

# FORM FC-8

[See rule 3A]

**Form of application for seeking registration with the Central Government under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), for the acceptance of foreign contribution by an association having a definite cultural, economic, educational, religious or social programme**

No.

Date

TO

The Secretary to the Government of India,  
Ministry of Home Affairs, Lok Nayak Bhavan,  
Khan Market,  
New Delhi- 110 001

Sub. : Application for registration under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, for the acceptance of foreign contribution

Sir,

I, \_\_\_\_\_ on behalf of the association named hereafter apply for registration of the association under clause (a) of sub-section (1) of section 6 of the Act for the acceptance of foreign contribution.

1. (i) Name of the association and its complete postal address:  
Name:  
Address:  
Town/city  
State :  
District  
Pin Code
- (ii) If the association is a registered trust or society please indicate its-
  - (a) registration number:
  - (b) place of registration
  - (c) date of registration :  
(certified copy of the registration certificate to be attached).
- (iii) Nature of association:  
(a) religious (b) cultural (c) economic (d) educational (c) social  
Note - If a religious association, then state whether (a) Hindu (b) Sikh (c) Muslim (d) Christian (e) Buddhist  
(f) others.
- (iv) Please indicate
  - (a) the main aim(s) and object(s) of the association (enclose cop) of the memorandum of association and/or the articles of association, if applicable);
  - (b) the main object(s) and definite programme(s) for which the foreign contribution is to be accepted/utilised.
  - (v) Please furnish the names and address of the members of the Executive Committee/Governing Council, etc. of the association, including the Chief

Functionary, in the following manner:

Sl. No.	Name	Name of Father/husband	Nationality	Occupation	Office held in the association, If any	Relation with other office-bearers, if any	Address
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)

2. Please indicate whether any member of the Executive Committee/Governing Council, etc. of the association, including the Chief Functionary has, in the discharge of his/her official functions
  - (a) been convicted by any court of law ;
  - (b) a prosecution for any offence pending against him/her;
  - (c) been found guilty of diversion or misutilisation of funds of the association or any other association in the past.
  
3. Please indicate whether the applicant association is a branch/unit/associate of foreign based organisation or another association already registered under the Act. If so, the name and address of the parent organisation.
  
4. Please indicate
  - (i) whether the association was,
    - (a) granted prior permission to receive foreign contribution under the Act in the past. If so, the number and date of the letter granting prior permission should be furnished;
    - (b) whether the account of the receipt and utilisation of the foreign contribution received above was sent to the Central Government in the prescribed form. If so, the date of submission of the accounts should be furnished.
  - (ii) whether -
    - (a) the association has received foreign contribution without the prior permission under Act in the past. If so, full particulars of the foreign contribution received along with complete address of the bank branch and bank account number in which deposited should be furnished;
    - (b) the said violation has been condoned by the Central Government;
    - (c) the association has been prohibited from accepting foreign contribution under the Act.
  
5. Please indicate whether the association is functioning as editor, owner, printer or publisher of a publication required to be registered as "newspaper" under the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867. if so, the details thereof
  
6. Please indicate
  - (1) whether the association ever applied for registration under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, if so.
    - (a) the date of submission of application for registration~
    - (b) the number and date of the last communication, if any, received from the Ministry~
    - (c) whether registration was refused;

- (d) whether application for registration is still pending.
- been (2) whether the association has close links with another association, or its unit or branch which has
- (a) refused registration under the Act ;
- (b) prohibited from accepting foreign contribution.
7. Please furnish
- (i) details of the activities of the association during the past three years.
- (ii) copies of the audited statement of accounts of the association for the past three years.
- (iii) details of the area(s) of operation.
8. Please indicate whether the association has been specified as an organisation of a political nature, not being a political party, under section 5 of the Act, If so, the details of the notification should be furnished.
9. Please indicate.
- (i) the name and address of the branch of the bank through which the foreign contribution shall be received;
- (ii) please specify the account number in the said branch of the bank.
- 9A. Whether a recommendation certificate from the competent authority is attached (Yes/No)
10. Any other information which the association may like to furnish.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Functionary for  
and on behalf of the  
association

(Name of the  
association)

#### **Declaration and undertaking**

The association named here in above affirms that the information furnished above is correct and undertakes:

- (i) to inform the Central Government (Ministry of Home Affairs) within thirty days, if any change takes place in regard to the name of the association, its address, its registration, its nature, its aims and objects with documentary evidence effecting the change;
- (n) to obtain prior permission for change of office bearer(s), if, at any point of time such change causes replacement of 50 per cent or more of the office bearers as were mentioned in the application for registration under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, and undertakes further not to accept any foreign contribution except with prior permission till the permission to replace the office bearer(s) has been granted:
- (iii) not to change the bank or branch of the bank without prior permission of the Central Government. The reasons for change of bank or branch of the bank shall have to be relevant and justifiable; and
- (iv) not to accept any foreign contribution unless it has obtained either the registration number, as applied for hereinabove, or prior permission of the Central Government under sub-section (1A) of section 6 of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976

(Chief  
Functionary)

for and on behalf of the  
association

(Name of the  
association)

**Notes:**

- (i) The receipt of application for registration is not a commitment for grant of registration by the Central Government;
- (ii) An incomplete application, i.e., without the required documents/details/explanations is likely to be rejected summarily; (in) In case the space provided against my column is insufficient separate sheets should be attached and (iv) Please use CAPITAL LETTERS.

**Certificate**

**(To be submitted along with the application)**

This is to certify that the \_\_\_\_\_ (name of the association) having its registered office at \_\_\_\_\_ (address) has been engaged in economic, educational, cultural, religious and social\* activities in the \_\_\_\_\_ (District) of \_\_\_\_\_ (State) for the last \_\_\_\_\_ years.

2. It has undertaken welfare activities in the area and has incurred expenditure (excluding administrative expenditure) amounting to \_\_\_\_\_ (amount in rupees) during the last three years on its chosen (economic, educational, cultural, religious and social) field of activity,

3. The antecedents of the organisation have been verified and there is nothing adverse against them.

4. The grant of registration to the aforesaid association to accept foreign contribution under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976, is recommended.

(Recommending  
authority)\*\*

(With Seal)

\*Strike out whichever is not applicable.

\*\*Any concerned--

- (1) Collector of District;
- (2) Department of the State Government;
- (3) Ministry/Department of the Government of India.