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Notification No. **II/42/51-Poll.(I)**, dated the 6th February, 1952. In exercise of the powers conferred by section 23 of the Pakistan Citizenship Act, 1951 (II of 1951), the Federal Government is pleased to frame the following rules:-

- **1. Short title.** (1) These rules shall be called the Pakistan Citizenship Rules, 1952.
 - (2) They shall come into force at once.
- **2. Definitions.** In these Rules:

"Act" means the Pakistan Citizenship Act, 1951.

*["authorized officer" means an officer authorized notified as such by the Federal Government or a Provincial Government to exercise the powers and perform functions assigned to him under these rules.]

"Provincial Government" includes the Chief Commissioner of Balochistan, the Administrator of Karachi, and the Governments of Acceding States.

"British Missions or Consulates" mean such British Missions or Consulates as are exercising functions on behalf of Pakistan.

- **3. Citizenship at the date of commencement of the Act.** Any person claiming citizenship of Pakistan at the commencement of the Act may be granted a certificate by the Provincial Government in the manner hereinafter prescribed
 - a) Any person claiming citizenship under clause (a) of section 3 of the Act shall apply in Form 'A' in duplicate to a an authorized officer**. This application shall be supported by a certificate of birth of the applicant or any of his parents or grandparents, as the case may be, issued by-

- (i) a village officer or an officer-in-charge of a Police Station,
- (ii) a Municipal or Town Committee or Corporation, or
- (iii) a Registrar of Births and Deaths appointed under the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act, 1886 (VI of 1886).

^{*} Added vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

^{**} Subs for the words " Magistrate of the first class" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

- (b) The *authorized officer shall in attestation of the truth of the statement in the application, administer an oath or affirmation to the applicant and shall examine the evidence, oral or documentary, adduced by the applicant in support of his claim. He may, if he thinks it necessary, summon and examine any witnesses likely to know the facts of the application and may call for any records relevant to it.
- (c) If the *authorized officer is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to citizenship under clause (a) of section 3 of the Act, he shall recommend to the Provincial Government that a certificate of citizenship in Form 'A-I' be granted.
- .(d) The Provincial Government shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit
- **4.** ¹[Any person claiming citizenship of Pakistan under clause (b) of section 3 may be granted a certificate by the Provincial Government in the manner hereinafter prescribed—
 - (1) He shall apply in Form 'A' in duplicate to a an **authorized officer. Each form shall be accompanied by a certificate of birth as provided in clause (a) of rule 3 and by a certificate of domicile issued under rule 23, provided that a certificate of domicile shall not be required from a person who was in the service of any Government or Administration in Pakistan at the commencement of the Act.]
 - (2) The *authorized officer shall in attestation of the truth of the statement in the application, administer an oath or affirmation to the applicant.
 - (3) He shall examine any witnesses produced by the applicant and may summon any other witnesses likely to know the facts of the application and may call for any records relevant to it.
 - (4) If the *authorized officer is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to citizenship under cause (b) of section 3 of the Act, he shall recommend to the Provincial Government that a certificate of citizenship in Form 'A-I' be granted.
 - (5) The Provincial Government shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit.

^{*} Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

^{**} Subs for the words "Magistrate of the first class" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

¹ Subs., for sub rule (1), by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz. of P., 1953, pt.I, pp.117-18.

