



RESERVE BANK OF INDIA
Foreign Exchange Department
Central Office
Mumbai - 400 001

RBI/2012-13/129
A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 5

July 12, 2012

To

All Authorised Dealers in Foreign Exchange

Madam/ Sirs,

**Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 –
Submission of Revised A-2 Form**

Attention of Authorised Dealers (ADs) is invited to [A.P. \(DIR Series\) Circular No.77 dated March 13, 2004](#), in terms of which guidelines for compilation of various R>Returns were issued to the Authorised Dealers. The purpose codes for foreign exchange purchase/ sale transactions, used for filling up of the cover page of R-Return have since been revised, vide [A.P.\(DIR Series\) Circular No. 84 dated February 29, 2012](#). It has therefore become necessary to revise the list of purpose codes appended to Form A-2 also. The revised list of purpose codes along with Form A-2 are thus annexed for use by the applicants for remittance of funds abroad.

2. The directions contained in this circular have been issued under Section 10(4) and Section 11(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (42 of 1999).

Yours faithfully,

(Rashmi Fauzdar)
Chief General Manager

FORM A2

(For payments other than imports and remittances covering intermediary trade)

Application for Remittance Abroad

AD Code No. _____

Form No. _____
(To be filled in by the Authorised Dealer)

Serial No. _____
(For use of Reserve Bank of India)

Currency _____ Amount _____

Equivalent to Rs. _____
(To be completed by Authorised Dealer)

I/We

_____ (Name of applicant remitter)

authorize

(Name of AD branch)

Savings Bank/ Current/ RFC/ EEFC A/c. No. _____ together with their charges and

* a) Issue a draft : Beneficiary's Name _____
Address _____

* b) Effect the foreign exchange remittance directly –
1) Beneficiary's Name _____
2) Name and address of the bank _____
3) Account No. _____

* c) Issue travelers cheques for _____

* d) Issue foreign currency notes for _____

* (Strike out whichever is not applicable)
for the purpose indicated below

(Remitter should put a tick (√) against an appropriate purpose code. In case of doubt/ difficulty, the AD bank should be consulted).

Date : _____

Signature
Name :

Sr. No.	Purpose Group Name	Purpose Code	Description
As per the Annex -I			

**Declaration
(Under FEMA 1999)**

I, _____ declare that –

* (1) The total amount of foreign exchange purchased from or remitted through, all sources in India during this calendar year including this application is within USD _____ (USD _____

_____ only) the annual limit prescribed by Reserve Bank of India for the said purpose.

* (2) Foreign exchange purchased from you is for the purpose indicated above.

* (Strike out whichever is not applicable)

Signature

Name _____

Date :

Annex I: Purpose Codes for Reporting under FETERS

A. Payment Purposes_(for use in BOP file)

Gr. No.	Purpose Group Name	Purpose Code	Description	
0	Capital Account	S0017	Acquisition of non-produced non-financial assets (Purchase of intangible assets like patents, copyrights, trademarks etc., land acquired by government, use of natural resources) – Government	
		S0019	Acquisition of non-produced non-financial assets (Purchase of intangible assets like patents, copyrights, trademarks etc., use of natural resources) – Non-Government	
		S0026	Capital transfers (Guarantees payments, Investment Grand given by the government/international organisation, exceptionally large Non-life insurance claims) – Government	
		S0027	Capital transfers (Guarantees payments, Investment Grand given by the Non-government, exceptionally large Non-life insurance claims) – Non-Government	
		S0099	Other capital payments not included elsewhere	
	Financial Account			
	Foreign Direct Investments	S0003	Indian Direct investment abroad (in branches & wholly owned subsidiaries) in equity Shares	
		S0004	Indian Direct investment abroad (in subsidiaries and associates)-in debt instruments	
		S0005	Indian investment abroad – in real estate	
		S0006	Repatriation of Foreign Direct Investment made by overseas Investors in India – in equity shares	
		S0007	Repatriation of Foreign Direct Investment in made by overseas Investors India – in debt instruments	
		S0008	Repatriation of Foreign Direct Investment made by overseas Investors in India – in real estate	
	Foreign Portfolio Investments	S0001	Indian Portfolio investment abroad – in equity shares	
		S0002	Indian Portfolio investment abroad – in debt instruments	
		S0009	Repatriation of Foreign Portfolio Investment made by overseas Investors in India – in equity shares	
		S0010	Repatriation of Foreign Portfolio Investment made by overseas Investors in India – in debt instruments	
	External Commercial Borrowings	S0011	Loans extended to Non-Residents	
		S0012	Repayment of long & medium term loans with original maturity above one year received from Non-Residents	
	Short term Loans	S0013	Repayment of short term loans with original maturity up to one year received from Non-Residents	
	Banking Capital	S0014	Repatriation of Non-Resident Deposits (FCNR(B)/NR(E)RA etc)	

