

**FOR OBTAINING ITALIAN VISA RECOMMENDATION LETTER OF APOSTOLIC NUNCIO**  
**FOR ARCHBISHOPS, BISHOPS, DIOCESAN PRIESTS, DEACONS & SEMINARIANS**  
**OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

- (1) Submission of documents to the Italian Consulate in India\* :  New Delhi  Kolkata  Mumbai
- (2) Petitioner's Title\* :  Archbishop  Archbishop Emeritus  Bishop  Bishop Emeritus  
 (Tick (✓) appropriate box)  Monsignor  Priest  Deacon  Diocesan Seminarian

(3) **Full Name as in Passport\***

(a) First Name (IN BLOCK LETTERS ONLY)

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(b) Middle Name/s (IN BLOCK LETTERS ONLY)

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(c) Surname (IN BLOCK LETTERS ONLY)

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- (4) Date of Birth\* : -- (DD-MM-YYYY) (5) Nationality\* :  Indian  Nepalese

(6) (a) Passport Number\* :

(b) Date of Expiry of Passport\* : -- (DD-MM-YYYY)

- (7) Visa Type\* :  Type C (Short Duration) (upto 3 Months only)  OR  Type D (Long Duration)  
 (Tick (✓) appropriate box)

(8) (a) Name of the Diocese working in India \* :

(b) Rite of Diocese \* :  Latin  OR  Syro Malabar  OR  Syro Malankara

(b) Name of the State working in India \* :

- (9) Motive of the travel :  Religious Motive  OR  Religious Studies  OR  Pastoral Ministry  
 (Tick (✓) appropriate box)

(10) Dates of Travel : From : -- To -- (DD-MM-YYYY)

(11) 10 Digits Mobile Number :

(12) Personal Email ID of the applicant (IN BLOCK LETTER ONLY)

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**Undertaking** :- The above information given by me is correct as per my knowledge.

Name of Travel Agency :-

Full name of Travel Agent :-

City :-  Applicant's Signature :- \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile No. of Travel Agent :-  Date :- -- (DD-MM-YYYY)

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### Terms and conditions

- A • The Apostolic Nunciature in India and Nepal provides Recommendation Letter to Bishops, Priests, Religious men & women and lay people for religious purposes only.
- The Apostolic Nunciature does not give Italian visa recommendation letter for tourist purposes.
- B • All applications are to be submitted online.
- Fill in a simple online form, which includes your Passport details, Visa Type, duration of stay, contact details, payment details and relevant documents are to be uploaded.
  - For Visa Recommendation processing, applicants must request for Recommendation Letter at least 15 days prior to travel.
  - The original documents together with the proof of payment of INR 200/- for each letter should be submitted through the Agency or in Person at the time of collecting the Recommendation Letter.
  - Within 5 working days the Original Recommendation Letter will be handed over to the agent or sent by courier to the address of the applicant after all the formalities are completed.
- C • The documents required for the Religious Recommendation Letter from the Apostolic Nunciature are:
1. For Diocesan Bishops:
    - Invitation Letter attested by the Secretariat of State, Vatican City.
    - Letter Self attested by the applicant.
    - First and last page of the Passport (with the details of the Applicant).
  2. For Diocesan Priests:
    - Invitation Letter attested by the Secretariat of State, Vatican City.
    - Letter from the Local Ordinary (Bishop).
    - First and last page of the Passport (with the details of the Applicant).
    - Agreement Letter/Contract Letters (Convenzione) mandatory for Priests going for Pastoral Work
    - The dates of the staying in Italy have to be clearly mentioned in the Agreement Letter/Contract Letters and in the local Superior letter equally.
  3. For Religious Priests and Sisters:
    - Invitation Letter attested by the Secretariat of State, Vatican City.
    - Letter from the Local Ordinary (Bishop).
    - First and last page of the Passport (with the details of the Applicant)
    - Letter from the Provincial Superior.
    - Agreement Letter/Contract Letters (Convenzione) mandatory for Religious going for Pastoral Work
    - The dates of the staying in Italy have to be clearly mentioned in the Agreement Letter/Contract Letters and in the local Superior letter equally
  4. For Lay People:
    - Invitation Letter attested by the Secretariat of State, Vatican City.
    - Letter from the Local Ordinary (Bishop).
    - First and last page of the Passport (with the details of the Applicant)
    - The dates of the staying in Italy have to be clearly mentioned.

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