such time not being less than three months from the giving of the notice, as the Central Government may determine:

Provided that the Central Government may in special circumstance at any time extended the time within which the application may be made.

(3) Any notice given in accordance with the provisions of this rule shall, in a case in which the person to whom it is given has the right, on making application therefore, to have his case referred to a Committee of Inquiry under section 10(5), the application shall be made include a statement of the time within which such application must be made.

**23. Order depriving a person of Indian citizenship to be published.**—An order depriving a citizen of India of the citizenship of India shall be published in the Gazette of India.

**24. <sup>1</sup>[Cancellation of certificate registration or naturalization in case of deprivation of citizenship.**— (1) Where an order has been made depriving a person registered or naturalized in India of his citizenship of India, the person so deprived or any other person in possession of the relevant certificate of registration or naturalization shall, if required by notice in writing given by the Central Government, deliver up the said certificate to such person and within such time as may be specified in the notice. ]

2(a) If the said certificate is so delivered, it shall be cancelled.

(b) If the said certificate is not so delivered, the Central Government, shall direct that it shall be treated as canceled, but without prejudice to any action which may be taken under sub-rule (3).

(3) If any person fails to comply with any notice given under sub-rule (1), he shall be punishable with fine, which may extend to one thousand rupees.

**25. Committee to follow procedure in Schedule II in holding inquiry.** –A Committee of Inquiry appointed under section 10 shall, while holding the inquiry under sub-section (6) of that section follow the procedure laid down in Schedule II.

## PART V SUPPLEMENTAL

**26. Variations in form of application or declaration.** –Where a person wishes to make an application or declaration under any of these rules and the form referred to in the rule is, in the opinion of the Central Government or order authority to whom the application is to be sent for registration, unsuitable to the particular case, the Central Government or that other authority, as the case may be, may authorize the application or declaration being made in some other form.

**27. Certificate of citizenship in case of doubt.** –A certificate of citizenship in case of doubt issued under section 13 shall be in Form VI and shall be signed by <sup>1</sup>[an Officer not below the rank of Under Secretary.]

**28. Persons before whom application or declaration may be made or by whom, oath of allegiance may be administered.** –An application or declaration made in accordance with these Rules shall not be accepted or registered and the oath of allegiance required by section 5(2) or section 6(2) shall be of no effect unless it is signed in the presence of or administered by one of the following persons:-

(i) In India -

The Collector, Deputy Commissioner, District Magistrate, <sup>2</sup>[\*\*\*],

(ii) Elsewhere-

Any Consular officer as defined in rule 2(d) of the Citizens (Registration at Indian Consulates) Rules, 1956:

Provided that if the applicant, declarant or deponent is serving in India in the naval, military or air forces of the Union the application, or declaration may be signed in the presence of, or the oath administered, by any officer holding a commission in any of these forces.

**29. Certificate of documents.** –A document may be certified to be a true copy of a document by means of a statement in writing to that effect signed by any of the persons before whom the application or declaration may be made or whom the oath of allegiance may be administered <sup>1</sup>[or by any Officer not below the rank of an Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs.]

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1. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

2. Omitted by G.S.R.344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000)

**30. Authority to determine acquisition of citizenship of another country.** –(1) If any question arises as to whether, when or how any person had acquired the citizenship of another country, the authority to determine such question shall, for the purpose of section 9(2), is the Central Government.

(2) The Central Government shall in determining any such question have due regard to the rules of evidence specified in Schedule III.

**31. Fees.** –(1) The fees specified in Schedule IV shall be levied and collected in respect of the matters referred to in that Schedule:

Provided that no fee shall be levied and collected in respect of any of the said matter from a person of Indian origin who makes an application under section 5(1)(a) <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*]

(2) Of the fee payable in respect of the grant of a certificate of naturalization, a sum of <sup>2</sup>[Rs.200/- (Rupees 500/-)] if the application is submitted through an Indian Mission abroad) shall be payable on the submission of the application for a certificate and shall in no circumstances be refunded and the balance shall be payable on the receipt of the decision to grant a certificate.

(3) Of the fee payable for registration of a Canadian citizen under section 5(1)(e), a sum of Rs.15 (Rs.24.00 if the application is submitted through an Indian Mission abroad) on the submission of the application and shall in no circumstances be refunded and the balance shall be payable on the receipt of the decision to grant a certificate of registration.

<sup>3</sup>[**32. Authority for revision of an order made under the Act by the prescribed authority.** –(1) If an application is made by a person aggrieved by an order made under the provisions of the Act, the application shall be disposed off after giving a reasonable opportunity to the person affected to present his case, by an authority one rank higher than the authority prescribed for disposal of application against the order of which revision is sought. ]

#### SCHEDULE I (See rule 2(c))

<sup>4</sup>[This form when completed should be submitted in triplicate to Collector within whose jurisdiction the applicant is ordinarily resident for transmission to the Central Government the State Government or Union territory Administration, as the case may be.]

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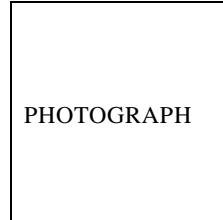
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 4. Subs. by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000).

**<sup>1</sup>[FORM -I**  
(See Rule 3)

CITIZENSHIP ACT, 1955 – SECTION 5(1) (a)

Application for registration as a citizen of India under Section 5(1) (a) of  
the Act made by a person of Indian origin

**PART 1**



1. I, A-B of (here insert address of applicant showing villages or town, Police Station, and name of the State) am of full age and capacity and was born at (with Tehsil, District and Province or States) on .....
2. My father's full name is /was.....and he was born at ..... on.....
3. My mother's full name is /was ..... and she was born at ..... on.....
4. I am single/married/ a widower/a widow/divorced/from my wife/husband.
5. My wife's/husband's full name is/was ..... And he/she was born at..... on.....
6. My age on the date of application is .....
7. Marks of identification :-
8. I have resided in India or been in the service of a Government in India or partly the one and partly the other throughout the period of five years immediately preceding the date of application.

Details of residence in India	From date	To date	Address and/or details of service under Government in India.

9. Profession or occupation other than Government service :  
(Here state details regarding designation, name and address of employer, station or posting etc..)

10. Passport particulars, if any –

- a) Number
- b) Place and date of issue
- c) Name of issuing authority.

