

Voting rights for NRIs

- The Representation of People (Amendment) Act 2010 which seeks to amend the Representation of People Act, 1950 was enacted on 22nd September, 2010.
- Thereafter the Registration of Elector Rules, 1960 were amended by the Registration of Electors (Amendment) Rules, 2011 on 3rd February, 9th February and 23rd February, 2011 to give voting rights to overseas Indian electors.
- All applicants may send their self-attested documents to the concerned Electoral Registration Officers.
- The identification of overseas electors at the time of casting their votes at the polling stations shall be done on the basis of their original passports.
- The overseas electors have to fill a [Form 6A](#) for registering themselves for voting in India. [Form 6A](#) is available on the website of the [Election Commission of India](#) (eci.nic.in).
- Form 6A may be sent by post to the concerned Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) of the concerned constituency in which they are to be registered as voters, or deposited with EROs in person.
- The ERO will be the one which corresponds to the Indian address as mentioned in the passport of the overseas electors.
- The details and particulars of EROs are available on the website of the Election Commission of India (eci.nic.in).
- The documents required are the relevant pages of the passport containing name, date of birth, place of birth, father's name, place of residence in India, passport details and details of the visa.
- After enrolment, overseas electors will be able to cast their vote in elections in their constituency, if they are physically present in the polling station along with their original passport on the day of the poll.