



**High Commission of India
Lilongwe (Malawi)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

**BIRTH REGISTRATION OF THE CHILD BORN IN MALAWI WITHIN
ONE YEAR OF THE BIRTH**

Under the Indian Citizenship Act, a child born on or after 03.12.2004 shall be a citizen of India by descent if either of the parents (father or mother) is an Indian citizen at the time of birth of the child and the birth of the child has been registered with the concerned Indian Mission abroad **WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE BIRTH**. Indian passport to the child can be issued only after the birth of the child is registered with the Indian Mission. Children who are born in Malawi to Indian parents should be registered with the High Commission of India in Malawi within one year.

If the birth of the child born abroad is not registered with the concerned Indian Mission within one year of the birth of the child, prior approval of the competent authority will be required for registering the birth of the child. This process can take some time and unnecessarily delay in the registration of child's birth. Passports to the child cannot be issued until the birth registration process is completed.

All Indian passport holders who intend to register birth of their new born baby as Indian citizen are requested to register the birth of child within one year of the birth. Instructions & link to complete online registration of birth of a minor child under Section 4(1) of the Citizenship Act, 1955 are available on the High Commission Website www.hcililongwe.in .

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