

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF
TURKMENISTAN ON EXEMPTION OF VISA REQUIREMENT
FOR HOLDERS OF DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF TURKMENISTAN

Hereinafter referred to singularly as the "Contracting Party" and collectively
as the "Contracting Parties"

CONSIDERING the interest of both countries to strengthen their friendly
relations, and

DESIRING to facilitate the entry of the citizens of the Republic of India and
the citizens of Turkmenistan, who are holders of diplomatic passports into
their respective countries,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1

1. Citizens of either Contracting Party, who are in possession of
valid diplomatic passports may enter into, exit from and transit through the
territory of the other Contracting Party through their respective international
points of entry/exit without visas.
2. Citizens of either Contracting Party, holding the said passports
shall be allowed to stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party for the
maximum period of thirty (30) days without a visa.
3. In the event of citizens of one Contracting Party mentioned in
paragraph 1 of this Article, intending to stay on the territory of the other
Contracting Party for more than 30 days, the diplomatic mission or consular
office of that Contracting Party shall apply in writing for grant of visas to the
citizens of the other Contracting Party.

ARTICLE 2

1. Citizens of Turkmenistan, who are assigned as members of their diplomatic missions or consular posts in the territory of the Republic of India and are in possession of valid diplomatic passports, shall not be required to obtain visas to enter the territory of the Republic of India, and shall be granted, on request from the diplomatic mission/consular post concerned, within thirty (30) days of arrival of the diplomatic passport holders, residence visas for period of their official stay.

2. Citizens of Turkmenistan, being the representatives of their country in international organizations located in the territory of the Republic of India holding the said passports shall also enjoy the rights mentioned in paragraph-1 of this Article.

3. The facilities enumerated in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall also apply to the spouse of a member of the diplomatic Mission or Consulate or representative in international organizations, their children and dependent parents, provided they hold a similar category of passport.

ARTICLE 3

1. Citizens of the Republic of India, who are assigned as members of their diplomatic missions or consular posts in the territory of Turkmenistan and are in possession of valid diplomatic passports, may enter into, exit from, transit through and sojourn in the territory of Turkmenistan without visas for the period of their official stay provided that they have document of official accreditation issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan.

2. Citizens of the Republic of India, being the representatives of their country in international organizations located in the territory of Turkmenistan holding the said passports may enter into, exit from, transit through and sojourn in the territory of Turkmenistan without visas for the period of their official stay.

3. Provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article shall also apply to the spouses of members of the diplomatic missions or consulates or representatives in international organizations, their children and their dependent parents, provided they hold a similar category of passport.

4. The persons mentioned in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this Article shall have appropriate accreditation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan.

ARTICLE 4

Each Contracting Party reserves the right to refuse the entry into, or shorten the stay in its territory, of any citizen of the other Contracting Party, whom it may consider undesirable.

ARTICLE 5

Citizens of either Contracting Party, being holders of diplomatic passports shall abide by the laws and regulations of the other Contracting Party while crossing its frontier and throughout the duration of their stay in its territory.

ARTICLE 6

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, each Contracting Party shall transmit to the other, through diplomatic channels, specimens of its respective passports, including a detailed description of such documents currently used, at least thirty (30) days before the entry into force of this Agreement.

2 Each Contracting Party shall also transmit to the other through diplomatic channels, specimen of its new or modified passports, including a detailed description of such documents, at least thirty (30) days before they are brought into force.

ARTICLE 7

Each Contracting Party reserves the right for reasons of security, public order or public health, to suspend temporarily, either in whole or in part, the implementation of this Agreement.

The imposition of such suspensions, or the lifting thereof, shall be notified without delay to the other Contracting Party through diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE 8

Either Contracting Party may request in writing, a revision or amendment of this Agreement. Any revision or amendment, which has been agreed to by the Contracting Parties, shall form an integral part of this Agreement and enter into force in accordance with provision of Article 10 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9

Any difference or dispute arising out of the implementation of the provisions of the Agreement shall be settled amicably by consultation or negotiation between the Contracting Parties without reference to any third party or an international tribunal.


ARTICLE 10

This Agreement shall enter into force on a date to be mutually agreed upon by the Contracting Parties. This Agreement shall remain in force for an indefinite period until expiration of thirty (30) days after the date when one Contracting Party notifies the other Contracting Party in writing through diplomatic channels of its intention to terminate it.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE at New Delhi on this 25th day of May in the year two thousand ten in two (2) originals; in Hindi, Turkmen, Russian and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA



FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF
TURKMENISTAN

