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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

No. M-13/1419/2024/10845.

Puducherry, dated 30th December 2025.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 6(1) of the Anand Marriage Act, 1909 (Act No. 7 of 1909), read with the Notification in S.O. No. 1467(E), dated 19th April, 2016 of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, hereby makes the following rules to provide for the registration of Anand Marriages, namely:—

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1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Puducherry Anand Marriage Registration Rules, 2025.

(2) These rules shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. *Definitions.*—In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "Act" means the Anand Marriage Act, 1909 and its subsequent amendments;

(b) "Anand Marriage" means the Anand Marriage commonly known as Anand Karaj solemnized under the Act;

(c) "District Registrar" means the District Registrar of a District authorized under rule 3(a);

(d) "Form" means the form appended to these rules;

(e) "Register" means a register of Anand Marriages maintained by the Registrar of Marriages;

(f) "Registrar" means the Registrar of Marriages authorised under rule 3(b).

3. *Authorisation for registration of Marriages.*— For the purpose of registration of Anand Marriages commonly known as Anand Karaj solemnized within the Union territory of Puducherry, the Lieutenant-Governor may, by Notification in the Official Gazette, authorize an Officer to be—

(a) a District Registrar for the District as specified in that Notification;

(b) a Registrar of Marriages for the areas as specified in that Notification.

4. *Jurisdiction.*— The Anand Marriage shall be registered with the Registrar within whose jurisdiction such marriage is solemnized.

5. *Maintenance of Register of Marriage.*— The Registrar shall maintain the Register of Anand Marriage in Form-I.

6. *Procedure for registration.*— (1) The parties to the Anand Marriage shall prepare a Memorandum in duplicate in Form-II and submit the same to the Registrar along with documents to prove the solemnization of the marriage to the satisfaction of the Registrar and registration fee of rupees fifty within a period of thirty days from the date of solemnization of their marriage:

Provided that for registration of marriages solemnized before the commencement of these rules, such Memorandum shall be submitted within a period of one year from the date of commencement of these rules.

(2) The Memorandum shall be signed by both the parties to the marriage and at least two other persons who have witnessed the marriage.

(3) The parties to the marriage who have not registered their marriage within the period specified under sub-rule (1) shall get their marriage registered by submitting the Memorandum to the Registrar in Form-II and a Declaration in Form-III along with documents to prove the solemnization of the marriage to the satisfaction of the Registrar and registration fee of rupees two hundred:

Provided that such Declaration shall be attested by a Gazetted Officer or the Member of Parliament or the Member of the Legislative Assembly or the Member of a Local Self Government Institutions or Notary.

7. *Verification and registration of marriages.*— (1) Where on verification and scrutiny of the Memorandum and document received under sub-rule (1) or sub-rule (3) of rule 6, the Registrar is satisfied that the marriage has been solemnized, he may enter the particulars of the marriage in the register and issue a Certificate of Anand Marriage in Form-IV.

(2) Where the Registrar has reasons to believe that—

(a) the marriage between the parties has not been performed in accordance with Anand Marriage ceremony; or

(b) the identity of the parties or the witnesses testifying the solemnization of the marriage is not established; or

(c) the documents tendered before him do not prove the marital status of parties,

he may, call upon the parties to produce such further information or documents as he may deem necessary, for establishing the identity of the parties and the witnesses or correctness of the information or documents presented to him/her within a period of thirty days from date of receipt of the Memorandum.

8. *Refusal of registration of Anand Marriage.*— The Registrar may, for the reasons to be recorded in writing refuse the registration of marriage, if, the parties to the marriage fails to comply with the directions issued by him/her under sub-rule (2) of the rule 7.

9. *Correction of the entries in the Register.*— (1) The Registrar may, on an application made by any party to the marriage, if satisfied that there is typographical or clerical mistakes in the entries made in the Register or on the Certificate of Registration in relation to the name, age or date of marriage, make suitable corrections with the previous sanction of the District Registrar and affix his/her signature to each such correction;

10. *Appeal.*— (1) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Registrar may file an appeal to the District Registrar within a period of three months from the date of communication of such decision:

Provided that the delay, if any, in filing such appeal may be condoned for the reasons to be recorded in writing by the District Registrar, if, the Appellant satisfies the District Registrar that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the specified period.

(2) The District Registrar shall, after giving an opportunity of hearing to the parties concerned, dispose of the appeal within a period of fifteen days.

11. *Filing of Memorandum.*— (1) The Registrar shall forward the duplicate copies of the Memorandum received in a month to the District Registrar before the 10th day of every subsequent month.

(2) The originals of the Memorandum received by the Registrar and duplicate copies forwarded to the District Registrar shall be retained.

