



**Consulate General of India
Sao Paulo**

Press Release

PIO Card validity extended up to 30 September 2020

The Bureau of Immigration (BoI) will accept all Person of Indian Origin (PIO) cards (including handwritten PIO cards), along with valid foreign passport, as valid travel document **till 30 September 2020**, instead of earlier deadline i.e. 31 March 2020. Indian Immigration Check Post(s) will continue to consider all PIO cards valid for exit from/entry into India till 30 September 2020.

2. 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 handwritten PIO cards invalid, then PIO cardholders may have to obtain appropriate visa from Indian Missions/Posts.

3. All PIO cardholders are again advised to convert their PIO cards to OCI cards well in time.

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