11. Particulars of visa, if any, held by the applicant:-

- a) Number and date of visa
- b) Place of issue
- c) Name of issuing authority
- d) Period of authorized residence specified in the visa
- e) If extended, please quote authority

12. Description of immovable property and/or business interests in India:

Place	Brief description of property/business interests	At present in possession of

13. Details of family members who are staying in India with the applicant:

Serial No.	Name	Present Address	Relationship	Age

14. Details of members of family and other relations left in a country other than India :

Serial No.	Name	Present Address	Relationship	Age

PART II

15. I have/have not previously renounced or been deprived of the citizenship of India.

(If the applicant has renounced his or her Indian Citizenship, here State the date on which the declaration of renunciation was made; or if he or she has been deprived of his or her citizenship state the date on which and the authority by whom, the order of deprivation was made.)

16.I have/have not previously applied for registration as a citizen of India and the applicant has/has not been rejected.

17.Name and full address of two references in India to whom the applicant is well known.

I declare that my intention is to make India my permanent home and I undertake that I shall renounce the citizenship of my country in the event of my application being sanctioned.

I, A-B do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars, stated in this application are true, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Signature

Made and subscribed this .....day .....of .....20.....before me.

\*Signature

\*Designation

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization, that I am a householder, and that I am not the solicitor or agent of.....I vouch for the correctness of the statement made by .....in his application for .....

Signature.....

Name in (BLOCK LETTERS).....

Full Postal Address.....

I, A-B.....do solemnly affirm (or swear) that I will bear true faith and and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established, and that I will faithfully observe the laws of India and fulfill my duties as a citizen of India.

Signature.....

Affirmed/Sworn and subscribed this .....day.....of .....20.....before me.

\*Signature.....

\*Designation.....

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\*Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 28 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before who the registration, declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken.

<sup>1</sup>[**FORM 1A**]

*Acknowledgement for the application for grant of citizenship under section 5(1) (a), (c), (d) and (e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (See rules 7 and 9)*

Received application from Miss/Ms/Mr.....d/o, w/o,s/o.....resident of ..... for registration under section 5(1)(a)/(c)/(d)/(e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955.

Note – Strike out whichever is not applicable.

Dated:

Signature with seal  
of the receiving officer]

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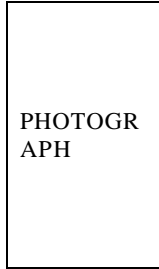
1. Ins by G.S.R. 141 (e), dated 19<sup>th</sup> March, 1998.

<sup>2</sup>[FORM II

(See rule 4)

CITIZENSHIP ACT 1955 – SECTION 5(1) (C)

Application for registration as a citizen of India under section 5(1) (c) of the Act made by a (person) who is/has been married to a citizen of India.



1. A-B (here insert address of applicant) was born at ..... on.....
2. My father's full name is/was .....and he was born at.....on.....
3. I was married at.....on.....to.....C-D.....  
  
(here insert full name of husband/wife) of/late of (here insert husband's/wife's address, or last address if he/she is deceased)
4. My (husband/wife) was born at .....on.....
5. My (husband's/ wife's ) father's full name is /was.....and he was born at..... on.....
6. My marriage is still subsisting/has terminated by reason of.....  
  
[If the marriage is not subsisting, state whether it was terminated by the (husband's/wife's) death or by divorce]
7. My (husband/wife) is/was a citizen of India by reason of the fact that :  
  
(Here state the grounds on which it is claimed that the applicant's husband/wife is or was a citizen of India)
8. I have resided in India or been in the service of a Government in India or partly the one and partly the other throughout the period of (five years) immediately preceding the date of application.

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2. Subs. by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000)

Details of residence	From date	To date	Address and/or details of service under Government in India.

9. Passport particulars :

- a) Number
- b) Place and date of issue
- c) Name of issuing authority

10. Particulars of visa, if any, held by the applicant

- a) Number and date of visa
- b) Place of issue
- c) Name of issuing authority
- d) Period of authorized residence specified in the visa
- e) If extended, please quote authority.

11. I undertake that I shall renounce the citizenship of my country in the event of my application being sanctioned.

12. I have contracted the following other marriages :-

[Here state place and date of marriage and name and nationality or citizenship of (husband/wife) in each case]

13. I have/have not previously renounced or been deprived of the citizenship of India.

14. Marks of identification.

15. Profession or occupation.

I, A-B do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars stated in this application are true and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Signature.....

Made and subscribed this..... Day.....of 20 .....before me

\*Signature.....

\*Designation.....

I, the undersigned hereby state that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalisation; that I am householder, and that I am not the solicitor or agent of .....I vouch for the correctness of the statements made by ..... in (his/her) application for .....

Signature .....  
Name (BLOCK LETTERS).....  
Full postal address .....

Oath of allegiance

I, A-B do, solemnly affirm (or swear) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established, and that I will faithfully observe the laws of India and fulfill my duties as a citizen of India.

\*Signature.....  
\*Designation.....

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\*Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 28 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before whom the registration declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken.

(This Form complete in all respects shall be submitted in triplicate to the Collector within whose jurisdiction the applicant is ordinarily resident for transmission to the Central Government through the State Government or the Union Territory administration, as the case may be.)]

FORM III

(See rule 5)

Citizenship Act, 1955 – Section 5(1) (d)

Application for the registration of a minor child

1. Full name of the minor child

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

If he/she has been known by another name, enter that name here.

Present address.

Place and date of birth.

2. Father's full name

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

Mother's full name

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

\*\*Grounds on which the minor's parents claim Indian Citizenship.

3. Minor's period of residence in India :-

With whom residing	From date	To date	Address

Application

I..... am a citizen of India and a parent/guardian of ..... to whom the foregoing particulars relate. I hereby apply on behalf of my/the child for his/her registration as a citizen of India.

Date .....

Signature of applicant.....

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am an Indian Citizen otherwise than by naturalization; that I am a householder; and that I am not the solicitor or agent of .....I vouch for the correctness of the statements made by .....in his application for .....

Date.....

Signature .....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS).....

Full postal address .....

Declaration

I, A-B do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars stated in the application are true and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Date .....

Signature .....

Made and subscribed this .....day .....19.....before me.

Signature .....

\*Designation .....

\*\* If a citizen of India by registration of naturalization, please refer to the number and date of the certificate of Registration or naturalization as the case may be.

\* The designation of the officer signing should be written here in his hand.

