

POLICE CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE (PCC)

Police Clearance Certificate (PCC) is issued to Indian Passport holders in case they have applied for Residential Status, Employment or Long term visa or for immigration. PCC cannot be issued for persons going abroad on Tourist Visa.

It has been recognized by the Government that certain countries (currently 17- mentioned below) do not have strict laws regulating the entry and employment of foreign nationals. Thus they have been categorized as Emigration Check Required (ECR) countries.

List of ECR Countries

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| 1. United Arab Emirates | 2. Yemen |
| 3. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia | 4. Sudan |
| 5. Qatar | 6. Afghanistan |
| 7. Oman | 8. Indonesia |
| 9. Kuwait | 10. Syria |
| 11. Bahrain | 12. Lebanon |
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| 13. Malaysia | 14. Thailand |
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| 15. Libya | 16. Iraq |
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| 17. Jordan | |
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I. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY PCC APPLICANTS GOING TO ECR COUNTRIES FOR EMPLOYMENT PURPOSE:

A) Documents Required for Skilled/Semi-Skilled Workers (Individuals): Skilled/Semi-skilled individuals who have entered in to employment contract directly (and not through Recruiting Agents (RA) registered with Protectorate of Emigrants) with the foreign employer are required to submit copies of the following documents (originals for scrutiny and return):

1. Old passport in original with self-attested photocopy of its first two and last two pages including ECR/Non-ECR page and page of observation (if any).
2. Proof of Present Address (in case of change of address)
3. Self-attested copy of Employment Contract with foreign employer.
4. Copy of valid visa (in case visa is already obtained) along with Official English translation if the visa is not in English.

B) Documents Required for Unskilled/Women Workers (Individuals): Unskilled workers and women (not below 30 years of age) seeking employment directly (and not through Recruiting

Agents registered with Protectorate of Emigrants) abroad are required to submit copies of the following documents (originals for scrutiny and return):

1. Old passport in original with self-attested photocopy of its first two and last two pages including ECR/Non-ECR page and page of observation (if any).
2. Proof of Present Address (in case of change of address)
3. Employment contract from the foreign employer duly attested by the Indian Mission or Permission letter from the concerned Indian Mission/Post.
4. Copy of valid visa (in case visa is already obtained) along with Official English translation if the visa is not in English.

C) Documents required for skilled/semi-skilled workers (Through Recruiting Agents):**

Skilled/semiskilled workers who have entered in to employment contract with the foreign employer through Recruiting Agents registered with Protectorate of Emigrants are required to submit copies of the following documents:

1. Old passport in original with self-attested photocopy of its first two and last two pages including ECR/Non-ECR page and page of observation (if any).
2. Proof of Present Address (in case of change of address)
3. Copies of Original Employment contract, demand letter and power of attorney from the foreign employer duly attested by the Recruiting Agent (RA).
4. Copy of valid registration certificate issued by the Protectorate of Emigrants, Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, Govt. of India.

** Names of Active Recruitment Agents can be found at <http://poeonline.gov.in/>
Guidelines for prospective emigrants at
<http://moia.gov.in/services.aspx?ID1=107&id=m7&idp=104&mainid=73>

D) Documents required for Unskilled/Women Workers (Through Recruiting Agents):

Unskilled/Women workers who have entered in to employment contract with the foreign employer through Recruiting Agents registered with Protectorate of Emigrants are required to submit copies of the following documents:

- In addition to the documents specified for skilled/semiskilled workers, all employment documents mentioned in “ C.3” above have to be duly attested by the concerned Indian Mission.

II.DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY PCC APPLICANTS EMIGRATING TO NON-ECR COUNTRIES:

- Old passport in original with self-attested photocopy of its first two and last two pages including ECR/Non-ECR page and page of observation (if any).
- Proof of Present Address (in case of change of address)
- Documentary proof of applying for Residential Status, Employment (Copy of Employment contract) or Long term visa or for immigration.

III. PCC FOR DEPENDENT FAMILY MEMEBRS OF A PERSON RESIDING/EMIGRATING IN/TO BOTH ECR AND NON-ECR COUNTRIES:

- Old passport in original with self-attested photocopy of its first two and last two pages including ECR/Non-ECR page and page of observation (if any).
- Proof of Present Address (in case of change of address)
- Sponsorship declaration by the person who is sponsoring the emigration of the PCC applicant.