PIO CARD

1. PIO Card for Adult	:	F\$615.00
 PIO Card for children (upto the age of 18 years) 	:	F\$310.00
3. Validity of PIO Card	:	15 years

Requirements

- a) Duly filled in application form in duplicate
- b) 4 recent colour photographs
- c) Copy of Indian passport of the applicant or his parents or grandparents or his Great grandparents.

OR

d) Copy of foreign passport of the applicant indicating the place of birth in India with documentary proof like school / college leaving certificates, domicile certificate, certificate of revenue indicating his place of birth in India.

The applicant or his parents, or grandparents or great grandparents having the following nationalities shall not be eligible for issue of PIO Card.

- 1. Pakistan
- 2. Bangladesh
- 3. Sri Lanka
- 4. Afghanistan
- 5. Bhutan
- 6. Nepal
- 7. Iran
- 8. China and
- 9. Any other country that may be specific by the Government of India

Benefits available to PIO Card holder:

 A PIO Card holder shall not require a separate visa to visit India. The PIO Card holder will not require 'Student Visa' for undertaking studies in India and similarly no 'Employment Visa' will be required for taking up employment in India. However, they will be required to fulfill other pre-requisite conditions and other formalities in connection with their studies / employment as prescribed by concerned authorities from time to time.

- (ii) A PIO Card holder will be exempt from the requirement of registration if his stay on any single visit in India does not exceed 180 days.
- (iii) In the event of continuous stay in India of the PIO Card holder exceeding 180 days, he / she shall have to get himself / herself registered within 30 days of the expiry of 180 days with the concerned Foreigners Regional Registration Officer / Foreigners Registration Officer.
- (iv) All PIOs including PIO Card holders shall enjoy parity with NRIs in respect of all facilities available to the latter in the documents, financial and educational fields except it is matters relating to the acquisition of agricultural / plantation properties. No parity shall be allowed in the sphere of political rights.
- (v) Separate counters for immigration may be provided to PIO Card holders at all International airports in India.

All PIOs would be eligible for benefits as available to NRIs from time to time (and not just PIO Card holder)



APPLICATION FORM FOR THE GRANT/RENEWAL OF PIO CARD

(TO BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE)

1. (a)	Name of the applicant	:
(b)	Surname at birth (if any)	:
(c)	Other names (Wherever applicable)	:
(d)	Date of birth	:
(e)	Place of birth (Town, City, Country)	:
2.	Father's/ Mother's/Spouse's name and nationality	:
(a)	Father	:
(b)	Mother	:
(c)	Spouse (where applicable)	:
3.	Address	
(a)	Present	:
(b)	Permanent	:
(c)	Address in India (Verifiable)	:

4.	Profession or	- occupation
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- 5. Male/female
- 6. Marital Status
- 7. Nationality (at the time of birth)
- 8. (a) Present nationality (if different)
 - (b) Date on which acquired
- 9. Passport particulars of Applicant
 - (i) Passport number
 - (ii) Date of issue
 - (iii) Date of expiry
 - (iv) Country which issued the Passport
 - (v) Place of issue
- 10. Mark of Identification
- 11. Does the applicant hold dual nationality (if so, please give details including the details including the details of all the passport held etc.)
- 12. Did the applicant at any time hold the nationality of any country other than the present nationality, if so, please give details thereof
- 13. Whether the applicant or either of his/her parents or grant parents or great grant parents held an Indian passport at any time, if so details thereof
 - (a) Passport number
 - (b) Date of issue
 - (c) Place of issue

: Married/Unmarried

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(d) Date of expiry (Enclose photocopy of relevant documents)

14. Whether the applicant of either of his/her parents or any of his/her grand parents or great grand parents was born and was permanent resident in territories falling in present day India, Pakistan and Bangladesh, as on the date of the notification of the Scheme, i.e. 30.3.1999, if so the following details may be indicated

(i) Date and place of birth :_____

{Note: If the applicant is the spouse of a citizen of India or of a person who or either of whose parents, grand parents or great grand parents was born and was permanent resident in territories falling in the present day India, Pakistan and Bangladesh, his/her full particulars including date and place of birth, proof of residence, nationalities held and passport details (previous and present) may be given}

15. Has the applicant ever been refused Indian Passport/travel document or visa for visiting India, if so, give complete details (i.e. Place & date of application, purpose, reasons for refusal etc.) :

16.	(a) Date of Issue	:
	(b) Date of expiry	:
	(c) Place of issue	:

17. Name and complete address of the two persons known to the applicant living in India :

(i)	
(a) Name	:
(b) Complete postal address	:
(c) Telephone number	:
(ii)	
(a) Name	:
(b) Complete postal address	:

(c) Telephone number :_____

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18. Details and mode of payment of fee

DECLARATION

I HERE BY DECLARE THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENTSS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. $\ast\ast$

(Signature of the applicant)

Date :....

Place:

(Two specimen signature of the applicant)

- 1.
- 2.
- 1. Please enclose all relevant documents substantiating your claim as a Person of Indian Origin (Please also see Col. 13 and 14).
- 2. Attach four recent stamp size photographs.

** Furnishing of false information will result in summary rejection of the application.

Note: Acceptance of application form does not confer any right on the applicant to the PIO Card.
