



Consulate General of India
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Subject : **Extension of last date for getting OCI Card re-issued to 31st December, 2020**

As per existing instructions, the Overseas Citizen of India Cardholder registration is required to be got re-issued each time a new passport is issued up to the age of 20 years and once after completing 50 years of age in view of biological changes in the face of the OCI cardholder. With a view to avoid inconvenience to such OCI cardholders, it has been decided to grant extension of time till **31st December, 2020** to get their OCI cards re-issued.

2. As and when prohibition on international air travel is lifted by the Government of India and the status of OCI card as a lifelong visa for travel to/from India is restored, such OCI cardholders may be allowed to travel on the strength of their existing OCI cards bearing old passport. However, this will be subject to the condition that the **OCI cardholder will have to travel along with old and new passports and the OCI card having the old passport number.**

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