Embassy of India Dublin

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PRESS RELEASE ON PIO CARDS

The deadline for converting Person of Indian Origin (PIO) card to OCI card has been extended. The Indian immigration will accept all PIO cards (including hand written PIO cards), along with valid foreign passport, as valid travel document till December 31, 2025, instead of earlier deadline i.e. December 31, 2024.

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, PIO card holders may have to obtain appropriate visa from Indian Mission/Posts, if they have not already converted their PIO card to OCI card.

All PIO card holders are meanwhile advised to convert their PIO card to OCI card.
