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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

by Indians
Imprisoned Abroad



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A. Detention and Consular Access

Q 1. Who will know I am detained?

At time of arrest: The arresting officer must notify you 'without delay' of your right to have the representative of the concerned Indian Diplomatic Mission (hereafter referred to as the Mission) informed about your detention.

At the same time, subject to your consent, arresting officer is also obliged to inform your consulate about your detention.

Upon detention in a prison: The Officer-in-charge of the prison where you are detained must notify, pursuant to your consent, the Mission on particulars of your detention, including details of the charges against you and current place of custody.

However, subject to the prevalent procedures in the country of your detention, such intimations may not be communicated directly to the mission. It may be routed through the state home departments, who would then share the information with the concerned mission. This may take time. However, you can ask your lawyer or legal aid representative to contact the Mission directly on your behalf to inform them about your detention.

Q 2. Who will inform my family about my detention?

A consular officer from the Mission or your lawyer can inform your family about your detention. In case your family members are in the same city as you, they can visit you in your place of detention.

Q 3. What must the Mission do for me?

As soon as the information about your detention/arrest is received by the Mission, they must get in touch with local authorities to obtain the requisite permissions to provide you consular access in the place of your detention. Consular access is the ability of citizens of a country to have access, physical or via communication, with the consular officials of their own country while being detained in a foreign country.

Once your sentence has been completed, the Mission must also take necessary steps to facilitate your repatriation back to India.

Q 4. What other assistance can the Mission provide?

You can ask your family/friends to visit the Mission's website to see details of all the assistance they can provide. Generally, such other assistance may include providing advice and guidance in legal and other matters, requesting local authorities for speedy trial, ensuring fair and humane treatment in your place of detention, and seeking remission of sentence, among other things.

The Mission generally helps the prisoner understand the local prison and court system. They also help in facilitating and restoring family ties by informing your family, friends and relatives



about your detention and then sustaining contact. They keep a check on your health and ensure that proper medical care is accorded to you by the detaining authority. Often, the Mission also facilitates interpretation or translation of legal documents; however, you may once want to check this with the consular officer who visits you in prison.

In some countries, the Mission also requests the local government to grant amnesty to arrested Indians and forwards to local authorities mercy petitions for remission of sentences (if any) from the prisoner's family.

Q 5. What will the embassy not do for me?

Your Mission may not:

- Intervene in another country's court proceedings or legal matters including criminal cases, except to the extent permitted by the laws of that country;
 - Get you out of prison except as per the legal procedures of that country;
 - Post bail or pay your fines or legal expenses, except as permissible under the rules;
 - Extradite/deport/repatriate/return a person involuntarily and/or without legal basis or in the absence of a treaty or arrangement.
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Q 6. What are the different stages of incarceration?

You could be inside a prison as a detainee prisoner, remand prisoner, unsentenced prisoner or convict prisoner. A detainee is inside jail under preventive charges. A prisoner is said to be in remand till the time the police does not file a charge-sheet against him and trial does not commence. An unsentenced prisoner is one whose trial has started but no decision has been taken by the court on his guilt. A convict prisoner is one who has been pronounced guilty beyond doubt by a court and sentenced to imprisonment. If you have completed your sentence but are still in prison, you must inform your Mission at the earliest.

Q 7. Can my family and friends come to visit me? How many visits am I allowed?

Yes, they can visit you but the number of visits and duration varies between prisons in each country, and is guided by the rules governing the prison. You can ask them to check the prison website, or contact the prison by telephone/email. They may also seek assistance from the Mission for obtaining this information.

Q 8. Can my lawyer visit me in jail?

Yes. Lawyers are permitted to visit their clients in prison. Your lawyer should check with prison authorities about the procedure and rules governing such visits.

Q 9. I cannot afford lawyer. Will the Mission arrange one for me?

In some countries where pro-bono lawyers are available, the Mission arranges such legal assistance for Indian prisoners as part of the Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF). The ICWF was set up in 2009 with the aim of assisting Overseas Indian Nationals in times of distress and emergency in the 'most deserving cases' on a 'means tested basis'.



Q 10. How can I stay in touch with my friends and family?

This will vary from country to country, as some countries offer provisions to make video-calls or international calls to family. Writing letters is another way of staying in touch with kin, and some countries may even provide postage for this or require you to pay for it. This must be verified in the relevant prison rules.

Q 11. What is the procedure for my family to visit me?