*This form when completed should be forwarded in triplicate to the Chief Secretary to the Government of the State in which the applicant is resident.*

**FORM IV**

(See rule 6)

Citizenship Act, 1955 – Section 5(4)

Application for the registration of a minor child

1. Full name of the minor child in country of origin .....

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

If he/she has been known by another name,

enter that name here. ....

Present address .....

Occupation .....

Place and date of birth .....

Nationality or citizenship at birth .....

Present nationality if different .....

If stateless, say how nationality was lost .....

2. Father's full name in his country or origin .....

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

Nationality or citizenship .....

Country or origin .....

Mother's full name in her country of origin .....

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

Nationality or citizenship .....

Country or origin .....

3. Particulars of residence with address

(a) India	From date	To date	Years	Months

(b)Other countries			

The minor's intentions with regard to future residence, if this application is granted, are as follows :-

4. Approximate date of any previous; application

for naturalization or registration .....

Reference number, if known .....

Particulars of any change of nationality

Or of citizenship since birth. ....

	Nationality or citizenship acquired	Date acquired

Reasons for and the manner of change of nationality or citizenship -----

5. Details of all proceedings of any kind (civil or criminal)

taken against the minor in court of law .....

Nature	Date	Place	Result

- 6. The minor's knowledge of a principal Indian language (to be mentioned) is slight/fair/good/excellent.....
- 7. Reasons for which the applicant desires to acquire Citizenship of India .....
- 8. Names and particulars of near relations in India.....

Serial No.	Name	Present Address	Relationship	Age

Application

[Complete either (a) or (b) or (c) or (d) of this portion of application and cross out whichever sections are inappropriate].

The minor child

(a) I,..... the minor child to whom the foregoing particulars relate, hereby apply for registration as citizen of India and attach the consent of any parent/guardian to this application.

(b) I, .....am a citizen of India and a parent of .....to whom the foregoing particulars relate. I hereby apply on behalf of my child for his/her registration as a citizen of India.

The parent who is not a citizen of India

(c) I,.....am a parent of .....to whom the foregoing particulars relate and am a national/citizen of the State of .....and I hereby apply on behalf of .....for his/her registration as a citizen of India.

The guardian

(d) I, .....am the (sole) natural/appointed guardian of .....to whom the foregoing particulars relate, who has no living parent/whose parent or parents are living and resident in .....I am duly authorized by the court or by the minor child's father (or mother in the event of his death) whose consent is attached, and I hereby apply on behalf of .....for his/her registration as a citizen of India.

The reasons for this application are .....

Date .....19.....

Signature of applicant

Declaration

I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the particulars stated in this application are true and I undertake to inform the Secretary immediately, if, before the registration now applied for is effected the particulars given above require amendment, in consequence of any change in (a) my circumstances; (b) the circumstances of the minor girl child, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Signature of applicant .....

Minor child /Parent/Guardian

Made and subscribed this ..... day of .....19..... before me.

Signature and designation of the officer  
Authorized under rule 28 of the Citizen-  
ship Rules, 1956 before whom the Regis-  
tration, declaration or oath of allegiance  
is made or taken.

I, the undersigned hereby state that I am a householder and an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization. I am not the solicitor or agent of .....and I vouch for his/her good character and loyalty.

I support this application from personal knowledge of and intimate acquaintance with the applicant for .....years.

Date .....

Signature.....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS).....

Full postal address.....

2. I, the undersigned hereby state that I am a householder and an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization. I am not the solicitor or agent of .....and vouch for his/her good character and loyalty. I support this application from personal knowledge of and intimate acquaintance with the applicant for .....years.

Date .....

Signature .....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS).....

Full postal address .....

<sup>1</sup>[FORM V

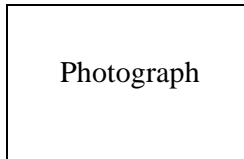
(See rule 10)

Certificate of registration

No.....

This is to certify that the person whose particulars are given below has been registered as a citizen of India under the provisions of section 5(1)(a)(d) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 –

1. Name
2. Name of father/mother or husband
3. Place of birth
4. Age
5. Present address
6. Special peculiarities and identification marks
7. Occupation



Signature of grantee .....

Signature and designation of the  
Issuing authority.

Date and place of issue

Signature and Designation of the issuing  
authority]

**FORM VI**

[See rules 10((2) and 27]

Citizenship Act, 1955

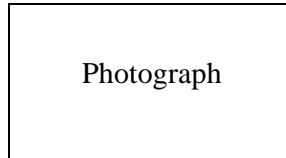
Certified that.....whose particulars and photograph are furnished below,  
has <sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*] satisfied the conditions laid down in the  
Constitution of India

-----  
Citizenship Act, 1955

And is accordingly recognized as a citizen of India.

Particulars

- Age .....
- Height .....
- Hair .....
- Eyes .....
- Special peculiarities and  
Identification marks .....
- Name and Surname  
(in BLOCK LETTERS) .....
- Date of birth .....
- Nationality of origin .....
- Surname and forenames of father  
(in BLOCK LETTERS) .....
- Occupation or profession .....
- <sup>2</sup>[Present address] .....



Signature of the grantee  
Date and place of issue

Signature and Designation  
of the issuing authority

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1. Omitted by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981  
2. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

**FORM VII**  
**PART I**  
[See rule ii (a)]

<sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*]

S.No.	Name	Father's name	Date of Birth	Last permanent address outside India	Date from which resident in India	Present address	Date of registration	Remarks (nature of evidence produced regarding the eligibility for registration)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

\* Entries under this column should be sufficiently detailed to facilitate checking at a future date, if necessary. When the evidence is in the form of certificate, the name and the address of the person signing the certificate should be entered here.

Note – Serial No. in this register should correspond with the number in the registration certificate.

**PART II**  
{See rule 11(c)}

<sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*]

S.No.	Name	Father's name	Date of Birth	Last permanent address outside India	Present address	Date of registration	Remarks (nature of evidence produced regarding the eligibility for registration)	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

\* Entries under this column should be sufficiently detailed to facilitate checking at a future date, if necessary. Once an application is rejected, it should be possible to identify the person, if he again makes an application.

