

**High Commission of India
Pretoria**

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The revised Renunciation of Indian Citizenship and Surrender of Indian passport Fee to be charged **w.e.f. 01st April 2025** due to change in rate of exchange are given below:

Rate of exchange used US\$1 = Rand 18.03 (Rounded off to next higher multiple of five)

Renunciation of Indian citizenship and Surrender of Indian passport

Indian nationals considering acquisition of foreign citizenship are reminded that the Indian Citizenship Act does not provide for dual citizenship. Thus, Indian nationals who have acquired foreign citizenship are required to apply for 'Renunciation of Indian Citizenship/ Surrender Certificate' by surrendering their Indian Passport. Under Section 12(1A) of the Passports Act, possession of Indian passport by foreign nationals is a cognizable offence. This equally applies to Indian nationals who have acquired foreign nationality.

Consequently, in any instance where an Indian national seeks to renounce Indian citizenship, the case will now be processed under the following categories:

- (A) Adults who acquired foreign citizenship on or after **01.06.2010**
- (B) Minors who acquired foreign citizenship on or after **01.06.2010**
- (C) Adults and minor applicants (at the time) who acquired foreign citizenship before **01.06.2010**

How to apply

2. Details of the procedure in each case are given below:

(A) Adults who have acquired foreign nationality on or after 01.06.2010:

Indian nationals who have acquired foreign nationality on or after 01.06.2010 are required to apply for the following services:

- (i) Surrender Certificate: Please apply for Surrender Certificate at URL: <https://portal3.passportindia.gov.in/Online/index.html>

Fee:

Fee for Surrender of Indian Passport Certificate is Rand 455/-.

(ii) Renunciation of Indian Citizenship: Please also simultaneously apply for renunciation of Indian citizenship by making a declaration of intention to renounce Indian citizenship, in Form XXII, as specified in Rule 23 of The Citizenship Rules, 2009.

This form has to be completed on the online portal of Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India at '<https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in>'.

Note: Once the application form is submitted online by the applicant, no further modifications are allowed. Therefore, applicants are requested to carefully verify the details before submitting the online application. Instructions and details regarding the application are available on the weblink: <https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce>

Fee:

Fee for this service is INR 8000 (R1650/-) which covers the following:

Registration of a declaration of intention to renunciation of Citizenship (outside India)	INR 7000
Witnessing the signing of an application or declaration mentioned in rule 38 of Citizenship, administering the oath of allegiance (outside India)	INR 1000

This fee of INR 8000 can be paid online by the applicant. This will be charged in Indian rupees. In case applicant is not able to pay online in Indian Rupees, Rand 1,650/- may be deposited to the concerned Indian Consulate or in case of Lesotho, to the account of High Commission of India in Pretoria.

Both (i) and (ii) above are mandatory and must be sought by any person renouncing Indian citizenship. Therefore, both processes' fees must be paid.

A person renouncing Indian citizenship and surrendering Indian Passport is thus required to provide personal details online in the respective forms, upload relevant documents, take a print-out, and visit the concerned Indian Consulate along with the following documents:

Print-out of the MHA Renunciation application (Form XXII) submitted online.

(URL: <https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce>)

Print-out of application submitted online for Surrender Certificate

(URL: <https://portal3.passportindia.gov.in/Online/index.html>)

Copy of address proof

Copy of foreign passport

Copy of Naturalization Certificate

Indian Passport in original

Copy of Indian Passport (front, last and all non-blank pages)

One photograph

Total fees for Surrender Certificate Fee (Rand 455/-) + Renunciation Certificate Fee (1,650/-) = Rand 2,105/-.

After submitting the requisite documents as above and applicant should sign the application/declaration in presence of Consular officer at Indian Consulates / High Commission of India in Pretoria.

(B) Minors who have acquired foreign nationality on or after 01.06.2010:

Minor applicants are not required to fill an online declaration for Renunciation of Indian citizenship through the MHA portal. They are only required to complete the online

application for Passport Surrender Certificate at URL: <https://portal3.passportindia.gov.in/Online/index.html> and submit a print-out of this application centre along with the following documents at the concerned Indian Consulate or in case of Lesotho, to the Indian High Commission in Pretoria:

Copy of foreign passport

Copy of Naturalization Certificate

Indian Passport in original

Copy of Indian Passport (front, last and all non-blank pages)

One photograph

Prescribed Fee: Rand 455/-

(C) Applicants who acquired foreign nationality before 01.06.2010:

All those who acquired foreign nationality (whether adult or minor at the time) before 01.06.2010 may apply for Surrender Certificate at the URL: <https://portal3.passportindia.gov.in/Online/index.html> and submit their applications along with the following documents at the concerned Indian Consulate or in case of Lesotho, to the Indian High Commission in Pretoria:

Copy of foreign passport

Copy of Naturalization Certificate

Copy of Indian Passport (front, last and all non-blank pages)

Indian Passport in original

One photograph

Prescribed Fee: Rand 455/-

Kindly note that the fees prescribed for any cases under categories (A), (B) or (C) above does not include ICWF (amounting Rand 40/-).