This procedure too will vary from country to country. Your lawyer, who would be well-versed with the law of the country, should advise you and your family in this regard; alternatively, you can confide in the officer-in-charge of the prison and request information from them. You may also seek assistance from the Mission in understanding the process.

Q 12. What can my family and friends bring for me in prison?

Your family and friends can bring food, hygiene products and clothes for you inside prison. But the rules regarding this differ from country to country. Please refer to relevant prison rules.

Q 13. Can I work inside prison? If yes, how much will I be paid for it?

This depends on the type of offence, the status of your case and the sentence you have been awarded. Since every country has a different set of rules regarding whether prisoners can work and their wages, the head of the prison or prison officer in-charge can be contacted for this information.

Q 14. I have completed my sentence, but I have not been released. Can my Mission help?

Yes. Approaching the Mission with your details is the first step towards repatriation. Wherever possible, the Mission provides assistance to complete the necessary paperwork for your release and repatriation, immediately upon the completion of your sentence. In cases where you have a valid passport and visa, the Mission can assist in procuring the tickets and getting requisite documentation completed by prison authorities. If you do not have a valid passport or visa, the Mission can assist you by issuing necessary travel documents or emergency certificates and provide support for your repatriation to India.

B. Transfer and Repatriation to India

Q 15. Do I have the option of serving the rest of my sentence in my home country?

Yes, you can, if you fulfill the following conditions:

- The country where you are imprisoned has an agreement with India under the Repatriation of Prisoners Act 2003. You may request the prison authorities or family members or



consular officer to check the website of Consular Passport and Visa Division of the Ministry of External Affairs for a list of such countries;

- You do not have a pending inquiry, trial or any other proceeding;
- You have not been awarded the death penalty;
- You have not been convicted under military law;
- Your transfer is not prejudicial to the sovereignty, security or any other interest of the country of your imprisonment.

Q 16. What are the basic conditions for transfer?

You must be a citizen of India.

- The judgment is final and death penalty has not been imposed on you.
- No criminal proceedings are pending against you in the Sentencing/ Transferring State in which your presence is required.
- You have not been convicted for an offence under military law.
- At the time of receipt of the request for transfer, you still have more than six months to serve, barring some exceptional cases or you are undergoing a sentence of life imprisonment.
- The acts or omission of which you were sentenced in the Sentencing State are those which are punishable as a crime in the Receiving State, or would constitute a criminal offence if committed on its territory.

Q 17. Which countries have an agreement with India for such Sentence Transfers?

The Government of India has signed the Agreement on Transfer of Sentenced Persons with the United Kingdom, Mauritius, Bulgaria, France, Egypt, Sri Lanka, Cambodia, South Korea, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Bangladesh, Israel, the UAE, Italy, Turkey, Maldives, Thailand, the Russian Federation, Kuwait, Belize, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Venezuela, Paraguay, the United States, Uruguay, Panama, the Czech Republic, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Vietnam, Australia, Qatar, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Bahrain, Estonia, Somalia and Spain.

The Government of India has also acceded to the Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad and Council of Europe's Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons.

Q 18. What provisions govern the transfer of sentenced prisoners to India?

- The Repatriation of Prisoners Act, 2003
- The Repatriation Rules, 2004
- Guidelines on 'Repatriation of foreign prisoners from India to foreign country and vice versa, under the Repatriation of Prisoners Act 2003 (10th August 2015)
- The Prisons Act, 1984
- Various State Prison Manuals
- UNODC Handbook on the International transfer of sentenced prisoners
- Corresponding rules in the country of your detention.



Q 19. How can I apply for transfer of sentence to India?

If you fulfill all the aforementioned conditions, you may make an application to the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) by filling Form I of the Repatriation of Prisoners Rules, 2004. (Annexure I)

Q 20. Can anyone else apply on my behalf?

The transfer application may be filed by a person other than the prisoner, if and when the prisoner is unable to do it themselves due to old age, ill-health, mental condition or them being a minor.

Q 21. What documents should generally be submitted along with the transfer application?

The application must be accompanied by documentary evidence to establish the identity of the person concerned, such as passports, photographs, fingerprints, etc. A copy of the judgment (in English) detailing the offence for which you are imprisoned, including the details of number of years for which one is convicted, the sentence already served, the sentence pending, and is undergoing the sentence in the foreign country.

The Indian Mission in the country where the prisoner is incarcerated should ensure that the complete and correct details of the prisoner are collected and sent to the MHA. Until all details are received, the MHA will not process the request.

To ensure that only applications accompanied by all the relevant information and documents are forwarded by the Indian Mission, a detailed check list is enclosed as Annexure II.

