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PRESS RELEASE

Consulate General of India
Munich

Subject: Online Process for Renunciation of Indian Citizenship

Under Indian law, Indian citizens are required to renounce their Indian citizenship and surrender their Indian passport to the nearest Indian Mission/Post immediately after acquiring foreign citizenship. The Indian Citizenship Act, 1955, does not provide for dual citizenship. Holding an Indian passport or acquiring an Indian passport or traveling on an Indian passport after acquiring foreign citizenship is an offense under the Indian Passport Act, 1967.

Please note that Renunciation of Indian Citizenship and Surrender of Indian Passport are two entirely different services governed by two different laws, namely the Citizenship Act 1955 & the Passport Act 1967 respectively. The two services require different procedures and fees.

The application for Renunciation has to be made online on the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division) website at <https://indiancitizenshiponline.nic.in/Renounce>. Applicants have to pay the applicable Fees (INR 8,000/-) on the MHA website. However, if they are unable to pay the prescribed fee online due to technical issues, they may pay the equivalent amount of Euros 88/- (excluding ICWF) at the Post's account in cash.

The application for Surrender of Indian Passport has to be filled online at <https://portal3.passportindia.gov.in/Online/index.html>. Applicants have to pay a fee of Euros 20/- (excluding ICWF) for this service.

It is requested that applicants complete the process of Renunciation of Indian Citizenship and surrender their Indian passports before applying for OCI services.

For more information, please visit the Consulate's website at <https://cgimunich.gov.in/pages/Mjc2>