- **5.** (1) Any person claiming citizenship under clause (e) of section 3 shall apply in Form 'A' in triplicate to the Provincial Government.
- (2) Each form shall be attested by the *authorized officer and shall be accompanied by an attested copy of the certificate of ¹[naturalization].
- (3) The Provincial Government may, after making such enquiry as it deems fit and after examining the evidence required by rule 19, recommend to the Federal Government that a certificate of citizenship in Form 'A-I' be granted.
- (4) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit.
- **6.** ²[Any person claiming the citizenship under clause (d) of section 3 of the Act may be granted a certificate by the Provincial Government in the manner hereinafter prescribed—
 - (1) He shall apply in Form 'A' in duplicate to a ** an authorized officer.
 - (2) The *authorized officer shall in attestation of the truth of the statement in the application, administer an oath or affirmation to the applicant.
 - (3) He shall examine any witnesses produced by the applicant and may summon any other witnesses likely to know the facts of the application and may call for any records relevant to it.
 - (4) If the *authorized officer is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to citizenship under clause (d) of section 3 of the Act, he shall recommend to the Provincial Government that a certificate of citizenship in Form 'A-I' be granted.
 - (5) The Provincial Government shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit]
- **7.** ${}^{3}[x \quad x \quad x \quad x \quad x \quad x \quad x.]$
- **8. Citizenship by birth.** ***[(1) Any person claiming citizenship under section 4 of the Act shall apply in Form .'B' in duplicate to a authorized officer in the District where he was born or, if for any reason beyond his control it is not possible for him to apply to such officer, to the authorized officer, in the District where he is residing at the time of making the application.]

¹ Subs., for "Naturalization", by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz. of P., 1953, pt.I, pp.117-18.

² Subs.,for sub rule (1), by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.

³ Rule 7 omitted vide Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953, see Gaz.of P., 1953, pt.I,pp.117-18.

- * Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
- ** Subs for the words "Magistrate of the first class" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
- *** vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
- (2) Each form shall be accompanied by—
 - (a) a certificate of birth issued by a village officer or an officer-in-charge of a Police Station or a Municipal or Town Committee or Corporation, or a Registrar of Births and Deaths appointed under the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act, 1886 (VI of 1886).
 - (b) If the applicant is below the age of 21 years, a statement by his parent or guardian recorded on oath.
- (3) If the *authorized officer after making such inquiry as may be necessary, is satisfied that the facts stated in the application are correct, he shall recommend to the Provincial Government that a certificate in Form 'R-l' be granted.
- (4) The Provincial Government shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit.
- **9. Citizenship by descent.** (1) Any person claiming citizenship by descent under section 5 of the Act shall apply in Form 'B' to the Provincial Government of the area in which he has his domicile of origin as defined in Part II of the Succession Act, 1925 (XXXIX of 1925).
 - (2) Such application shall be in triplicate and such form shall be accompanied by-
 - (a) a certificate of citizenship of Pakistan granted to his ¹[Parent] and
 - (b) evidence establishing his relationship with his ¹[Parent]:

Provided that where the certificate of citizenship indicates that the ¹[Parent] is a citizen of Pakistan by descent only, then one of the following additional documents shall also be produced --

(i) Either a certificate of registration of birth at a Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country where the applicant was born, or where there is no Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country ²[at the prescribed Mission or Consulate or], at a Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to that country.

- (ii) Or a certificate or documentary proof that the applicant's ¹[Parent] was in the service of a Government in Pakistan at the time of the applicant's birth in that other country.
 - 1. Subs for "father" vide SRO No.210(I)/2000 dated 18-4-2000.
 - 2 Ins. by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
 - * Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
- (3) The Provincial Government after making such enquiries as it deems fit may pass orders in regard to such applications, except where additional documents are required under the Proviso to sub-rule (2) in which case it shall forward the papers to the Federal Government.
- (4) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
- **10. Citizenship by migration.** (1) Any person claiming citizenship under section 6 of the Act shall apply in Form 'B' in duplicate to the Provincial Government.
 - (2) Such application shall be accompanied by:—
 - (a) an affidavit of the truth of the statements made therein;
 - (b) a certificate of domicile under rule 23; and
 - (c) any other evidence which proves that the applicant intended to reside permanently in Pakistan, and that he has migrated to Pakistan ¹[after the 13th April, 1951 but before the first day of January, 1952.]
 - (3) The Provincial Government, after such inquiries as it may consider necessary, shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
 - (4) Where the applicant, for reasons to be recorded in writing, claims exemption from obtaining a certificate of domicile, he shall request the Provincial Government to forward the application to the Federal Government.
 - (5) The Provincial Government shall, on a request made under the foregoing sub-rule, forward the application to the Federal Government together with its own recommendation.
 - (6) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit.
 - (7) Any order passed by the Provincial or Federal Government under this rule shall apply to the wife of the applicant and any minor child of his

dependent wholly or partially upon him, provided that the claim for citizenship for them is included initially in the application and satisfactory evidence of the applicant's marriage to the wife, and of the minor being dependent on him, is adduced to the satisfaction of Government.

