

# Waiver of Passport Fees for flood affected Passport holders of Jammu & Kashmir

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1. The state of Jammu & Kashmir has been affected by severe floods since early September, 2014. These floods have resulted in unprecedented loss of life and property. In order to contribute to the relief efforts that are currently underway in Jammu & Kashmir, the Ministry of External Affairs has decided to take immediate steps to restore back the Passport facilities to the flood affected Passport holders whose Passports have been lost / damaged due to floods.
2. The External Affairs Minister has today approved waiver of Passport fees to the flood affected Passport holders in Jammu & Kashmir. This waiver of fee would be one time exception for the Passport holders whose earlier Passport has been issued either from Passport Office, Jammu or from Passport Office, Srinagar. This scheme would be valid for next six months (valid from the date of issue of Gazette notification in this regard). The replacement Passport would be issued with the same particulars and remaining validity of previous Passport.

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