



Consulate General of India

Vancouver

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Press Release

Extension of validity of PIO Card up to December 31, 2025

Indian Immigration will accept all Person of Indian Origin (PIO) cards, alongwith a valid foreign passport, as a valid travel document till December 31, 2025 instead of the earlier deadline of 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 handwritten PIO cards invalid, then PIO cardholders may have to obtain appropriate visa from Indian Missions/Posts for travel to India.

2. All PIO cardholders with valid PIO cards as on January 9, 2015 are meanwhile advised to convert their PIO card to OCI card by 31.12.2025

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January 15, 2025