## High Commission of India Kuala Lumpur

## Relaxation in OCI Guidelines till 31 December 2021

OCI cardholders, who may require to get their OCI cards re-issued due to issuance of a new passport, Government of India has granted extension of time till 31.12.2021. Such OCI cardholders will be allowed to travel to/from India on the strength of their existing OCI cards bearing old passport number along with the new passport.

2. Further, Government has now dispensed with the requirement to re-issue an OCI card each time a new passport is issued to a foreigner up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age. Re-issue of OCI card will now be required only once, when a new passport is issued after completing 20 years of age. However, OCI cardholder will be required to upload a copy of the new passport containing the passport and also a latest photo on the online system each time a new passport is issued up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age. Further, those who have been registered as OCI cardholder as spouse of foreign origin of a citizen of India or spouse of foreign origin of an OCI cardholder will be required to upload a copy of the new passport containing the photo and also a latest photo on the online system each time a new passport is issued, along with a declaration signed by the OCI cardholder and his/her Indian spouse or OCI cardholder spouse to the effect that their marriage is still subsisting.

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