		S0015	Repayment of loans & overdrafts taken by ADs on their own account.
		S0016	Sale of a foreign currency against another foreign currency
	Financial Derivatives and Others	S0020	Payments made on account of margin payments, premium payment and settlement amount etc. under Financial derivative transactions.
		S0021	Payments made on account of sale of share under Employee stock option
		S0022	Investment in Indian Depositories Receipts (IDRs)
		S0023	Remittances made under Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) for Individuals
	External Assistance	S0024	External Assistance extended by India. e.g. Loans and advances extended by India to Foreign governments under various agreements
		S0025	Repayments made on account of External Assistance received by India.
1	Transport	S0201	Payments for surplus freight/passenger fare by foreign shipping companies operating in India
		S0202	Payment for operating expenses of Indian shipping companies operating abroad
		S0203	Freight on imports – Shipping companies
		S0204	Freight on exports – Shipping companies
		S0205	Operational leasing/Rental of Vessels (with crew) – Shipping companies
		S0206	Booking of passages abroad – Shipping companies
		S0207	Payments for surplus freight/passenger fare by foreign Airlines companies operating in India
		S0208	Operating expenses of Indian Airlines companies operating abroad
		S0209	Freight on imports – Airlines companies
		S0210	Freight on exports – Airlines companies
		S0211	Operational leasing / Rental of Vessels (with crew) – Airline companies
		S0212	Booking of passages abroad – Airlines companies
		S0214	Payments on account of stevedoring, demurrage, port handling charges etc.(Shipping companies)
		S0215	Payments on account of stevedoring, demurrage, port handling charges, etc.(Airlines companies)
		S0216	Payments for Passenger - Shipping companies
		S0217	Other payments by Shipping companies
		S0218	Payments for Passenger - Airlines companies
		S0219	Other Payments by Airlines companies
		S0220	Payments on account of freight under other modes of transport (Internal Waterways, Roadways, Railways, Pipeline transports and others)
		S0221	Payments on account of passenger fare under other modes of transport (Internal Waterways, Roadways, Railways, Pipeline transports and others)

		S0222	Postal & Courier services by Air
		S0223	Postal & Courier services by Sea
		S0224	Postal & Courier services by others
2	Travel	S0301	Business travel.
		S0303	Travel for pilgrimage
		S0304	Travel for medical treatment
		S0305	Travel for education (including fees, hostel expenses etc.)
		S0306	Other travel (including holiday trips and payments for settling international credit cards transactions)
3	Construction Services	S0501	Construction of projects abroad by Indian companies including import of goods at project site abroad
		S0502	Cost of construction etc. of projects executed by foreign companies in India.
4	Insurance and Pension Services	S0601	Life Insurance premium except term insurance
		S0602	Freight insurance – relating to import & export of goods
		S0603	Other general insurance premium including reinsurance premium; and term life insurance premium
		S0605	Auxiliary services including commission on insurance
		S0607	Insurance claim Settlement of non-life insurance; and life insurance (only term insurance)
		S0608	Life Insurance Claim Settlements
		S0609	Standardised guarantee services
		S0610	Premium for pension funds
		S0611	Periodic pension entitlements e.g. monthly quarterly or yearly payments of pension amounts by Indian Pension Fund Companies.
		S0612	Invoking of standardised guarantees
5	Financial Services	S0701	Financial intermediation, except investment banking - Bank charges, collection charges, LC charges etc.
		S0702	Investment banking – brokerage, under writing commission etc.
		S0703	Auxiliary services – charges on operation & regulatory fees, custodial services, depository services etc.
6	Telecommunication, Computer & Information Services	S0801	Hardware consultancy/implementation
		S0802	Software consultancy / implementation
		S0803	Data base, data processing charges
		S0804	Repair and maintenance of computer and software
		S0805	News agency services
		S0806	Other information services- Subscription to newspapers, periodicals
		S0807	Off-site software imports
		S0808	Telecommunication services including electronic mail services and voice mail services
		S0809	Satellite services including space shuttle and rockets etc.
7	Charges for the use of intellectual	S0901	Franchises services
		S0902	Payment for use, through licensing arrangements, of produced originals or prototypes (such as

