



भारत का उच्चायोग

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High Commission of India

Ottawa

NON-REQUIREMENT OF ATTESTATION OF APOSTILLED CANADIAN DOCUMENTS

The Government of India and Government of Canada are signatories to the Hague Convention on Abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents, 1961. As such the Convention applies to public documents executed in the territory of Canada and which have to be produced to authorities in India. The Convention abolished the requirement of legalisation of foreign documents for use in any member country, once an Apostille Certificate (including e-Apostille) has been issued by a competent authority of the member country where the document originates.

2. The following are deemed to be public documents as per the Hague Convention:

- a) documents emanating from an authority or an official connected with the courts or tribunals of the State, including those emanating from a public prosecutor, a clerk of a court or a process-server;
- b) administrative documents;
- c) notarial acts;
- d) official certificates which are placed on documents signed by persons in their private capacity, such as official certificates recording the registration of a document or the fact that it was in existence on a certain date and official and notarial authentications of signatures.

3. The following authorities are authorized to issue Apostilles for Canadian documents:

- i. Global Affairs Canada (Ministry of Foreign Affairs Canada)
- ii. Ministry of Justice, Government of Alberta
- iii. Ministry of Public and Business Service Delivery, Government of Ontario
- iv. Ministry of Justice and Attorney General, Government of Saskatchewan
- v. Ministry of Attorney General, British Columbia
- vi. Ministère de la Justice du Québec (Ministry of Justice), Quebec.

4. Any Canadian document(s) apostilled from the aforementioned authorities in Canada is not required to be further attested by the High Commission of India, Ottawa. Any apostilled document should, therefore, be treated as legalized document in India by all concerned, in accordance with international obligations under the Hague Apostille Convention.

