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## Foreign Currency Non Resident (Bank) Account







Arvind (Non-resident Indian)

Hi Mr. FEMA Gyani I'm Arvind (NRI) I want to keep my earnings (forging currency) in India. I've heard about FCNR accounts, but honestly, they sound a bit confusing. Could you explain them in a way I can understand?



Of course, Arvind. Think of FCNR as a special bank account, like a locked suitcase, but instead of rupees, it holds your foreign currency earnings securely.







Arvind (Non-resident Indian) Interesting! So, I can park my dollars or euros in this suitcase-account?

Precisely, Yes You deposit your foreign currency, choose a lock time (term of deposit), and watch your money grow with attractive interest rates.

That's great! But what about the lock time? Can I open it anytime I want?

Well, like any good suitcase, FCNR comes with a commitment. You can choose a term, that term should be not less than 1 year and not exceeding 5 years



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Arvind (Non-resident Indian) okay. Makes sense. Now, what about the goodies inside the suitcase? Can I take them out easily?

Absolutely! The best part about FCNR is that it is fully repatriable. You can withdraw your principal and the interest earned, in your chosen foreign currency, anytime you want, without any restrictions

Wow, that's definitely appealing! What about taxes? Do I have to pay anything on the interest earned?

Another perk, Arvind! The interest you earn on your FCNR deposit is completely tax-free in India. Consider it as a bonus for choosing this secure option.





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Arvind (Non-resident Indian)



Can I use this "suitcase" for anything else?

Certainly! Some banks offer Loan facilities against your FCNR deposit, that can come in handy for unexpected expenses.

This FCNR account sounds like a pretty amazing deal! Is there anything else I should know before I pack my foreign currency into it? The FEMA Gyani

Remember, Arvind, FCNR is primarily a fixed deposit scheme. So, it's not ideal for frequent transactions. And make sure you choose a bank with competitive interest rates and clear terms and conditions.





Thank you so much, Ms. FEMA Gyani! You've made everything about FCNR crystal clear.



Happy to help, Arvind!



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