Q 22. What happens after my application is submitted to the MHA?

- The MHA will ascertain that the application is complete.
 - If it is, then it will initiate a nationality verification process.
 - Once the nationality is confirmed, the MHA will evaluate the duration and nature of your sentence, its compatibility with Indian Law and identify the prison where you will be confined upon repatriation to India.
 - You will then be informed about the details for your imprisonment i.e. name of prison and sentence to be served in India.
 - If you consent to these, the transfer order will be issued by the MHA.
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Q 23. What if the sentence for the offence is different in both countries?

If the sentence of imprisonment passed against you is found incompatible with Indian law, either regarding its nature or duration, or both, MHA shall issue a sentence adaptability order.

Q 24. If I am unhappy with the adapted sentence or the prison I will be transferred to, can I refuse to proceed with the repatriation?

Before granting permission for repatriation, you will be informed about the total quantum of



sentence you will have to undergo in India and the place of confinement. The repatriation will proceed only if you give your consent.

Q 25. On what basis will the prison I will be sent to be identified?

The goal of implementing transfer agreements is to allow the transferred person to stay close to their family; thus, the MHA will try to identify a prison where the prisoner wants to be confined or where their near relatives are staying.

Q 26. What are the possible grounds for my transfer application to be rejected?

Generally, permission will be denied to persons charged with heinous crimes such as multiple or serial murders, terrorism, pedophilia, etc.

Permission will also not be granted to habitual or repeat offenders or members of any international or national organised crime gangs as the probability of their social rehabilitation is doubtful and their presence in India (even in prisons) can be detrimental to the larger interest of the country.

Q 27. What happens if the transfer agreement has gone through, but I do not have sufficient funds to pay air-fare back to India?

You may approach the Mission to seek financial assistance. Additionally, you can also approach the Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF), which can assist Overseas Indian nationals during distress and emergency.

Q 28. Who do I complain to if I have a grievance?

A prisoner and/or their family members can register grievances on the 'Madad Portal' (a consular grievance monitoring system) at madad@gov.in. This portal is linked to the website of Ministry of External Affairs. This is a user-friendly Portal where a complaint once lodged is automatically transferred to the concerned Mission/Post. The status of its redressal is then reflected on a 'Track Grievance' section. The mobile number registered on the Portal gets an SMS-based response when the status changes. Meanwhile the received complaint is also forwarded to the concerned Mission/Post for action.

It is also advised to send emails with grievances instead of sending physical copies because it is easier and faster to forward complaints online, as well as avoid the wastage of paper, postage and photocopying/scanning work, etc.



HOW TO AVAIL TRANSFER TO YOUR HOME COUNTRY?

Step 1: You must be convicted of an offence.

- Once sentenced, you or any person entitled to act on your behalf can file an application for transfer.



Step 2: You must be eligible for transfer

- you must be willing
- you must be verified to be an Indian National
- you must not be convicted for a military offence or awarded a death sentence
- you must not have any inquiry, trial or proceeding pending
- you must not be considered a threat to security, sovereignty or any other interest of India



Step 3: An application for seeking transfer must be submitted

- Your application for transfer must include proof of nationality, copy of the final judgment, address in the receiving state and other relevant documents, as prescribed. The application must be sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs in India. You may send your application via the Indian Diplomatic Mission in the country of imprisonment.



Step 4: Nationality verification must be completed

- Once an application is received, the ministry must first verify that he is a citizen of India.
- If he has a valid passport, the verification is done immediately.
- In cases where there are no records, the ministry writes to the concerned state home department for verification. The request for verification is then sent to the district superintendent of police to ascertain the details. Once verified the information is sent back to the ministry for follow up.



Step 5: Sentence Adaptation, if required

- the Indian government may adapt the sentence, if it is incompatible in nature or duration or both.
- Sentence to be adapted to sentence for same offence in India
- Adapted sentence must not aggravate the punishment
- The ministry may consult the Ministry of Law & Justice, the Narcotics Control Bureau, or other concerned

Step 9: Transit and Handing Over to Authorities

- Escorts carry the authorisation and photo identification documents of the prisoner to be handed over to the transferring state.
- The transferring state hands over the prisoners records to escorts
- After immigration at the airport, the prisoner is handed over to the authorised escorts who in turn give a custody certificate to the handing over authorities
- The prisoner is then taken to selected prison and handed over with the records to the officer in charge of the state prison.