- 1 Subs., for "before the 13th April 1951" by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
- **11. Person migrating from the territories of Pakistan.** (1) Any person claiming citizenship under the proviso to section 7 of the Act shall apply in Form 'C' in triplicate to the Federal Government.
 - (2) Each form shall be accompanied by:—
 - (a) an attested copy of the permit for resettlement or permanent return;
 - (b) an affidavit of the truth of the statements made in the application.
 - (3) The Federal Government, after such inquiries as it may consider necessary, shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
- **12.** Citizenship of certain persons resident abroad. (1) Any person claiming citizenship under section 8 of the Act shall apply in triplicate in Form 'D' for registration as a citizen in the manner hereinafter provided, namely:—
 - (a) If he is resident in a country outside Pakistan, he shall make an application to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country or where there is no Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country ¹[to a prescribed Mission or Consulate or] to a Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to that country ²[x x x].
 - (b) Every application under this rule shall be accompanied:
 - i. by a certificate of domicile issued by [@]an authorized officer in Pakistan, unless the applicant is exempted by the proviso to section 8 of the Act, or

- ii. where he has been unable to obtain a certificate, by a statement on oath explaining why he claims exemption from producing it.
- (2) (a) The Mission or Consulate may demand such evidence of the truth of the statements made in the application as it thinks necessary. Such evidence shall ordinarily include certificate of his birth or that of his father or father's father, and information in regard to his educational and other qualifications and his economic condition-
- 1 Ins. by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
- 2 The comma and words, "or to the nearest British mission or Consulate" omitted, ibid
 - @ Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
- (b) The Mission or Consulate shall forward the application with its recommendation to the Federal Government which shall pass such orders on it as it deems fit;
- (c) If the applicant is resident in Pakistan at the time of making the application, he shall apply direct to the Federal Government.
- (d) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on this application as it deems fit.
- **13. Citizenship by** ¹**[naturalization].** (1) Any person claiming citizenship under section 9 of the Act shall apply in Form 'E' in triplicate to the Federal Government.
 - (2) Each form shall be accompanied by—
 - (a) an affidavit of the truth of statements made therein;
 - (b) a Certificate of ¹[naturalization] under the¹[Naturalization] Act, 1926 (VII of 1926);
 - (c) a certificate that the applicant has taken the oath of allegiance to the Constitution of Pakistan within the period prescribed by section 6 of the ¹[Naturalization] Act, 1926.
 - (3) The Federal Government, after making such inquiries as it considers necessary, may grant a certificate of registration in Form 'R-I' or reject the application.
 - (4) Where an exemption from producing certificate of ¹[Naturalization] is sought, the applicant shall in a statement recorded on oath, specify the reasons for which he seeks the exemption.
- (5) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.

²[13-A. Certificate of citizenship to certain persons domiciled in former East Pakistan:

- (1) Any person claiming citizenship under clause (iii) of clause (iv) of subsection (1) of section 16-A of the Act or under the proviso to that subsection may be granted a certificate in the manner hereinafter prescribed, namely:-
 - (i) He shall apply in Form 'E-I' in duplicate to an **authorized officer, and if at the time of making the application he is residing in a foreign country, to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country and, if there is no such Mission or Consulate in that country, to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to the country of his residence:
 - 1 Subsl, for "naturalization" by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
 - 2 Ins.by SRO.1207(1)/78.Pub.in Gaz of Pakistan. Extra pt.II dated 11-10-1978.
 - * Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
 - ** Subs for the words "Magistrate of the first class" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

Provided that the application made to a Pakistan Mission or Consulate shall be accompanied by an affidavit sworn before a Magistrate or Oath Commissioner affirming the truth of the statement made therein.