**FORM VIII****PART I**

[See rule 11 (b)]

Citizenship Act, 1955 – Register of minor children registered as Indian citizens under section 5(1) (d)

S.No.	Name	Father's name	Date of birth	Present address	Date of registration	* Remarks (nature of evidence produced regarding the eligibility for registration)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

\* Entries under the column should be sufficiently detailed to facilitate checking at a future date, if necessary. When the evidence is in the form of a certificate, the name and the address of the person signing the certificate should be entered here.

Note – Serial No. in this registration should correspond with the number in the registration certificate.

**PART II**

(See rule II (d))

Citizenship Act, 1955 – Register of applications of minor children, who apply for registration under section 5(1) (d) which have been rejected.

S.No.	Name	Father's name	Date of birth	Present address	Date of registration	*Remarks (brief reasons why the application has been rejected)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

\* Entries under this column should be sufficiently detailed to facilitate checking at less a future date, if necessary. Once an application is rejected, it should be possible to identify the person, if he again makes an application.

**FORM IX**  
[See rule 12(a)]

Citizenship Act, 1955 – Register of alien <sup>1</sup>[persons] registered a Indian citizens

S. No.	Full name of applicant and address	Occupation	Place and date of birth	Nationality	Marital Status	Full name and address of [husband/wife]	Whether applicant has formally renounced or lost <sup>1</sup> [his/her] former nationality or given an undertaking in writing to renounce it if application is sanctioned Reference to documentary evidence furnished to be given.	Particulars as to date and place of taking of oath of allegiance and actual issue of certificate	Reference letter from State Government forwarding details of application	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

**FORM X**

[See rule 12 (b)]

Register of minors registered as Indian citizens under section 5(4)

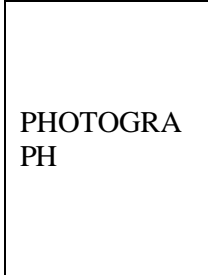
S.No.	Full name of applicant and address	Place and date of birth	Full name and address of parents	Full name and address of guardian	Date of registration	Reference to letter from State Government forwarding details of application	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

**FORM XI**<sup>1</sup>[\*\*\*]

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1. Omitted by G.S.R. 567 (E), dated 1<sup>st</sup> April 1986.

<sup>1</sup>[FORM XII  
PART I  
[see rule 17 (1)]  
CITIZENSHIP ACT, 1955 – SECTION 6(1)  
Application by a person for a certificate of naturalization



1. Full name of applicant in country of origin  
(in BLOCK LETTERS) -----

If now community known by another name,  
Enter such name here -----

Private address -----

Occupation -----

Business address -----

Place and date of birth -----

Nationality at birth -----

Present nationality, if different -----

State whether single, married, widower,  
Widow or divorced -----

2. Father's full name in the country of origin  
(in BLOCK LETTERS) -----

Present address (if living) -----

Present nationality (if dead, give nationality  
at the time of death) -----

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1. Subs. by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20-4-2000).

Mother's full name in the country of origin  
(in BLOCK LETTERS) -----  
Present address (if living) -----

Present nationality (if dead give nationality  
at the time of death) -----

3. Whether the applicant is a subject or citizen  
of any country where an Indian citizen is  
prevented by law or practice of that country  
from becoming a subject or citizen of that  
country by naturalization. -----

4. Principal languages of India known and  
extent of knowledge thereof with evidence -----

5. Statement regarding residence :  
(a) I have resided in India or been in the  
Service of a Government in India or  
Partly the one and partly the other  
Throughout the period of 12 months  
Immediately preceding the date of  
this application. -----

(b) During the twelve years  
Immediately preceding the  
Said period of twelve months.  
I have either resided in India  
Or been in the service of a  
Government in India or partly  
The one and partly the other, for  
Periods amounting in the aggregate  
To not less than nine years. -----

Details of such residence and/or service	From date	To date	Address and or details of service under a Government in India	Years	Months

If this application is granted, my intention as to future residence, (and/or service under a Government in India) is as follows :

6. Reasons for which applicant wishes to acquire India Citizenship -----

7. Approximate date of any previous application for naturalization -----

8. I undertake that I shall renounce the citizenship of my country in accordance with the law in force in that behalf in the event of my application being sanctioned. -----

9. If original name has been altered, give particulars Date of alteration -----

Give particulars of any other name(s) used for trading or business purposes .....

Give particulars of any other name(s) used for trading or business purposes .....

10. If nationality has changed since birth give circumstances of change -----

If now of no nationality give circumstances In which the previous nationality was lost -----

Give details with date of foreign countries Visited during periods of residence shown in item 5 -----

11. Give details of all proceedings of any kind (civil or criminal) taken against you in courts of law. -----

Nature	Date	Place	Result



Station.....

Date.....

Affidavit to accompany the application for a certificate of naturalization under the Citizenship Act, 1995.

In the matter of the application..... Under the Citizenship Act, 1955, I.....son of ..... Residing at .....make oath and say .....do solemnly and sincerely affirm that the statements contained in my application here unto annexed are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

If, at any time before a certificate is issued to me, the accuracy of any of the foregoing particulars is affected by an alteration in circumstances. I undertake to inform the Secretary to the Ministry of Home Affairs in writing forthwith.

Signature .....

Station.....

Date .....

This declaration must not be made before a person who is the solicitor or agent of the applicant.

**Caution** :Section 17 of the Citizenship Act, 1955, provides that “Any person who, for the purpose of procuring anything to be done or not to be done under this Act. Knowingly makes any representation which is false in a material particular shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine, or with both.”

Affidavits testifying the character of the applicant and the correctness of the statements made in the application.

(Vide Item 16)

In the matter of an application for a certificate of naturalisation under the Citizenship Act, 1955, made by ..... I..... aged.....years, by occupation.....son of .....residing at .....make oath and say..... Do solemnly and sincerely affirm that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization; that I am a householder; that I am not a solicitor or agent of .....that I have personal knowledge of, and intimate acquaintance with, the said .....for.....years; that the statements contained in his/her application for naturalization are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I support .....’s application for naturalization and I can vouch for his/her good character and loyalty.

Signature.....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Full postal address

Date .....

In the matter of an application for a certificate of naturalisation under the Citizenship Act, 1955, made by .....I.....aged.....years, by occupation.....son of .....residing at.....make oath and say..... Do solemnly and sincerely affirm that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization; that I am a householder; that I am not a solicitor or agent of .....that I have personal knowledge of, and intimate acquaintance with, the said .....for.....years; that the statements contained in his/her application for naturalization are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I support .....’s application for naturalization and I can vouch for his/her good character and loyalty.

