

SELF ATTESTED DECLARATION

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However, I declared myself as 'INDIAN' during the process of filing NEET UG 2026 Application on NTA Website. I have attached all the relevant documents herein for my application as NRI Candidate:

- 1. NEET Score Card of the candidate**
- 2. Self-Certified Affidavit stating that the candidate is NRI or Child of NRI Parents.**
- 3. OCI/PIO card, if Applicable.**
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I hereby request to consider my application for allowing me to choose NRI Seats in NEET UG 2026 State Counselling.

I state that if any information as stated in the documents is found to be false or frivolous at any point of time, my seat will be 'CANCELLED' and I will be liable to be subjected to any punitive action including legal actions against me as per law.

Name and Signature

Date:

Annexure-A**Template**

Date-

NRI Certificate

This is to certify that Mr./Ms. (name) holder of Indian Passport No..... issued at(place of issuance) on(Month, date), 20... (year) is currently residing in(Country name) at.....(Address).

He/She may be extended all courtesies and facilities, as admissible to Non-Resident Indians (NRIs).

(Name)
(Consular Officer)

Annexure-B**Template**

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Certification of OCI Status

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NOTICE

Kind Attention: Candidates who claim to be NRI/ OCI or want to get their nationality converted from Indian to NRI.

It is for the information to candidates who want to apply for NRI quota in upcoming UG/PG counselling for the academic year 2026-2027, that the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in **W.P No. 13393 of 2007 and others (2008) (Anshul Tomar vs. State of M.P)** has set forth eligibility criteria for seats reserved under NRI quota.

The relevant excerpt from the order passed by the Hon'ble Court in W.P No. 13393 of 2007 is as under:

"1) If the mother or father of student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then, either of the situations so held will be considered to be proper.

2) If the first-degree relation of the student is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily, then in such circumstances also, qua this year, should be considered eligible. It is natural that such definition would include the real brother and sister over and above the mother-father of the first-degree relation.

3) As per the definition revised by the Hon'ble Apex Court, interpretation of clause 3 thereof as not made limited but if made in a broad perspective, then, it is clear that the person who wanted to consider such student as ward (Palya), then, he be considered to be proper subject to compliance of the following conditions:

- a) He should be the nearest relation.*
- b) In the definition of the nearest relation, committee has considered following relative having blood relations.*
 - i) Real brother and sister of father i.e. real uncle and real aunt.*
 - ii) Real brother and sister of mother i.e. real maternal uncle and maternal aunt.*
 - iii) Father and mother of father i.e. grandfather and grandmother.*
 - iv) Father and mother of mother i.e. maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.*
 - v) First degree-paternal and maternal cousins.*

vi) *Such person should be NRI.*

c) *Such persons should ordinarily be residing abroad.*

d) **Such person should have looked after such student as the guardian of the student and evidence to that effect must have been produced before the committee by such person.**

e) **There should be affidavit with aforesaid fact.”**

Hence, the candidates applying for NRI Quota seats will have to abide/adhere with the above-mentioned eligibility criteria for participation in counselling as NRI candidate/candidature.

It is further informed to NEET aspirants for the academic year 2026 that MCC/competent authority will seek evidential proof/ legal document from the candidates as in point 3 (d) & (e) of the order, during counselling, demonstrating that the sponsor is actually Bonafide legal guardian of the candidate as per Guardians and Wards Act, 1890.

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**Consulate General of India
San Francisco**

PRESS RELEASE

**NEW GUIDELINES FOR ISSUANCE OF NRI CERTIFICATE BY MISSIONS/
POSTS ABROAD**

1. INTRODUCTION

A Non-Resident Indian (NRI) Certificate is a document issued by Missions/ Posts abroad in favour of Indian citizens abroad for the purpose of ratification of the NRI status of the applicant for different purposes I.e.

(i) **Financial transactions** like opening bank accounts in India, investing in real estate and other assets and accessing various financial services.

(ii) **Claiming of Taxation benefits** under the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) to avoid paying taxes twice in India and their country of residence.

(iii) **Educational Benefits**, which include obtaining admission for family members in Indian universities under the NRI quota, and availing benefit of schemes like DASA (Direct Admission to Students Abroad) conducted by Ministry of Education.

Seats reserved in Educational Institutions under NRI quota also includes Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) and Persons of Indian Origin (PIO).

(iv) **Legal Matters** for providing proof of NRI status for legal purposes, such as property transactions or inheritance claims.

(v) **Government Benefits** like availing government schemes and services designed for NRIs.

3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

(i) The applicant must be an Indian national with a valid Indian passport.

(ii) The applicant must have completed a period of stay of more than 182 days in the country of residence of the applicant.

3.1 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR AVAILING EDUCATIONAL BENEFIT

Criteria for admission of students under NRI quota are as follows:-

- (1) NRIs; or
- (2) Children of NRIs; or
- (3) Wards of NRIs.

‘Ward’ shall include only a ‘minor’ who is under the bonafide guardianship of a NRI. Evidence of bonafide guardianship must be produced before the Mission/ Post by such person. Simply showing that the guardian has looked after the student will not qualify relatives as guardians. An Affidavit to the effect must be produced before the Mission/ Post by such person.

It is clarified that the following categories of guardians **who are not “bonafide guardians”** as per the above definition will be excluded from the eligibility criteria for admission of students under NRI Quota:-

- (1) First degree relation of the student, including real brother and sister over and above the mother-father of the first degree relation, is NRI and residing abroad ordinarily; or
- (2) Nearest relation who considers such student as Ward, including, real brother and sister of father i.e. real uncle and aunt; real brother and sister of mother i.e. real maternal uncle and maternal aunt; father and mother of father i.e. grandfather and grandmother; father and mother of mother i.e. maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother and first degree maternal and paternal cousins.

4. APPLICATION PROCESS & DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

For the purpose of issuance of NRI Certificate, the applicant has to submit an application at the Indian Mission/ Post abroad with consular jurisdiction over the place of residence of the applicant, with the following documents:

- (i) A duly filled in application in prescribed proforma, along with two colour photos of the applicant;
- (ii) Original Indian passport and photocopy of pages of the Indian passport with visas/arrival/departure immigration stamps.
- (iii) Original and a copy of Immigration Documents (PR Card, Landing Paper, Work Permit etc.) in respect of Indian passport holders.
- (iv) Copy of Proof of Address in the country of residence including, inter alia, Driving License, Photo Identity issued by the local government, Utility Bills, etc.
- (v) A letter detailing the purpose of requirement for the NRI Certificate

5. VALIDITY OF NRI CERTIFICATE

The NRI Certificates issued by Missions/ Posts will be valid for a period of one year. However, the validity of such certificates may be renewed upon production of proof of continued stay by the applicant in the country, subject to fulfillment of other conditions.

6. PROFORMA FOR NRI CERTIFICATE

A Proforma for issue of NRI Certificate is enclosed as **Annexure-A**. For OCIs being issued similar certificates as that of NRI, mentioning their OCI status (valid OCI Card with number), and without mentioning the reasons/ purpose of issue may be followed by Missions/ Posts.

7.1 Issuing of Certificates to OCI Card Holders for Educational Benefits

In such cases where similar certificates are being issued in favour of OCIs for availing of educational benefits in India, such certificates may be issued after verification of OCI Status and other details in **Annexure-B**. Passport No. and certification of period of stay may be removed, because of their irrelevance in case of PIOs/ OCIs.

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