

# **OVERSEAS TRAVEL POLICY**

## **AND CHECKLIST**

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#### 1. Introduction

CINI Australia is a not-for-profit organisation registered as a charity in Australia. The objective of CINI Australia is to relieve suffering and poverty and to advance the health, nutrition, education and protection of women, adolescents and children in need in India and to do this without favouritism or discrimination on the basis of race, religion, culture or political persuasion.

#### 2. Purpose

This Overseas Travel Policy and Checklist is to ensure that people travelling to India to visit projects of CINI Australia do so in a safe, ethical, productive and legal manner. This document must be read in conjunction with the CINI Australia Code of Conduct for Overseas Travel.

## 3. Objectives

The objectives of this policy are to enable high standards of behaviour and practice when visiting CINI Australia projects in India.

## 4. Compliance with CINI Australia policies and codes of conduct

Anyone travelling to India to visit a project of CINI Australia is required to undertake to comply with the following documents and policies:

- (a) CINI Australia Code of Conduct
- (b) Overseas Travel Code of Conduct and
- (c) CINI Australia Child Protection Policy.

### 5. Compliance with the law in India

All visitors to projects of CINI Australia must respect and obey the laws of India, noting there may be major differences between the requirements of local laws and the laws applying in Australia. Visitors are responsible for ensuring they have obtained all necessary travel documents, including a valid passport and an appropriate visa.

### 6. Observing rather than volunteering

Child in Need India and CINI Australia encourage members, donors and supporters to visit our projects in India to observe the CINI method and outcomes. However, volunteering or employment opportunities are not provided or encouraged for visitors from overseas, because services are provided by local CINI employees and local volunteers. The CINI method does not rely on, or encourage, services, suppliers or volunteers from overseas. This is an important component of the highly successful CINI method, which is focused on developing and enhancing local skills and capacity. Communities are empowered to improve local health, nutrition, education and protection services, which leads to long-term sustainability. Funding and sponsorships from overseas are sought in the areas of greatest need, and where highly effective outcomes are achieved and sustained through the CINI method.

### 7. Self-funding of costs and expenses

Visitors to projects of CINI Australia in India are responsible for paying all their own costs – including for travel, accommodation, food, medical costs, insurance and any other costs and expenses.

#### 8. Medical advice and clearance

All visitors to projects of CINI Australia must ensure that, prior to travel, they have received all necessary medical assessments, clearance to travel, advice, medications and vaccinations.

#### 9. Travel Insurance

All visitors to projects of CINI Australia must arrange and pay for their own travel insurance.

#### **10.** CINI Australia Overseas Travel Checklist

Prior to travelling overseas to visit a CINI Australia project, visitors must comply with the following checklist by confirming that they have read, understood and will comply with each item:

Number	Item	Initials
1.	CINI Australia Code of Conduct.	
2.	CINI Australia Overseas Travel Code of Conduct.	
3.	CINI Australia Overseas Travel Policy.	
4.	CINI Australia Child Protection Policy.	
5.	Acknowledgement of self-funding of all costs and expenses	
6.	Travel documents, including a valid passport and appropriate visa.	
7.	Medical assessment, advice, medications and vaccinations.	
8.	Self-funded Travel insurance.	

I confirm that I have obtained, read, understood and will comply with each item listed above.

Name	Signature	Date
Witness	Signature	Date