Signature.....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Full postal address

Date .....

Copies of two issues (in triplicate) of a newspaper or newspapers circulating in the district in which the applicant resides each containing (clearly marked) an advertisement in the following form should accompany the application.

“Notice is hereby given that.....of.....is applying to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs for naturalization and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written signed statement of the facts of the said Secretary.”

**<sup>1</sup>FORM XIII**

(SEE RULE 18)  
Citizenship Act, 1955  
Certificate of Naturalisation

Whereas A-B has applied for a certificate of naturalization, alleging with respect to himself (herself) the particulars set out below, and has satisfied the Government that the conditions laid down in the above mentioned Act for the grant of naturalization are fulfilled in the case of the said .....A-B.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the said Act, the Government hereby grants to the said A-B this certificate of naturalization, and declares that, upon taking the oath of allegiance within the time and in the manner required by the rules made in that behalf he/she shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act, be entitled to all political and other rights, powers and privileges and be subject to all obligations, duties and liabilities to which an Indian citizen is entitled or subject to, and have to all intents and purposes the status of an Indian citizen.

In witness whereof I have hereto subscribed my name this day of .....



Under Secretary  
to the Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs

Particulars

- Full Name .....
- Address .....
- Profession or occupation .....
- Place and date of birth .....
- Nationality .....
- Single, married etc.....
- Name and nationality of wife/husband .....
- Name and nationality of father .....
- Name and nationality of mother .....

1. Subs. by G.S.R. 344 (E), dated 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2000 (w.e.f. 20.4.2000)

### Oath of allegiance

I, A-B, do solemnly affirm (or swear) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established and that I will faithfully observe the laws of India and fulfil my duties as a citizen of India.

Signature .....

Designation.....

Affirmed/Sworn and subscribed this .....day .....of 20.....before me

Signature.....

Designation .....

\* Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 28 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before whom the registration, declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken]

### FORM XIV [See rule 19(2)] Citizenship Act, 1955

#### Register of certificate of Naturalisation and Oaths of Allegiance

S. No	Full Name and address	Profession of occupation	Place and date of birth	Previous nationality	Married, single, widower, widow divorced	Full name of wife/ husband	Full name of parents	Date of certificate as signed and sent to the State Govt.	<sup>1</sup> [Attestation by Secretary/Joint Secretary Deputy Secretary/Under Secretary of Ministry of Home Affairs	Particulars as to date and place of taking of oath of allegiance and actual issue of certificate	Reference to letter from State Government forwarding details of application	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

This form when completed should be forwarded in triplicate to the Chief Secretary to the Government of the State in which the applicant is resident.

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1. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

**FORM XV**  
[See rule 20]  
Citizenship Act, 1955- Section 8

*Declaration of intention to resume Indian Citizenship under section 8(2) of the Act made by a person who has ceased to be an Indian citizen on the loss of Indian citizenship by his father in accordance with the provisions of section 8(1) of the Act.*

- 1. I, A-B, of (here insert address of declarant) was born at .....on.....
- 2. My father's full name is/was .....
- 3. I ceased to be an Indian citizen by virtue of sub-section 8 of the Citizenship Act, 1955, on ..... by reason of the fact that

[ Here state the cause whereby the declarant's father and the declarant ceased to be Indian citizens, the year and date in which they ceased to be Indian citizens and all other relevant information.]

- 4. If I had not so ceased to be in Indian citizen, I should now be an Indian citizen by reason of the fact that

[Here state the grounds on which the declarant claims that he or she would have been such a citizen]

- 5. I hereby declare my intention to resume Indian citizenship and apply to the Central Government to register this declaration.

I, A-B, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars stated in this declaration are true and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Signature .....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS)

.....

Full postal address.....

.....

Oath of allegiance

I, A-B, do solemnly affirm (or swear) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established, and that I will faithfully observe the laws of India and fulfil my duties as a citizen of India.

Signature .....

Designation.....

Affirmed/Sworn and subscribed this.....day of .....19.....before me.

\*Signature.....

\*Designation.....

\* Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 28 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before whom the registration, declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken.

Full Name .....

Address .....

Profession or occupation .....

Place and date of birth .....

Nationality .....

Single, married, etc. ....

Name of wife or husband .....

Name and nationalities of parents .....

Name and particulars of minor children, if any .....

**FORM XVI**  
[See rule 20 (3)]  
Citizenship Act, 1955

Register of declarations of resumption of Indian citizenship

S. No	Full Name and address	Profession of occupation	Place and date of birth	Nationality of declarant's parents	Full name of parents	Married, single, widower, widow or divorced	Place where and date when declaration made	Reference to orders etc. from Ministry of Home Affairs	[Attestation by Secretary/Joint Secretary Deputy Secretary/Under Secretary Ministry of Home Affairs	Reference to letter along with which declaration of resumption received	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

This form when completed should be forwarded in triplicate to the Chief Secretary to the Government of the State in which the applicant is resident.

1. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

**FORM XVII**  
[See rule 21 (1)]  
Citizenship Act, 1955 – Section 8

Declaration of renunciation of citizenship under section 8 of the Act made by a citizen of India who is also a citizen or national of another country.

1. I, A-B, of (here insert address of declaration) am of full capacity and was born at..... on
2. I have/have not been married.
3. I am citizen /national of .....under the law of that country.
4. I hereby renounce my citizenship of India.

I, A-B, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars stated in this declaration are true, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Signature .....

Made and subscribed this .....day of .....19..... before me.

Signature .....

Designation.....

Particulars

Full Name .....

Address .....

Profession or occupation .....

Place and date of birth.....

(second) Nationality .....

Single, married, etc. ....

Name of wife or husband .....

Names and nationalities of parents .....

Names and full particulars of children, if any .....

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization that I am householder; and that I am not the solicitor or agent of .....I vouch for the correctness of the statements made by .....in his application for .....

Signature .....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS)

.....

Full postal address .....

.....

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\*Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 28 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before whom the registration, declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken.

