

Electronic Indian Postal Order

Electronic Indian Postal Order -Extending the facility of e-IPO for payment of RTI fee in Indian Missions/Posts by Indian citizens abroad

Government of India has launched a service called e-IPO Service (Electronic Indian Postal Order) w.e.f. 22.03.2013 to facilitate Indian citizens abroad across the globe to purchase an e-IPO by paying the fee online to access the information under the RTI Act, 2005 from the Central Public Authorities. In order to facilitate obtaining the information under the RTI Act, 2005 by Indian citizens living abroad from Indian Missions/Posts under Ministry of External Affairs, the facility of e-IPO has been recently further extended to 176 Indian Missions/Posts across the globe including Consulate General of India, Jeddah, with effect from 07.10.2013.

2. The procedure for availing eIPO service is as follows:

[a] The user needs to get himself/herself registered at either of the two websites:

<http://www.epostoffice.gov.in>

<http://www.indiapost.gov.in>

[b] The user has to select the Ministry/Department from whom he/she desires to seek the information under the RTI Act and the e-IPO so generated, by making payment using Debit or Credit card, can be used to seek information from that Ministry/Department only.

[c] A printout of the e-IPO is required to be attached with the RTI application. If the RTI application is being filed electronically; e-IPO is required to be attached as an attachment.

[d] This facility is only for purchasing an Indian Postal Order electronically. All the requirements for filing an RTI application as well as other provisions regarding eligibility, time limit, exemptions etc., as provided in the RTI Act, 2005 will continue to apply.

NOTE:- THE E-IPO FACILITY HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO INDIAN CITIZENS RESIDING IN INDIA WITH EFFECT FROM 13.02.2014.

Important Circulars issued by Department of Personnel & Training:

[1. OM No.1/44/2009-IR dated March 22, 2013](#)

[2. OM No.1/44/2009-IR dated October 07, 2013](#)

[3. OM No.1/44/2009-IR dated February 13, 2014](#)