	property n.i.e		manuscripts and films), patents, copyrights, trademarks and industrial processes etc.
8	Other Business Services	S1002	Trade related services – commission on exports / imports
		S1003	Operational leasing services (other than financial leasing) without operating crew, including charter hire- Airlines companies
		S1004	Legal services
		S1005	Accounting, auditing, book-keeping services
		S1006	Business and management consultancy and public relations services
		S1007	Advertising, trade fair service
		S1008	Research & Development services
		S1009	Architectural services
		S1010	Agricultural services like protection against insects & disease, increasing of harvest yields, forestry services.
		S1011	Payments for maintenance of offices abroad
		S1013	Environmental Services
		S1014	Engineering Services
		S1015	Tax consulting services
		S1016	Market research and public opinion polling service
		S1017	Publishing and printing services
		S1018	Mining services like on–site processing services analysis of ores etc.
		S1020	Commission agent services
		S1021	Wholesale and retailing trade services.
		S1022	Operational leasing services (other than financial leasing) without operating crew, including charter hire- Shipping companies
		S1023	Other Technical Services including scientific/space services.
S1099	Other services not included elsewhere		
9	Personal, Cultural & Recreational services	S1101	Audio-visual and related services like Motion picture and video tape production, distribution and projection services.
		S1103	Radio and television production, distribution and transmission services
		S1104	Entertainment services
		S1105	Museums, library and archival services
		S1106	Recreation and sporting activities services
		S1107	Education (e.g. fees for correspondence courses abroad)
		S1108	Health Service (payment towards services received from hospitals, doctors, nurses, paramedical and similar services etc. rendered remotely or on-site)
		S1109	Other Personal, Cultural & Recreational services
10	Govt. not included elsewhere (G.n.i.e.)	S1201	Maintenance of Indian embassies abroad
		S1202	Remittances by foreign embassies in India
11	Secondary Income	S1301	Remittance for family maintenance and savings
		S1302	Remittance towards personal gifts and donations

		S1303	Remittance towards donations to religious and charitable institutions abroad
		S1304	Remittance towards grants and donations to other governments and charitable institutions established by the governments.
		S1305	Contributions/donations by the Government to international institutions
		S1306	Remittance towards payment / refund of taxes.
		S1307	Outflows on account of migrant transfers including personal effects
12	Primary Income	S1401	Compensation of employees
		S1402	Remittance towards interest on Non-Resident deposits (FCNR(B)/NR(E)RA, etc.)
		S1403	Remittance towards interest on loans from Non-Residents (ST/MT/LT loans) e.g. External Commercial Borrowings, Trade Credits, etc.
		S1405	Remittance towards interest payment by ADs on their own account (to VOSTRO a/c holders or the OD on NOSTRO a/c.)
		S1408	Remittance of profit by FDI enterprises in India (by branches of foreign companies including bank branches)
		S1409	Remittance of dividends by FDI enterprises in India (other than branches) on equity and investment fund shares
		S1410	Payment of interest by FDI enterprises in India to their Parent company abroad.
		S1411	Remittance of interest income on account of Portfolio Investment in India
		S1412	Remittance of dividends on account of Portfolio Investment in India on equity and investment fund shares
13	Others	S1501	Refunds / rebates / reduction in invoice value on account of exports
		S1502	Reversal of wrong entries, refunds of amount remitted for non-exports
		S1503	Payments by residents for international bidding
		S1504	Notional sales when export bills negotiated/ purchased/ discounted are dishonored/ crystallised/ cancelled and reversed from suspense account
		S1505	Deemed Imports (exports between SEZ, EPZs and Domestic tariff areas)
14	Maintenance and repair services n.i.e	S1601	Payments on account of maintenance and repair services rendered for Vessels, ships, boats, warships, etc.
		S1602	Payments on account of maintenance and repair services rendered for aircrafts, space shuttles, rockets, military aircrafts, helicopters, etc.
15	Manufacturing services (goods for processing)	S1701	Payments for processing of goods