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**Consulate General of India  
San Francisco**

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Acceptibility of PIO Cards for travel to India till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021.**

This is to inform all Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) Card holders that PIO Cards (including handwritten/machine readable) will continue to be valid along with a valid foreign passport for entry into India till 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021. Earlier deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 for conversion of PIO Cards, thus, stands revised.

This extension of deadline is subject to the condition that if in the meantime any deadline is notified by International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) making handwritten PIO Cards invalid, then PIO Card holders may have to obtain an appropriate visa from the Indian Missions/Posts.

However, all PIO Card holders are also advised to convert their existing PIO Cards to OCI Cards well in advance.

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