- (ii) Where the application is made to an *authorized officer, the authorized officer shall, in attestation of the truth of the statement made in the application administer an oath or affirmation to the application.
- (iii) The *authorized officer or the Pakistan Mission or Consulate, shall examine any witness produced by the applicant and may summon any other witness likely to know the facts of the application and may call for any record relevant to it.
- (iv) If the *authorized officer or the Pakistan Mission or Consulate is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to citizenship under sub-section (1) of section 16-A of the Act, he or as the case may be, it shall recommend, if he is an *authorized officer, to the Provincial government and, if it is a Pakistan Mission or Consulate to the Federal Government, that a certificate of citizenship in Form 'E-2' be granted.
- (v) The Provincial Government or the Federal Government, as the case may be, shall pass such orders on the recommendation as it deems fit.
- (2) Any person claiming citizenship under sub-section (2) of section 16-A of the Act may be granted a certificate by the Federal Government in the manner hereinafter prescribed, namely:-
- (i) He shall apply in Form 'E-3 in duplicate to the Federal Government and present the application to an ** "authorized officer" and, if at the time of making the application he is residing in country other than Pakistan to the Pakistan Mission or

Consulate in that country, and, if there is no such Mission or Consulate, the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to the country of his residence:

Provided that the application made to a Pakistan Mission or Consulate shall be accompanied by an affidavit sworn before a Magistrate or Oath Commissioner affirming the truth of the statement made therein.

- (ii) The *authorized officer shall, in attestation of the truth of the statement made in the application, administer an oath or affirmation to the applicant.
- (iii) The *authorized officer or the Pakistan Mission or Consulate should examine any witness produced by the applicant and may summon any other witness likely to know the facts of the application and may call for any record relevant to it.
- (iv) If the *authorized officer or the Pakistan Mission or Consulate is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to citizenship under sub-section (2) of section 16-A of the Act, he or, as the case may be, it shall recommend to the Federal Government that a certificate of citizenship in Form 'E-4' be granted:

Provided that the *authorized officer shall make the recommendation through the Provincial Government.

- (v) The Federal Government shall pass such order as it deems fit.]
- **14. Married Women.** (1) Any woman who by reason of her marriage to a ¹[British subject] has acquired the status of a ¹[British subject] before the first day of January, 1949, shall, if she wishes to be registered as a citizen of Pakistan because her husband has become a citizen of Pakistan, apply in Form 'F' to the Federal Government for registration.
- (2) Such application shall be in triplicate and each form shall be accompanied by—
 - (a) her marriage certificate ²[or any other evidence establishing the applicant's marriage]; and
 - (b) her husband's certificate of citizenship²[or any other evidence establishing the husband's citizenship of Pakistan].
 - (3) The Federal Government shall, after such inquiry as it considers necessary, pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.

^{*} Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

^{**} Subs for the words "Magistrate of the first class" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.

- (4) If the husband is dead at the time the application is made, a statement of facts, recorded on oath, which would prove that had he been alive he would have been entitled to Pakistan citizenship under section 3, 4 or 5 of the Act, shall accompany the application.
- (5) If the applicant is an alien, the application shall further be accompanied by a certificate—
 - (a) Of domicile issued under rule 23 of these Rules; and
 - (b) That she has taken the oath of allegiance set out in the Schedule to the Act.
- (6) If the applicant's husband but for his death would have been a citizen of Pakistan under the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 6 of the Act (whether he migrated as provided in that sub-section or is deemed under the proviso to section 7 to have so migrated), the application shall be accompanied by a certificate issued by the Provincial Government that the husband would have been entitled to a certificate under rule 10 or 11 of these Rules.
- (7) The Federal Government shall, after such inquires as it considers necessary, pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
 - * Subs for the word "Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.
 - 1 Subs.,for "Commonwealth Citizen",ibid
 - Ins. by Notification No.2/1/57 Citz, dated 5th August, 1957, see Gaz.or P.,1957 pt.I,p.355.
- **15.** Any woman who claims citizenship under sub-section (2) of section 10 of the Act shall apply in Form 'F' in triplicate to the Federal Government in the namely—
 - (a) If her husband is alive, each form shall be accompanied by the following documents:—
 - (i) a certificate of Pakistan citizenship granted to her husband ¹[or any other evidence establishing the husband's citizenship of Pakistan];
 - (ii) a marriage certificate or any other evidence establishing the applicant's marriage; and²
 - (iii) an affidavit completing her stay in Pakistan for an aggregate period of five years: and
 - (b) If her husband is dead at the time of the application, the application shall be accompanied by the certificate or other evidence mentioned in sub
 clauses (ii) and (iii) of clause (a), and by the certificate mentioned in sub
 clause (i) of that clause or by a statement of facts recorded on oath

