



**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(PSP Division)**

**Submission of GEP applications by Indian citizens at Missions/
Posts abroad through the GPSP System**

As you are aware, the US Global Entry Programme (GEP) membership expedites the screening and processing of low-risk international travelers entering the United States. Indian citizens have started filing their application for (GEP) membership since July 2017.

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2. As per the existing process, Indian citizens applying for GEP submit their application in the US Custom and Border Protection website <https://ttp.dhs.gov/>. After completion of the same, the applicants need to submit the requisite information along with the applicable fee in the Passport Seva Portal (PSP) at www.passportindia.gov.in for their background verification in India. They are required to mandatorily visit the respective Passport Seva Kendra (PSK) as per their address in India furnished during online filing of GEP application. This is required to complete the application submission process.

3. It has been noticed that a large number of Indian citizens applying for GEP are residing outside India majority of them in US. They need to travel to India to complete their GEP application process as per the current practice mentioned above. Such applicants are continuously requesting for application submission facility to be provided through the GPSP portal in the nearest Mission/Post abroad.

4. This is to inform you that the Ministry has now provided the facility of submitting the GEP application through the GPSP system in those Missions/Posts abroad which have been integrated into the PSP. **The Ministry has completed the requisite changes in the GPSP system to enable acceptance of application for GEP from Indian citizens with effect from 1 October, 2019.**

5. The already integrated Missions/Posts may now start processing of their GEP applications as the facility to accept and process GEP applications through GPSP application has been enabled for them. Application fee of US\$ 25/- has to be paid by the applicant for this service. The process of applying GEP through GPSP portal for Indian citizens staying abroad would be similar to that of applying for Passport services. The filled up GEP application form through GPSP portal may either be submitted at the respective Outsource Service Provider (OSP) engaged by the Mission/Post or applicants can directly submit the GEP form at the Mission/Post or by post along with required documents and requisite GEP background verification fee of US\$ 25/- by Government of India.

6. The OSP should charge their processing fee equal to the fee being currently charged for processing of the Passport application.

The data for GEP application fee and other details processed at OSP level would come to the GPSP system through Web Service already integrated between OSP and GPSP application.

7. All concerned Missions/Posts should inform the OSP regarding acceptance of GEP application through the GPSP system from 1 October, 2019 and also convey to them about the GEP application fee of US\$ 25/- to be charged from GEP applicants. The concerned Missions/ Posts abroad should issue a Press Release announcing this people-friendly initiative of the Government and make the requisite changes in the websites of the Missions/ Posts and the OSP accordingly well before 1st October 2019.

8. In case of any query, you may please contact Shri Golok Kumar Simli, Chief Technology Officer at Phone: 011-2338-6037 and by e-mail at princontech@mea.gov.in

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