Step 8: How the transfer takes place

- A notice will be sent by the Government of India to the foreign country. Two escorts will be sent from India or by the foreign country, for the duration of the journey home. Emergency Travel Documents or Emergency Return Certificates may be issued by the Indian Mission as per the authorization by Government of India. Flight arrangements are made, the foreign country's immigration department gets permission from the airlines and then the date of travel is fixed.



Step 7: Final Approval

- Finally, to effect the actual transfer, the MHA must take the approval of the Home Minister.



Step 6: You must give written consent to adapted sentence

- Once a sentence adaptation order is passed, you must give written consent and the authorities of the foreign country should also be in agreement, only then it can be implemented.





Annexure I

Form 1

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF SENTENCED PERSON (under rule 3)

(Particulars are to be furnished in respect of the sentenced person)

Joint Secretary (CS) Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs North Block

New Delhi Sir,

I request that I may be transferred to serve remaining period of my sentence in a prison situated in _____, the country of my nationality (name of the contracting State). I hereby furnish the following information for consideration of my application:-

1. Name in BLOCK LETTERS and nationality
2. Name of father/husband
3. Full address in the contracting State
4. Date of birth/age
5. Offence(s) under which convicted
6. Name of the Court which convicted
7. Date of judgment
8. The nature, duration and date of commencement of the sentence
9. Name of the prison, where undergoing sentence :

I, _____, (name in full alongwith nationality and in block letters), son/daughter of Mr./Ms. _____ declare that the information furnished by me as above is correct, complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I may be held liable for any action, if any information furnished by me is found incorrect.

Address (in case signatory is other than the prisoner):

(Please see instructions overleaf).

(signature of the applicant or of the person entitled to act on behalf of the prisoner in case of his ill health, mental condition, old age or being minor)

Instructions

1. The application in original should be sent to Joint Secretary (CS), Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi by; ordinary/registered post.
2. A copy of the application may be delivered to the officer-in-charge of the jail where the prisoner is undergoing the sentence.
3. Following documents may be attached with the application:-
 - o (a) A copy of the judgment passed against the prisoner;
 - o (b) Document indicating that the prisoner is a citizen of the contracting State.
4. In case the application is being made by the person entitled to act on behalf of the prisoner, he/she should write his/her full name alongwith nationality & address below his/her signature.



Annexure II

Checklist of documents to be furnished along with the repatriation request of the prisoner:

S. No.	Documents	Status	Yes/ No
1.	Signed consent request for repatriation - this is given in Form 1 of Repatriation of prisoner rules 2004 (pages 15 and 16 of the guidelines refer) - to be signed by the prisoner or on his behalf.		
2.	Copy of judgment, translated in English if in any other language. This should also be accompanied by a summary statement of the conviction and the offence for which convicted under the relevant laws of the country in which convicted.		
3.	Copies of identification documents like passport etc.		
4.	a. Nominal roll from the jail lodged in. b. presently routed through the jail authorities listing out: (i) the start date of conviction/ sentence (ii) period under gone and (iii) the balance remaining as on date of application.		
5.	A record of his health and mental condition (certificate from a medical doctor).		
6.	(i) A recent photograph in profile and (ii) front view with other details		
7.	A certified confirmation that no other case is pending in any other court in the country of incarceration - (this would be done through the jail authorities and home department).		
8.	A confirmation that no appeal is pending against his present conviction in any court of law/ tribunal.		
9.	An undertaking (as per Annexure III) by the prisoner that he/she will not challenge the conviction of the court once repatriated to his own country by way of an attempt to get a lower sentence as the repatriation process is not intended to subvert the judicial process for getting lesser sentences in own countries.		
10.	Whether the prisoner, or his relatives etc. are ready to bear his cost of transportation.		



Annexure III

Undertaking to be given by the prisoner applying for his/her repatriation to India

1. IS/o/D/o/W/opresently lodged in(name of jail and the city/ country) since(start date of sentence) for the offence of(list offence(s)) under sections/ articles/ clausesof the.....(Acts/ Rules etc. of the country where sentenced) do hereby undertake of my own volition not to agitate/ challenge the sentence adaptability order issued under the terms of the Agreement on Transfer of Sentenced persons once i am repatriated back to India in any court of law as i agree, while making a request for transfer to abide by the terms and conditions of the Agreement/ Treaty on transfer of sentenced persons between India and (name of the country/ Multilateral Convention).
2. I also confirm that there is no other case pending against me at the time of making the request for repatriation and further, that there is no appeal pending in the case under which i have been convicted by a court of law in the country of incarceration.