- showing that had he been alive he would be entitled to citizenship of Pakistan under section 3, 4 or 5 of the Act.
- (c) If the applicant is an alien, the application shall further be accompanied by a certificate—
 - (i) of domicile issued under rule 23 of these Rules, and
 - (ii) that she has taken the oath of allegiance set out in the Schedule to the Act.
- (d) If the applicant's husband but for his death would have been a citizen of Pakistan under the provisions of sub-section (i) of section 6 of the Act (whether he migrated as provided in that sub-section or is deemed under the provisions to section 7 to have so migrated), the application shall be accompanied by a certificate issued by the Provincial Government that the husband would have been entitled to a certificate under rule 10 or 11 of these Rules.
- (e) The Federal Government shall, after such enquiries as it considers necessary, pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
- **16.** (1) Any woman claiming citizenship through marriage in accordance with rule 14 or rule 15 after she has been deprived of it under the Act, shall submit with her application a statement on oath giving the restoration of her citizenship.
 - (2) The Federal Government shall, after such enquiries considers necessary, pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
- **17. Registration of minors.** (1) Any person claiming citizenship for a minor shall apply in Form 'M' in duplicate.
 - (2) The form shall be submitted to the authority to whom the parent or guardian would be required to apply under these Rules if he were claiming citizenship for himself.

1 Ins. by Notification No.2/1/57 Citz, dated 5th August, 1957, see Gaz.or P.,1957 pt.I,p.355.

- 2 Ins. by SRO No. 134(1)/2007 (F.No. 3/38/2005-Citz) dated 03-02-2007
- ¹[(3) The application shall be accompanied by a certificate of citizenship, if any, of the parent or guardian.]
- (4) The Federal Government may, on an application submitted to it in the manner aforesaid or of its own motion, register any minor as a citizen of Pakistan.
- **18. Citizenship by incorporation of territory.** The Federal Government may, by notification in the Gazette and on such terms and conditions as may be specified in such notification, apply all or any of these Rules to persons who, by reason of their

connection with any territory which may be incorporated in Pakistan, are entitled to be citizens' of Pakistan.

19. Renunciation of dual citizenship or nationality. Any person who, under section 14 of the Act, makes a declaration of renunciation of his status as a citizen or national of another country, shall produce satisfactory evidence that he has made such a declaration.

- ³[19-A. Declaration of renunciation of Pakistan Citizenship. (1) A declaration of renunciation of the citizenship of Pakistan made under section 14-A of the Act shall be in Form 'X' in quadruplicate and shall state—
 - (a) under what provision of law the applicant is a citizen of Pakistan; and
 - (b) the other country of which the applicant is a citizen or national or the competent authority of which has given him any valid document assuring him of the grant of citizenship or nationality of that country upon his renouncing his citizenship of Pakistan.
 - (2) The declaration shall be made to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country where the person concerned is residing and shall be forwarded by such Mission or Consulate to the Directorate General of Immigration and Passports for registration.
 - (3) There shall be kept by the Directorate General of Immigration and Passports, a register in Form 'X-I' containing the names of persons whose declarations of renunciation of citizenship are registered under this rule.
 - (4) The person concerned will cease to be a citizen of Pakistan from the date of such registration].
- **3[19-B. Declaration of intention to resume citizenship of Pakistan.** (1) A declaration under the proviso to clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 14A of the Act shall be made in quadruplicate in Form 'Y'—
 - (a) if the person making the declaration is residing in a foreign country to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country; and
 - (b) in any other case, to the Directorate General of Immigration and Passports, through the Provincial Government concerned.
 - 1 Subs, for the original sub-rule (3) by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
 - 2 Proviso omitted, ibid
 - 3 New Rules 19-A & 19-B. Ins.by Notification No.SRO.155(1)/73 Pub.In.Gaz.of Pak.,Extra, Pt-II dt 2-2-1973
 - (2) Such declaration shall be registered by the Directorate General of Immigration and Passports and the person concerned shall become a citizen of Pakistan from the date of such declaration.