**FORM XVIII**

## Citizenship Act, 1955

## Register of declarations of resumption of Indian citizenship

S. No	Full Name and addresses	Profession of occupation	Place and date of birth	Nationality of declarant's parents	Full names of parents	Married, single, widower, widow or divorced	Place where and date when declaration made	Reference to orders etc. from Ministry of Home Affairs	<sup>1</sup> [Attestation by Secretary/Joint Secretary Deputy Secretary/Under Secretary of Ministry of Home Affairs	Reference to letter along with which declaration of resumption received	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

This form when completed should be forwarded in triplicate to the Chief Secretary to the Government of the State in which applicant is resident.

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1. Subs. by G.S.R. 383 (E), dated 4<sup>th</sup> June, 1981.

**FORM XIX**

[See rule 16A]

Citizenship Act, 1955 – Section 5(1) (e)

1. I, A-B, (here insert address of the applicant showing district and name of the State) am of full age and capacity and was born at (with place and country) on.....
2. My father's full name is/was .....and he was born at .....
3. I am single/married/widower/widow/divorced from my wife/husband.....
4. My wife's/husband's full name is/was .....
5. My age on the date of application is.....
6. Marks of identification .....
7. Date of first arrival in India.....
8. Particulars of residence in India with address.....

Address	From date	To date	Year	Months

9. I am a citizen of .....My passport/naturalization certificate/registration certificate as a citizen of .....was issued at.....on.....day.....month.....years.  
(Here write place and date of issue)
10. (a) I have not been away from India through the twelve months immediately preceding the date of application.  
(b) I have resided in India during the twelve years immediately preceding the date of this application for periods amounting in the aggregate to not less than eight years.  
(c) I intend to reside permanently in India.
11. Profession or occupation.....
12. the name of the employer, if any.....
13. Passport particulars, if any ;  
(a) Number .....
- (b) Place and date of issue .....
- (c) Name of issuing authority.....

## 14. Description of immovable property and/or business interests in India/abroad.

Place	Brief description of property/business interests	At present in possession of

## 15. Details of family members who are staying with the applicant in India.

S.No.	Name	Present address	Relationship	Age

## 16. Details of members of family left in a country other than India.

S.No.	Name	Present address	Relationship	Age

## 17. Give details of all proceedings of any kind (civil or criminal) taken against you in courts.

Nature	Date	Place	Result

18. Names and addresses of two references in India to whom the applicant is well known.

- (i)
- (ii)

I, A-B .....do solemnly and sincerely declare that the foregoing particulars stated on this application are true, and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true.

Signature .....

Made and subscribed this.....day .....of .....before me.

\*Signature .....

\*Designation.....

I, the undersigned, hereby state that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization; that I am a householder; and that I am not the solicitor or agent of .....I vouch for the correctness of the statements made by .....in the application for.....

Signature .....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS).....

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full postal address.....

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Oath of allegiance

I, A-B.....do solemnly affirm (or swear) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established and that I will faithfully observe the laws of India and fulfil my duties as a citizen of India.

Signature.....

Affirmed and subscribed this.....day of .....19..... before me.

\*Signature.....

\*Designation.....

\*Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 28 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before whom the registration declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken.

**FORM XX**

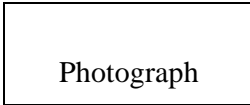
[See rule 16B)

**Certificate of Registration**

No.....

This is to certify that the person whose particulars are given below has been registered as a citizen of India under the provisions of section 591)(e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 –

1. Name.
2. Name of father/husband
3. Date of birth
4. Place of birth
5. Nationality of origin
6. Occupation
7. Address
8. Special peculiarities and identification marks.



Signature and designation of issuing authority

Signature of grantee .....

Date and place of issue.....

**FORM XXI**

[See rule 16B]

Citizenship Act, 1955

Register of persons registered as Indian citizens under section 5(1)(e)

S. No	Full name address of applicant	Father's name	Place & date of birth	Nationality	Last permanent address outside India	Date from which resident in India	Date of registration	Reference letter from state govt. forwarding application	Remarks

**FORM XXII**

[see rule 16(c)]

[This form when completed should be submitted in triplicate to the Collector within whose jurisdiction the applicant is ordinarily resident for transmission to the Central Government through the State Government/Union Territory Administration, together with a fee of Rs. 15 (Rs.24.00 if the application is submitted through an Indian Mission abroad) (by Treasury challan) payable on submission of an application.]

Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) – Section 5(1) (e)

Application by a citizen of Canada for registration as an Indian citizen

1. Full name of applicant in country of origin

(in BLOCK LETTERS)

If now commonly known by another name,

Enter such name here.....

Private address.....

Occupation .....

Business address .....

Place and date of birth .....

Special peculiarities or marks of identification .....

Nationality at birth .....

Particulars of passport held: .....

(a) Number .....

(b) Place and date of issue .....

(c) Name of issuing authority .....

2. If original name has been altered

Give particulars .....

Date of alteration .....

Give particulars of any other name (s) used for trading or business .....

Give particulars of any other name (s) used for trading or business purpose .....

3. Father's full name in country of origin

(in BLOCK LETTERS) .....

Present address (if living) .....

Present nationality (if dead, give nationality at the time of death)

Mother's full name in country of origin ( in BLOCK LETTERS)

Present nationality (if dead, give nationality at the time of death)

4. If married, give the date and place of marriage .....

Husband's or wife's full name before marriage ( in BLOCK LETTERS) .....

and present nationality .....

If husband or wife is dead, give the date and place of death .....

If marriage has been dissolved give the date and place .....

5. Give details of family members in India :-

Full name	Date and place of birth	Relationship	Nationality	Present address

6. Give details of family members residing abroad :-

Full name	Date and place of birth	Relationship	Nationality	Present address

7. Principal languages of India known and extent of knowledge thereof with evidence (Certificate to be attached).....

8. Statement regarding residence :-

- (a) I have resided in India or been in the service of a Government in India or partly the one and partly the other, throughout the period of twelve months immediately preceding the date of this application, and

(b) During the seven years immediately preceding the said period of twelve months. I have either resided in India or been in the service of a Government in India or partly the one and partly the other, for periods amounting in the aggregate to not less than four years as follows :-

Details of residence and/or service	From date	To date	Address and/or details or service under a Government of India	Years	Months

If this application is granted, my intention as to future residence (and/or service under a Government in India) is as follows .....

