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Subject : Issue of Residential Permits to Japanese nationals holding Employment (E) Visa and their dependents holding 'X' (Entry) visa co-terminus with the validity of Visa

Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division) has issued instructions to all State Governments, UT Administrations, Bureau of Immigration and Foreigners Regional Registration Offices (FRROs) vide letter no. 25021/14/2012-F.I dated 11.7.2014 conveying the following decisions of the Government with regard to Japanese nationals holding Employment (E) Visa and their dependents holding 'X'(Entry) Visa:-

- (1) Japanese nationals holding Employment (E) Visa and their dependents holding 'X'(Entry) Visa may be granted Residential Permit co-terminus with the validity of the Employment/ 'X' Visa as the case may be. However, if at any time such a Japanese national proposes to be absent from his/ her registered address for a continuous period of eight weeks or more, or is changing the registered address, or is finally departing from India, he/she shall, before leaving, inform in person, or through an authorized representative, or by registered post to the jurisdictional Registration Officer of his/ her intention to leave, either temporarily or permanently. In case he/she is moving to another address in India, the new address should also be intimated to the Registration Officer.

- (2) Japanese nationals who are required to register with the Foreigners Regional Registration Officer (FRRO) / Foreigners Registration Officer (FRO) concerned need not be present in person in the FRRO/ FRO for initial registration or for subsequent extension of visa/ Residential Permit and this may be done through an authorized representative. In such cases, the authorized representative should be an official of the company/ organization duly authorized by the company/ organization with a proper Identity Card.
