

**Extension of time-line for handwritten travel document/PIUO cards beyond  
31<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

The Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, vide their Office Memorandum No. 26011/Misc/71-2018-OCI dated 13 Feb 2020, have informed that handwritten travel documents / PIO Cards will be accepted as valid travel documents along with valid foreign passport at all Indian Immigration Check Posts till **30th September 2020** instead of the earlier circulated deadline i.e. 31st March 2020.

2. This extension of time-line is subject to the condition that if, in the meantime, any deadline is notified by the ICAO thereby making handwritten PIO Cards invalid, then PIO cardholders may have to obtain appropriate visa from Indian Missions/Posts.

3. All PIO cardholders are hereby advised to apply for **conversion of PIO Card to OCI Card** as per the guidelines issued by MHA from time to time.