9. Description of immovable property and/or business interest in India.....
10. Description of immovable property and/or business interests abroad.....
11. Reasons for which applicant wishes to acquire Indian citizenship.....
12. Approximate date, and particulars of any previous application for grant of Indian citizenship.....
13. Give details with dates of foreign countries visited during periods of residence shown in item 8 above.....
14. Give details all proceeding of any kind (civil or criminal) taken against you in the courts

Nature	Date	Place	Result

15. If a woman who was an Indian citizen previous to her marriage, whether her husband has died or whether her marriage has been dissolved.....
16. Names and address of two persons whose stamped affidavits testifying to the character of the applicant and the correctness of the statements made in this application are attached herewith.....
  - (i) .....
  - (ii) .....

I, the undersigned, to whom the foregoing particulars relate, hereby apply to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs for my registration as a citizen of India under section 5(1) (e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955). I undertake to

renounce my Canadian citizenship and to take the oath of allegiance in the form specified in the Second Schedule to the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) in the even of my application for registration as an Indian citizen being accepted.

Signature.....

Station.....

Date.....

Specimen of affidavit (on duly stamped paper; to accompany the application for registration under section 5(1)(e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955).

In the matter of application for registration under section 5(1) (e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 son of .....residing at.....

Make oath say

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do solemnly and sincerely affirm that the statements contained in my application here into annexed are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

If at any time before a certificate is issued to me, the accuracy of any of the foregoing particulars is affected by an alteration in circumstances. I undertake to inform the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs in writing forwith,

Signature.....

Station.....

Date.....

This declaration must not be made before a person who is the solicitor or agent of the applicant.

[Caution : Section 17 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) provides that” Any person who for the purpose of prœcuring anything to be done or not to be done under this Act, knowingly makes any representation which is false in a material particular shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine, or with both]

Specimen of affidavit (on duly stamped paper) testifying to the character of the applicant and the correctness of the statements made in the application, (vide item 16).

In the matter of an application for a certificate of registration under section 5(1) (e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955), to made by.....

I.....aged.....years of occupation..... son of.....residing at ..... make oath and say

Do solemnly and sincerely affirm that I am an Indian citizen otherwise than by naturalization; that I am a householder; that I am not a solicitor or agent of .....that I have

personal knowledge of, and intimate acquaintance with the said.....for .....years; that the statements contained in his/her application for registration are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I support .....’s application for registration and I am vouch for his/her good character and loyalty.

Signature .....Date.....

Name (in BLOCK LETTERS)

Full postal address.....

Note – Copies of two issues (in triplicate) of a newspaper or newspapers circulating in the district in which the applicant resides, each containing (clearly marked) an advertisement in the following form should accompany the application, namely :-

“Notice is hereby given that .....of .....a Canadian citizen, is applying to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs for his registration as an Indian citizen under section 5(1) (e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) and that any person who knows any reason why its request for Indian citizenship should not be granted should send a written signed statement of the facts to said Secretary so as to reach him within 21 days of the publication of this notice”

Specimen of Oath of Allegiance

[See the Second Schedule to the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955)]

[To be taken by the applicant for registration under section 5(1) (e) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) has been accepted by the Central Government, but before he is registered as an Indian citizen.]

I.....do solemnly affirm (or swear) that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established and that I will faithfully observe the laws of India and fulfil my duties as a citizen of India.

Signature .....

Date .....

Affirmed/sworn and subscribed this.....day of.....19.....before me..

Signature.....

Designation.....

\* Signature and designation of the officer authorized under rule 18 of the Citizenship Rules, 1956, before whom the registration, declaration or oath of allegiance is made or taken.

<sup>1</sup>[FORM XXIII

[see rules 16d and 16F (1)]

**TO BE FILED IN QUADRUPLICATE BY THE PERSON SEEKING  
REGISTRATION**

Application for registration under section 6A of the Citizenship Act, 1955

\_\_\_\_\_  
Passport SizePhotograph  
\_\_\_\_\_

1. Name in full of applicant  
(Block Capitals, surname first) .....
2. Father's/Husband's name .....
3. Date and place of birth .....
4. Sex, Height, Colour of eyes .....
5. Whether of Indian origin – If so, how .....
6. Present nationality .....
7. Occupation or profession .....
8. Date and place of arrival in Assam from Bangladesh.....
9. First address, in Assam after arrival.....
10. Present address in Assam.....
11. Date from which ordinarily resident in Assam .....
12. Date and place of detection as a foreigner .....
13. Name and address of the Tribunal declaring him/her as a foreigner,  
Case number and date of order .....
14. Name of husband/wife and children .....
15. Physical identification marks of applicant.....
  - 1.
  - 2.
16. Signature or thumb impression of applicant .....
17. To be filled in .....by the office of the Registering Authority
  1. Registered at .....on.....198.....
  2. Registration No.
  3. Finger prints of the registree.

SEAL

Date :

Place :

Name and signature of Registering Authority

Note – A certified copy of the Tribunal Order should be attached with the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> copy of this application.

<sup>1</sup>[FORM XXIV

[See rule 16 F (3)]

The names of the persons registered alongwith other particulars under section 6A of the Citizenship Act, 1955 by the Registering Authority .....Distt. Assam.

S.No.	Name	Father's/Husband's name	Date and place of birth	Present address
1	2	3	4	5

Number and date of the order declaring him, as a foreigner issued by Tribunal	Date since he has been ordinarily residing in Assam	Date of expiry of registration i.e. he/she completes 10 years from the date of declaration or registration whichever is later	Remarks if any
1	2	3	4

<sup>2</sup>[FORM XXV

(See rule 16F)

List of persons who have been registered under section 6A of the Citizenship Act, 1955 during the quarter ending in March /June/September/December, 19.....

S.No.	Name	Father's Husband's name	Date and place of birth	Present address	Date of detection as foreigner by the Tribunal with case number and address of the Tribunal	Date of expiry of the registration	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

**SEAL**

Place .....

Date.....

Signature of Registering Authority  
Distt.....]  
Assam]

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1. Ins. By G.S.R. 25 (E), dated 15<sup>th</sup> January, 1987

2. Ins. By G.S.R. 25 (E), dated 15<sup>th</sup> January, 1987

**FORM XXVI**

(See rule 16G)

(TO BE FILLED IN TRIPLICATE)

Declaration as required under section 6A (6) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 to be filled in by the person who does not wish to become a citizen of India.

**DECLARATION**

I,.....(son/daughter of).....

(.....)