Signature of the prisoner

Place.....

Date.....

Witness thereto.

Place.....

Date.....



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Tajikistan	Ambassador	45, Bukhoro Street Dushanbe Dushanbe	00-992 (37) 2217172, 00-935710262, 00-992 (37) 2213988	00-992 (37) 2510035, 00-992 (37) 2510045, 00-992 (37) 2212461	info.dushanbe@mea.gov.in, cons.dushanbe@mea.gov.in, hoc.dushanbe@mea.gov.in, pol.dushanbe@mea.gov.in, amb.dushanbe@mea.gov.in
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Aruba	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Oranjestad c/o Boolchands Free Zone, Lood DI-1 Curacao, Netherlands Antilles. [*Under jurisdiction of Embassy of India, Caracas]	00-5999-4612262 (O), 00-5999-4610331 (R), 00-5999-4612263 (F)	00-5999-4614345	ram-boolchand@gmail.com
Barbados	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, St. Michael 1st Floor, Sandy Crest Medical Centre, Sunset Crest, Holetown, St. James, BB 24015, Barbados. [*Under Emb of India, Paramaribo]	001-246-4221326(O), 001-246-4248618 (R)	001-246-4221326	hcindiabds@caribsurf.com (O), mohini@carbisurf.com (R)
Belize	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, Belize City [Under jurisdiction of Embassy of India, Mexico] No. 2, Queen Street, PO Box No.830, Belize City, Belize	00-501-227 1634(O), 00-501-223 0634 (R)	00-501-423 7078	indconsul.belize@yahoo.com
Benin	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, Cotonou Onsulat de L Inde, Nirvana, Lot No.1430 R , Vedoko Missogbe, Cotonou, Benin. [*Under jurisdiction of High Commission of India, Abuja]	00-229-97-385220, 97-974502(R), 95-954091 (R), 90-905105(R)	00-229-97-380724	indconsul.benin@sify.com, ashokmir@yahoo.com, ashokmir@gmail.com
Bolivia	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, La Paz Av. Arce 2670 Esq. Gozalvez, Edificio Apolo, Piso 7, Oficina 701 La Paz, Republic of Bolivia. [*Under Embassy of India, Lima]	00-591-2-2430115, 00-591-2-2118672 (O), 00-591-2-2722077 (R)	00-591-2-2118672	consulado.india.lapaz@gmail.com, jvelazquez19@hotmail.com



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Cameroon	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Cameroon C /o. Nakira-kam, 1058, Bd du general Leclerc, Douala, Cameroon. [R]: BP 15175, Douala, Cameroon. [*Under High Comm. of India, Abuja]	00-237-33427464 00-237-33425880 00-237-33427474 (O), 00-237-33427906 (R)	00-237-33429773	ravidouala@yahoo.com
Central African Republic	Honorary Consul General of India	Honorary Consulate General of India B. P. 3364, Enface de Mamica A. V. Banda, Pk-4, Bangui Republique Centrafricaine	00-236-70804343		
Chad	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, N djamena Avenue Charles de Gaulle, P.O. Box No.1500, N djamena, Rep. of Chad [*Under jurisdiction of High Commission of India, Abuja]	00-235-2524307 (O), 00-235-2520333 (R), 00-235-6552270 (M)	00-235-2524357	tv2000@intnet.td (O) nassirarzaamkhan@yahoo.uk (R)
Comoros	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Moroni B.P. 504, Coulee de Lave, Moroni, Union of the Comoros. [*Under jurisdiction of Embassy of India, Antananarivo (Madagascar)]	00-269-732129, 00-269-7731652 (R), 00-269-3335152 (M)	00-269-7731652	
Congo (Republic of)	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, Brazzaville B.P. 168, Avenue Bayardelle, Brazzaville, Republic of Congo. [*Under jurisdiction of Embassy of India, Kinshasa, DR of Congo]	00-242-811646 (O) 00-242-810099 (R)	00-242-815782 (O&R)	hcgzv@yahoo.co.in, regalste@yahoo.com (R), regal@mtybernet.com (R), regalcgo2@yahoo.fr (R)