- (3) There shall be kept by the Directorate General of Immigration and Passports a register in Form 'Y-I' containing the names of persons whose declarations of intention to resume Pakistan citizenship are registered under this rule.]
- **20.** Acquisition of Pakistan citizenship by Commonwealth citizens. (1)Any Commonwealth citizen ¹[or British protected person] may apply in Form 'R' in duplicate for the citizenship of Pakistan.
 - (2) The application shall be submitted to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country or where there is no Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country to ¹[a prescribed Mission or Consulate or to] a Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to that country ²[* * *] But if the applicant is at the time of the application resident in Pakistan, he shall apply to the Federal Government.
 - (3) The application shall be accompanied by an affidavit of the truth of the statements made therein.
 - (4) The Mission or Consulate or the Government of Pakistan may ask for such information in regard to—
 - (a) the national status of the applicant in his country;
 - (b) his knowledge of languages;
 - (c) his special qualifications, if any;
 - (d) his income and its source; and
 - (e) any disabilities to which citizens of Pakistan are subject in the country of the applicant.
- (5) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.

Ins, by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.

The words "or to nearest British Mission or Consulate" omitted, ibid.

- **21. Registration of birth in countries abroad.** The birth of a child of a citizen of Pakistan occurring in a country outside Pakistan shall be registered at a Mission or Consulate in the manner following:—
 - (a) Any parent or guardian of the child shall, within six months of the birth, report in writing in Form 'S" the fact of the birth to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country, or where there is no such Mission or Consulate in the country, to a Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to that country. Such report shall, among other things, indicate the full name, parentage and addresses of the parents of the child, his date and place of birth and whether the parents, or if they are dead, the guardian is a servant of any Government in Pakistan or of an international organization of which Pakistan has at any time during that period been a member.

¹[(aa)Where such report is made after the expiry of six months from the date of the birth of a child, the Mission or Consulate may register the birth on being satisfied as to the genuineness and sufficiency of the reasons for not making the report within the said period:

Provided that no birth shall be registered on a report made after the expiry of one year from the date of the birth, except with the previous approval in writing of the Federal Government.]

- (b) The Mission or-Consulate may call for any other information before the registration of the child.
- (c) Copies of the registration certificates issued by the Mission or Consulate shall be furnished to the applicant, and to the Government of Pakistan.
- **22. Annual Registration of Pakistan citizens abroad.** Every citizen of Pakistan resident abroad ²[not being in such service as is referred to in clause (i) of sub section (4) of section 16 of the Act] shall register himself annually at a Mission or Consulate or in a country where there is no Pakistan Mission or Consulate, at the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in a country nearest, to that country in the manner following:
 - a) He shall register himself by forwarding to the Mission or Consulate a statement indicating his intention to retain citizenship of Pakistan. This statement shall, among other things, indicate his full name and parentage, his address in Pakistan and in the country of his

residence, details of the passport or other travel documents carried by him and details of the members of his family. 1 Ins.by Notification No.SRO.1107(K)/62, dated the 8th October, 1962, see Gazette of P, 1962 Pt.I, p.495.

