



## EMBASSY OF INDIA

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## GRANT OF WAIVER CERTIFICATE

This application can be used at the Embassy of India, Washington, D.C. or at any other Consulate General of India

<b>Consulate General of India NEW YORK</b> 3 East 64th Street New York, NY 10021 Tel: (212) 774-0600 Fax: (212) 861-3788 Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Vermont and Virgin Islands	<b>Consulate General of India CHICAGO</b> 455, N. Cityfront Plaza Dr., # 850 Chicago, IL 60611 Tel: (312) 595-0405 Fax: (312) 595-0418 Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin	<b>Consulate General of India HOUSTON</b> 1990 Post Oak Blvd. Suite 600 Houston, TX 77056 Tel: (713) 626-2355 Fax: (713) 626-2450 Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Florida, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas	<b>Consulate General of India, SAN FRANCISCO</b> 540 Arguello Blvd. San Francisco, CA 94118 Tel: (415) 668-0662 Fax: (415) 668-9764 Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming
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In order to enable the Embassy (Consulates) to issue a "WAIVER CERTIFICATE", for the purpose of immigration (conversion of J1 Visa to H1), it will be necessary for the applicant to obtain clearance directly from the authorities concerned in India, namely:

1. The State Government (Department of Home)
2. Department of Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi  
OR  
Ministry of Health & Planning, Government of India, New Delhi.
3. The concerned passport office from which the application obtained passport to come abroad.  
**(Note: For medical professionals, clearance from Ministry of Health & Planning is not required.)**

### Instructions:

1. The applicant should fill in details in the enclosed "Statement" and "Affidavit".
2. Four copies of "Statement" and "Affidavit" should be notarized. All the copies of the statement and affidavit, along with passport and [Miscellaneous Services Form](#) should be sent to the Embassy/Consulates for attestation with a fee of US \$66.00, in the form of a **certified check or money order** payable to Embassy of India (or appropriate Consulate General of India). A self addressed stamped envelope may be sent for returning the three sets of attested documents and passport.
3. The applicant should then send one set each, directly to the authorities in India, with a request to grant NORI (No Obligation to Return to India) certificate.
4. After the NORIs have been obtained, the applicant should forward his/her passport and copies of the clearance along with **Case Number (Case Number should be obtained by the applicant directly from the U.S. Department of State)** to the Embassy/Consulate with a fee of US \$20.00 and a self addressed stamped envelope for return mail. The Embassy (Consulates) will issue WAIVER CERTIFICATE and forward it to the U.S. Department of State under intimation to the applicant. The concerned U.S. Authority will notify the applicant directly regarding its acceptance which usually takes 4-6 weeks.

**It should be clearly understood that the responsibility of getting the clearance from the authorities in India rests with the applicant.**

**The Embassy of India (Consulate General of India) will not be in a position to undertake the job of reminding the authorities.**

**PERSONAL CHECKS/CREDIT CARDS NOT ACCEPTED; CASH is accepted only at the Consular Counter**

**Four copies of this form are to be completed for "No Obligation to Return to India" Certificate**

Name: Mr./Mrs./Dr. \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address in USA \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Issue \_\_\_\_\_

Place of issue \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent address in India \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Educational Qualifications (Please indicate subject in the case of Ph.D.)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Profession \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of Next-of-kin in India \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you married? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, give below name and address of your wife/husband and children.

Are you divorced or separated from your wife/husband? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, indicate below the present status of your wife/husband and who has the custody of the children.

Have you signed any agreement with a Government organisation or a University or other Public Organisation or Banks or any other Institution from which you have enjoyed monetary benefits in the form of passage money, scholarship or otherwise and have specially or by implication, undertaken to return to India or refund the amount received? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, give details on a separate sheet.

Have you been sponsored and provided with certain privileges, such as admission into Colleges, Universities or employment with the Government of India/Government of any State in India?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you given any definite undertaking to return to India as a condition of the issuance of the passport or for the entitlement of some other privileges like scholarship, leave benefits, etc.?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is your presence required in India in connection with a civil or criminal proceedings? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, give details on a separate sheet.

Please indicate below the name of the scheme under which you proceeded abroad.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the applicant

Place:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature and Seal of Notary Public with date and seal

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ holder of Indian Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_  
dated \_\_\_\_\_ issued at \_\_\_\_\_ expiring on \_\_\_\_\_  
now residing at \_\_\_\_\_ hereby declare that

1. I came to the United States of America under as an Exchange Programme Student for the period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. The Exchange programme was sponsored by the Government of /Agencies of the Government of \_\_\_\_\_ and financed by the Government of / Agencies of the Government of \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. I have not signed any agreement / contract with the Government of India or a State Government or a quasi-Government organisation or a University or any public organisation in India by which I have enjoyed any monetary benefits in the form of passage money, stipend scholarship or otherwise and have undertaken to return to India after completion of my studies / training in USA.

OR

I took a scholarship / loan of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ from (name of the institution) \_\_\_\_\_ under the National Loan Scholarship Scheme or \_\_\_\_\_ (any other scheme) during the year \_\_\_\_\_, when I was a student at \_\_\_\_\_ (College/Institution) and I have fully repaid the amount due from me, or I have yet to repay the amount of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_

- 3. I have not taken any loan from any person or agency in India.
- 4. My presence is not required in India in connection with civil or criminal proceedings.
- 5. I am unmarried / married and have not deserted my spouse or children in India.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the applicant

Date:

Place:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature & Seal of the Notary Public