(3) The Registrar shall also forward the particulars of the correction made under rule 9 with the date of correction and copy thereof to the District Registrar.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

**KRISHNA MOHAN UPPU, I.A.S.**  
Secretary to Government (Revenue)-*cum*-  
Inspector-General of Registration.

FORM – I  
(See Rule 5)

**REGISTER OF ANAND MARRIAGES**

1. Date of Marriage :
2. Place of Marriage :  
(Specify hall, auditorium, etc.)
- Local area :
- Village :
- Taluk :
- District :

*Signature of the Husband*

*Signature of the wife*

Photo of the Husband to be affixed	Photo of the Wife to be affixed
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3. Details of Parties to the Marriage (As on the date of marriage)–

Details	Husband	Wife
(1)	(2)	(3)

(a) Name in full :  
(in CAPITAL LETTERS)

(b) Nationality :

	(1)	(2)	(3)
(c) Age and date of birth : (sufficient proof shall be produced).			
(d) Permanent address :			
(e) Present address :			
*(f) Previous marital status Married/ Unmarried/Widower/Widow/ Divorced.			
(g) Whether any spouse is living : (if yes, number of spouse living).			
(h) Name of father or guardian : and the relationship.			
(i) Age :			
(ii) Address :			
(i) Name of Mother :			
(i) Age :			
(ii) Address :			

\* Put (✓) mark on whichever is applicable

4. Witness for solemnization of :  
marriage.

1. (a) Name :
- (b) Address :
- (c) Signature :
2. (a) Name :
- (b) Address :
- (c) Signature :

## SPACE FOR OFFICE USE

5. Date of Receipt of the Memorandum .....

6. Details of Document/records/ :  
proof of marriage required  
under rule 6.Date : *Registrar*

Registration No. .... / (Year) .....

Certificate No. ....

Date : *Registrar*

## FORM – II

[See Rule 6(1)]

**MEMORANDUM FOR REGISTRATION OF ANAND MARRIAGE**

1. Date of Marriage :

2. Place of Marriage :  
(Specify hall, auditorium, etc.)

Local area :

Village :

Taluk :

District :

3. Details of Parties to the Marriage (As on the date of marriage)–

Details	Husband	Wife
(1)	(2)	(3)

(a) Name in full :  
(in CAPITAL LETTERS)

(b) Nationality :

	(1)	(2)	(3)
(c) Age and date of birth : (sufficient proof shall be produced).			
(d) Permanent address :			
(e) Present address :			
* (f) Previous marital status Married/ Unmarried/Widower/Widow/ Divorced.			
(g) Whether any spouse is living : (if yes, number of spouse living).			
Signature with date :			
(h) Name of father :			
(i) Age :			
(ii) Address :			
Signature with date : (if he is a consenting party)			
(i) Name of Mother :			
(i) Age :			
(ii) Address :			
Signature with date : (if she is a consenting party)			

\* Put (✓) mark on whichever is applicable

4. Witness for solemnization of :  
marriage.

1. (a) Name :

(b) Address :

(c) Signature with date :



## FORM – III

[See Rule 6(3)]

## DECLARATION

We, ..... (Name of the husband and wife)  
do hereby declare that our marriage was solemnized on .....  
(Date of Marriage) at ..... (Place of Marriage). The  
Memorandum for registration of marriage could not be submitted within  
the period specified under rule 6 due to ..... (specify  
reason). We hereby submit the Memorandum (Form-II) along with  
documents to prove the solemnization of the marriage for the purpose  
of registration of our marriage.

Place :

Date :

*Signature of husband**Signature of wife*

DECLARATION TO BE ATTESTED BY A GAZETTED OFFICER /  
THE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT / THE MEMBER OF  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY / THE MEMBER OF LOCAL SELF  
GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS / NOTARY

I, ..... hereby certify that the marriage  
between ..... and .....  
was solemnized on ..... and the fact is personally  
known to me.

*Signature with place, date and seal.*

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FORM – IV  
(See Rule 7)

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY  
**REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE  
(Issued under rule 7 of the  
Puducherry Anand Marriage Registration Rules, 2025)

Certificate No. :

Dated :

This is to certify that the following information has been taken from the Register of Anand Marriages maintained in Form-I in the Office of the Registrar of ..... (local area).

1. Date of Marriage :

2. Place of Marriage :  
(as in Form-I)

3. Details of parties to the Marriage–

Details	Husband	Wife
(1)	(2)	(3)

(a) Name in full :  
(in CAPITAL LETTERS)

(b) Nationality :

(c) Age and date of birth :

(d) Occupation

(e) Permanent address :

	(1)	(2)	(3)
(f) Name of parents or guardian : and the relationship.			
(i) Father :			
(ii) Mother :			
(iii) Guardian :			
Photographs : (Office seal covering photographs)			

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Name and Address of Witness (1) :

Name and Address of Witness (2) :

Registration No. with year :

Date of Registration :

*Registrar*  
(Name of Local Area)

Issued under my hand and seal on this the ..... day  
of .....

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