- $2 \;\; \text{Ins.by Notification No.11/117/52.Poll(I), dated the 15th January, 1953, see Gaz.of P., pt.1,p.20.}$

- b) This statement shall be forwarded in duplicate in the first quarter of every year following the year of his arrival in the country of residence.
- c) The Mission or Consulate shall acknowledge receipt of the form; and such acknowledgment shall be evidence of his having been formally registered.
- **23 Certificate of domicile.** The Federal Government, the Provincial Government or *[a District Co-ordination Officer other than in Islamabad Capital Territory or Chief Commissioner, Islamabad Capital Territory, or an authorized officer] may on application made to it in this behalf issue a certificate of domicile in Form 'P-I' in the manner following:—
 - (a) An application for a certificate of domicile shall be made in Form 'P' in duplicate. It shall be accompanied by an affidavit affirming the truth of the statements made in it and affirming further that the applicant had not migrated to India after the first day of March, 1947 or that, having so migrated, had returned to Pakistan under a permit for resettlement or permanent return issued by an officer authorized by the Government of Pakistan.
 - (b) Any authority to whom an application is presented may demand such evidence as it may be considered necessary for satisfying itself that the facts stated in the application are correct and that the applicant has been continually resident in Pakistan for a period not less than one year and intends to live permanently in Pakistan.
 - (c) The authority shall pass such order on the application as it deems fit.
- **24. Certificate of citizenship in doubtful cases.** (1) The Federal Government may on application made to it in that behalf grant a certificate of citizenship in Form 'Q-I' to any person with respect to whose citizenship a doubt exists, whether on a question of law or of fact.
 - (2) An application in this behalf shall be made in Form 'Q' in triplicate and shall be supported by an affidavit of the truth of the statements made therein.
 - (3) The certificate of citizenship granted in 'Q-1' shall be withdrawn as soon as possible and not later than the issue of a certificate of citizenship under any of these Rules. It shall be granted for one year in the first instance

but may be extended from time to time unless withdrawn as herein provided.

*Subs for the words "Any District Magistrate authorized by the provincial government in this behalf" vide SRO No.115(1) 2002 dated 20-2-2002.

- **25. Deprivation of citizenship.** (1) The Federal Government may on a report from the Provincial Government or on its own motion issue a notice to any person who being a citizen of Pakistan by ¹[naturalization]--
 - (a) has shown himself by any act or speech to be disloyal or disaffected to the Constitution of Pakistan.
 - (b) has during a war in which Pakistan is or has been engaged, unlawfully traded or communicated with the enemy or engaged in or associated with any business that was to his knowledge carried on in such a manner as to assist the enemy in that war, or
 - (c) has within five years of being ¹[naturalized] been sentenced in any country to imprisonment for a term of not less than twelve months, to show cause why an order depriving him of the citizenship of Pakistan should not be passed against him.
 - (2) Such notice shall contain information of the grounds on which it is proposed to make the order depriving him of citizenship.
 - (3) (a) Any person served with a notice in accordance with the two foregoing sub-rules may, within sixty days of the service of such notice, apply to the Federal Government for the appointment of a committee of enquiry.
 - (b) Such an application shall among others things be accompanied by an affidavit that the allegations made against him are untrue, and by a bond for such sum not exceeding Rs. 5,000 as the Federal Government may demand to be forfeited to Government should the committee of enquiry find the application false and frivolous or given with a view to causing delay.
 - (c) On receiving the application, Government shall appoint a committee as prescribed in sub-section (7) of section 16 of the Act.

- (4) The Federal Government may of its own motion or on the application of any person appoint a committee of enquiry in the manner aforesaid for enquiring into an application submitted to it under sub-section (4) of section 16 of the Act or to enquire into the fact of the continued residence outside Pakistan of any citizen of Pakistan for a period of seven years ²[beginning not earlier than the commencement of the Act].
- 1 Subsl, for "naturalization" by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
- 2 Added by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.

