

Consulate General of Pakistan
Los Angeles

Press Release

Guidelines for Visas to Employees of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)

The following latest requirements/conditions of the Government of Pakistan for processing visas of employees of Non-Governmental Organizations are being highlighted for the concerned applicants/organizations:

1. NGO Visas will be granted to the employees of only those NGOs, who are registered with the Ministry of Interior of Pakistan. A copy of registration letter issued by the Ministry of Interior may kindly be provided along with visa application.
2. There shall be an International Non-Governmental Organization (INGO)'s Committee, chaired by Secretary Interior, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad, who will be the sole authority for approving registration of INGOs.
3. Proof of Registration in the country of origin.
4. Business or visit visa cannot be issued to the employees of NGOs, nor any request for change of status of visa could be entertained.
5. For issuance of initial NGO visas, prior clearance from the concerned authorities in Pakistan will be required (which would entail additional processing time). Therefore, the NGOs are asked to apply for visas at least six months in advance. Hiring of Foreign nationals by the INGOs in their management and/or staff shall be subject to prior clearance of Ministry of Interior, Islamabad.
6. For processing for NGO visas, following information would be required:
 - a. Details of operations in Pakistan
 - b. Sources of funding
 - c. Account details as per internationally accepted accounting standards.
7. Maximum duration of an NGO visa would be one year.
8. Confirmation of Non-profit status of the NGO should be provided with the visa application.
9. Visa application form should be dully filled in and signed.

10. The following should be provided with the visa application:
- a. Original Passport having at least six months validity and a photocopy of the passport.
 - b. Two passport size current photographs with white background.
 - c. A letter from the current employer stating job description of the applicant.
 - d. For Non-USA passport holders, a copy of State ID/Green card/Immigration status.
 - e. A non-refundable visa processing fee of US \$ 324/- in the shape of Money Order, Bank Draft or Cashier's cheque in the name of Consulate General of Pakistan, Los Angeles.
 - f. Pre-paid return envelope having tracking number if sent by mail.
 - g. Bank statement of the applicant for last three months.
 - h. Complete contact details of the applicant (Residential, Business etc.).
11. Please visit the following link for detailed information regarding the INGOs:
<https://ingo.interior.org.pk>

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