PRESS RELEASE

Extension of Validity of PIO Cards up to 30th September, 2020

Bureau of Immigration, India, has extended the time and will accept PIO cards as valid travel document till 30th September, 2020 along with valid foreign passport. Indian Immigration Check Post(s) will continue to consider all PIO cards as valid for exit from/entry into India till 30th September, 2020.

This extension of timeline is subject to the condition that if in the meantime any deadline is notified by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) thereby making hand-written PIO cards invalid, then PIO cardholders may have to obtain appropriate visa from Indian Missions/Posts.

All PIO cardholders are, meanwhile, advised to convert their PIO cards into OCI cards well in time.

The fee for conversion of PIO card into OCI card is US$ 100.

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