- (5) An application under sub-section (4) of section 16 of the Act shall be accompanied by an affidavit stating the grounds on which the application is made, and if the applicant is residing in a foreign country the application may be submitted to the Pakistan Mission or Consulate in that country or where there is no Mission or Consulate in that country to a ¹[prescribed Mission or Consulate or to a] Pakistan Mission or Consulate in the country nearest to that country ²[* * * * * *]
- (6) The Federal Government shall pass such orders on the report of the committee of enquiry or, if a committee is not appointed, on the application itself as it deems fit.
- **26. Penalty for obtaining citizenship by misrepresentation.** (1) Any Magistrate of the first class, a Provincial Government or the Federal Government, on receiving information that a person has obtained his certificate of citizenship, certificate of registration as a citizen of Pakistan, certificate of domicile or certificate of ³[naturalization], by fraud, false representation or the concealment of any material fact or that his certificate of '[naturalization] has been revoked, may authorize or require a competent Magistrate to authorize a police officer under section 155 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (Act V of 1898), to investigate the truth of the information.
 - (2) If on the result of the investigation it appears that the said person has made statement or furnished information which comes within the mischief of section 21 of the Act, the Federal or Provincial Government may direct that the said person be prosecuted under section 177 of the Pakistan Penal Code (Act XVI 1860), or under any other law for the time being in force.
 - (3) A conviction by the Court shall render null and void any certificate mentioned in sub-rule (1).

4[27 Fees. Applications under these Rules shall be accompanied by a Bank draft or a challan of the value indicated in the Schedule to these Rules.]

- Ins., by "naturalization" by Notification No.11/62-52/Poll(1), dated 23-4-1953. see Gaz.of P.,1953,pt.I,pp.117-18.
- 2. The words " or to the nearest British Mission or Consulate" omitted , ibid
- 3. Subs.for "Naturalization" ibid.
- 4. Subs., for the original Rule 27, by Notification No.2/1/54-Citiz., dated the 9th April, 1954 see Gaz. of P.1954, pt.I,p.93

- **28. Photographs.** Any person to whom a certificate of citizenship or of registration as a citizen of Pakistan is issued may be required to furnish four photographs except in the case of a *purdanashin* woman.
- ¹[28-A. **Duplicate copies of Certificates of Citizenship,** (a) Any person to whom a certificate of citizenship has been granted, may, if his certificate is lost or damaged or if he wishes to get his certificate of citizenship replaced by a certificate of citizenship with changed name or other particulars, shall apply in Form 'V in duplicate normally to the Federal Government, Provincial Government, Local Administration or any Pakistan Mission in a foreign country through whom he obtained his previous certificate of citizenship.
 - (b) Each such form shall be attested by a Magistrate or a Notary Public.
 - (c) It shall "be accompanied by four passport size photographs of the applicant ²[of one and the same pose].
 - (d) The Provincial Government, Local Administration or the Pakistan Mission to whom the application is made, shall forward the application to the Federal Government with their own recommendation, provided that if the original certificate was issued by the Provincial Government it shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.
 - (e) The Federal Government may pass such orders on the application forwarded to it as it deems fit.]
 - ³[28-B. *(a)* Any person to whom a certificate of domicile has been granted, may, if his certificate is lost or damaged or if he wishes to get his certificate of domicile with changed name or other particulars shall apply in Form 'V in duplicate normally to the Federal Government, Provincial Government or the District Magistrate through whom he obtained his previous certificate of domicile.
 - (b) Each such form shall be attested by a Magistrate or a Notary Public.
 - (c) It shall be accompanied by four passport size photographs of the applicant of one and the same pose.
 - (d) The authority which granted the original certificate shall pass such orders on the application as it deems fit.

- 1. Rule 28-A,ins.by Notification No.13/33/53-Poll(I), dated the 15th August, 1953, Gaz. of p.,I,p.188
- 2. Added by Notification No.1/3/57-Citiz., dated the 9th January, 1958, see Gaz. of p.,1958, pt.1,p.26.
- 3. Rule 28-B, ins.ibid.
- **Miscellaneous.** All things done by a Magistrate, *[District Co-ordination Officer, Chief Commissioner, Islamabad Capital Territory or an authorized officer] or Provincial Government under these Rules shall be deemed to be done by or on behalf of the Federal Government.
- **30.** Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 29 above, the Federal Government may at any time entertain any application, appeal, review or revision application and may cancel, suspend, invalidate, extend or revise any certificate issued under these Rules or pass any other orders it may deem necessary or fit.



^{*} Subs for the words " District Magistrate" vide S.R.O No.115(I)2002 dated 20-2-2002.