(wife of.....)

resident of .....(full name and address) hereby solemnly declare that I do not wish to become a citizen of India nor to be governed by sub-sections (4) and (5) of section 6A of the Citizenship Act, 1955.

Date

Place

(.....)

Signature or thumb impression of the applicant.

**TO BE FILLED IN THE OFFICE OF REGISTERING AUTHORITY**

Registration No.....(Registration number is to be given after registering the foreigner under the Foreigners Act, 1946)

**SEAL**

Date

Place

(.....)

Signature of the Registering Authority

## SCHEDULE II

[See rule 25]

1. (1) When the Central Government refers the case of a citizen of India to a Committee of Inquiry under sub-section (3) of section 10 (which relates to deprivation of citizenship of India), the Committee of Inquiry (in this Schedule referred to as “ the committee”) shall before holding the inquiry, cause notice to be give to the person to whom the inquiry relates, stating the time and the place where it will be held and the nature thereof and informing him that he will be entitled to be present and/or to be represented by counsel or solicitor, or if the Committee think fit, by some other person approved by them.

(2) A notice under this rule may be given,-

(a) in a case where the address of the person concerned is known, by causing the notice to be delivered to him personally or by sending it to him to the address by post;

(b) in a case where that person’s address is not known, by sending it to his last known address and in such manner, if any, as the Chairman of the Committee shall consider fit.

(3) A notice as aforesaid shall be given such time (not being less than 30 days) before the holding of the inquiry as the Chairman of the Committee shall consider reasonably necessary.

2. A notice under paragraph 1 may require the person concerned to answer it in writing and to furnish in writing to the Committee any information which they consider material, to be verified in such manner as they may required.

3. (1) The committee shall have all the powers of a Civil Court for the purpose of taking evidence, on oath, enforcing the attendance of witnesses, issuing commissions for the examination of witnesses, and compelling the production of documents.

(2) The Committee shall be deemed to be a Civil Court for all the purposes of section 195 and Chapter XXV of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (5 of 1898).

4. The Committee may act upon any information which is available whether or not such information is given on oath or would be admissible as evidence in a court.

5. The Committee may invite any Government department or Ministry of the Government of India which appears to them to be interested to appoint a person to represent the department or Ministry at the inquiry.

6. (1) The Committee may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their number, and the quorum of the Committee shall be two.

(2) The Committee may delegate one or more of their members to inquire into any particular matter relating to the inquiry, and the member or members so delegated shall, for this purpose, have all the powers of the Committee under sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3.

7. The Committee may postpone or adjourn the inquiry from time to time.

8. The Committee may allow or refuse to allow the public or any portion thereof to be present during the whole or any part of the inquiry.

9. Subject to the foregoing paragraphs, the procedure at the inquiry shall be such as the Committee may determine.

SCHEDULE III  
[See rule 30(2)]

1. Where it appears to the Central Government that a citizen of India has voluntarily acquired the citizenship of any other country, it may require him to prove within such period as may be fixed by it in this behalf, that he has not voluntarily acquired the Citizenship of that country; and the burden of proving that he has not so acquired such citizenship shall be on him.

2. For the purpose of determining any question relating to the acquisition of an Indian citizen or the citizenship of any other country, the Central Government may make such reference as it thinks fit in respect of that question or of any matter relating thereto, to its Embassy in that country or to the Government of that country and act on any report or information received in pursuance of such reference.

3. A. Where a person, who has become an Indian Citizen by virtue of the Goa, Daman and Diu (Citizenship) Order, 1962, or the Dadra and Nagar Haveli (Citizenship) Order 1962, issued under section 7 of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) holds a passport issued by the Government of any other country, the fact that he has not surrendered the said passport on or before the 19<sup>th</sup> January, 1963 shall be conclusive proof of his having voluntarily acquired the citizenship of that country before that date.

4. In determining whether a citizen of India has or has not voluntarily acquired the citizenship of any other country, the Central Government may take the following circumstances into consideration, namely :-

- (a) whether the person has migrated to that country with the intention of making it his permanent home;
- (b) whether he has in fact taken up permanent residence in that country; and
- (c) any other circumstances relevant to the purpose.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in paragraph 4, a citizen of India shall be deemed to have voluntarily acquired the citizenship of Pakistan –

- (a) if he has migrated to Pakistan with the intention of making it his permanent home; or
- (b) if he has obtained any certificate of domicile in Pakistan or declared himself to be a citizen of Pakistan or of Pakistan domicile; or
- (c) if he has applied for and obtained, a right, title or interest in evacuee property in Pakistan; or
- (d) if he has obtained a temporary permit for entry into India from Pakistan.

Explanation – For the purpose of clause (a) of this paragraph, a person shall not be deemed to have migrated to Pakistan with a view to making that country his permanent home –

- (i) if he has left for a place in West Pakistan with a “no objection certificate” and has returned to India under such permit for permanent return or resettlement as may have been issued by or under the authority of any law in force in India or of the Government of India, or
- (ii) if having left India at any time between the 1<sup>st</sup> February, 1950 and the 15<sup>th</sup> October, 1952, for a place in West Pakistan he has returned to India with a repatriation certificate issued by or under the authority of any law in force in India or of the Government of India.

<sup>1</sup>[SCHEDULE IV  
[See rule 3 (1)]  
TABLE OF FEES

Matter in which fee is to be taken	Amount of fee in India (Rs)	Amount of fee elsewhere (Rs)
1. Registration as a citizen under the following sections of the Citizenship Act, 1955		
(i) Section 5(1)(c)	500	800
(ii) Section 5(1)(d)	100	150
(iii) Section 5(1)(e)	2000	3000
(iv) Section 5(4)	500	800
(v) Section 6(1)	2000	3000
2. Witnessing the signing of an application or declaration mentioned in rule 28, and, administering the oath of allegiance.	100	500 (In Cat A countries)
3. Registration of a declaration of intention to resume Indian citizenship or renunciation of citizenship.		300 (In Cat B countries)
4. Supplying a certified true copy of any notice, certificate, order, declaration or entry given, granted or made by or under the Citizenship Act, 1955.	500	800
5. Supplying a certified copy of a certificate of naturalisation.	100	150
	200	300

Category "A" countries: All countries in North and South America; Europe including Commonwealth of Independent States; West Asia and North Africa excluding People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Yemen Arabic Republic, Sudan and Somalia; Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Category "B" countries are -

All other countries (excluding mentioned under Category 'A']

