E-Sanad: E-Sanad is a project aimed at online submission/verification of documents with an ultimate object to extend contact less, cashless, faceless and paperless document attestation service for apostille and normal attestation to applicants in India (to be extended to Indians residing abroad as well in a phased manner). It is designed and developed by NIC. Any type of document viz personal, educational or commercial can be authenticated/apostilled using e-Sanad. The document should be available in the digital repository for getting attestation/apostille through e-Sanad. The e-Sanad service will start with CBSE depository (documents of years 2014 & onwards) and verification of these CBSE documents would be done online. The link for e-Sanad portal is: http://esanad.nic.in. Physical copy of CBSE documents of years 2014 and onwards would not be accepted for attestation / apostille after 5 June 2017.

As regards its implementation/integration with States/UTs, the matter is being taken up with Telengana State as a pilot project and others will be included in a phased manner. Initially only those Document Issuing Authorities(DIAs), that have digital depository of their documents(such as CBSE), are taken on board. This service would be extended to other DIAs as and when they are capable to providing digital depository of documents issued by them. After verification of documents by the DIAs, the digital copy of the documents will be attested/apostilled by the Ministry of External Affairs and this copy will then be despatched to respective applicants by speed post. The documents, for which, digital depository is not available, would continue to be attested/apostilled in the same manner as before, the procedure for which is explained at: http://mea.gov.in/apostille.htm.
FAQs E-SANAD

1. What is e-Sanad?

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2. Which are the documents authenticated/apostilled?

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3. How many offices are presently extending this service?

E-Sanad is currently operational in five passport offices and in Attestation Section, CPV Division, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. With further decentralization of attestation related work to other locations, it is going to be extended to entire country very soon.

4. Are we integrating this project with States/UTs also?

To begin with, the e-Sanad, will start with CBSE depository (for years 2014 & onwards) and verification of the CBSE documents would be done online. As regards its implementation/integration with States/UTs, the matter is being taken up with Telengana State, as a pilot project and others will be included in a phased manner.

5. How is the project being implemented?

The project is being implemented by NIC in coordination with CBSE, States/UTs and the Ministry of External Affairs in a phased manner. Initially only those Document Issuing Authorities(DIAs), that have digital depository of their documents(such as CBSE), are taken on board. This service would be extended to other DIAs in phased manner as and when they are capable to providing digital depository of documents issued by them.