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Djibouti	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Djibouti Rue D Athens, Djibouti City, Post Box No.171, Djibouti. [*Under jurisdiction of Embassy of India, Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)]	00-253-350219, 00-253-552394 (O), 00-252-350911 (R)	00-253-351778	ops@kothari.dj, nalin@kothari.dj
Dominican Republic	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Santo Domingo AutoHas Av John F. Kennedy esq. Gracita Alvarez, Santo Domingo (*Under E/I Havana)	001-809-3344111 (O)	001-809-3344100	regi@autohaus.com.do
Ecuador	Honorary Consul	Embassy of India in Bogotá, Colombia is concurrently accredited to Ecuador			
El Salvador	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, San Salvador Parque Res. Altamira, Edif. No.6, Floor 3, Calle Los Viveros y Buvd. Altamira, San Salvador. [*Under Embassy of India, Panama]	00-503-22733990, 00-503-22483312 (O), 00-503-22636864 (R)	00-503-25030670	oficinadrpacas@yahoo.com
Gabon	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, Libreville B.P. 6111, Libreville, Gabon. [*Under jurisdiction of Embassy of India, Kinshasa, DR of Congo]	00-241-764307 00-07285555(M)	00-241-744626	indcongab@yahoo.fr, indcongab@hotmail.com
Gambia	Honorary Consul General	Honorary Consulate General of India, Banjul 1st Floor, Kripa House, Fajara M Section, Off Kairaba Avenue, PO Box No.2389, Serekunda KSMD, The Gambia. [*Under E/I Dakar].	00-220-4397741, 00-220-4393628 (O), 00-220-4495771 (R), 009965771 (M)	00-220-4393637	rammohan@gamtel.gm, rmjam@hotmail.com



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Netherlands Antilles	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Curacao c/o Boolchands Free Zone, Lood DI-1 Curacao, Netherlands Antilles. {For Netherlands Antilles & Arbu} [*Under Emb of India, Caracas]	00-5999-4612262 (O), 00-5999-4610331 (R), 00-5999-4612263 (F)	00-5999-4614345	ram-boolchand@gmail.com
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Saint Kitts and Nevis	Honorary Consul	Honorary Consulate of India, Basseterre C/o Ram s Trading Ltd., PO Box No.78, Basseterre, St. Kitts (West Indies). [*Under High Commission of India, Georgetown (Guyana)]	00-869-4651077, 00-869-4652001	00-869-4651021	kishusheila@sisterisles.kn
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Prison Reforms: CHRI's work in prisons looks at increasing transparency of a traditionally closed system and exposing malpractices. Apart from highlighting failures of the legal system that result in overcrowding and unacceptably long pre-trial detention and prison overstay, we engage in interventions and advocacy for legal aid and policy changes to revive prison oversight systems. Attention to these areas can bring improvements to the administration of prisons and conditions of justice.

2. Access to Information

CHRI is acknowledged as a key organisation working on the promotion of Access to Information. It encourages countries to pass and implement effective Right to Information laws. It routinely assists in the development of legislation and has been particularly successful in promoting Right to Information laws and practices in India, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ghana, and more recently, Kenya. In Ghana, CHRI is the Secretariat for the RTI civil society coalition. We regularly critique new legislation and intervene to bring best practices into governments and civil society knowledge both at a time when laws are being drafted and when they are first being implemented. We have experience of working in hostile environments as well as culturally varied jurisdictions; these enable us to bring valuable insights into countries seeking to evolve new laws on right to information. In Ghana, for instance, it has been promoting knowledge about the value of Access to Information and to campaign for the introduction of an effective law.

South Asia Media Defender's Network (SAMDEN)

CHRI has developed a regional network of media professionals to address the issue of increasing attacks on media workers and pressure on freedom of speech and expression in South Asia, especially in rural areas. This network, the South Asia Media Defenders Network (SAMDEN) recognises that such freedoms are indivisible and know no political boundaries. Anchored by a core group of media professionals who have experienced discrimination and intimidation, SAMDEN is developing an interactive website platform to highlight pressures on media, issues of shrinking media space and press freedom. It is also working to mobilise media so that strength grows through collaboration and numbers. A key area of synergy lies in linking SAMDEN with the Right to Information movements and activists.

3. International Advocacy and Programming

CHRI monitors the compliance of Commonwealth member states with human rights obligations and advocates around human rights exigencies where such obligations are breached. CHRI strategically engages with regional and international bodies including the Commonwealth Secretariat, Ministerial Action Group, the UN and the African Commission for Human and People's Rights. Ongoing strategic initiatives include advocating for and monitoring the Commonwealth reform, reviewing promised by Commonwealth members at the UN Human Rights Council, and the Universal Periodic Review. We advocate for the protection of human rights defenders and civil society spaces and monitor the performance of National Human Rights Institutions in the Commonwealth while pressing for their strengthening.



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