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Deadline for Conversion of PIO Cards to OCI Cards

31st December, 2017 has been fixed as the final deadline for free – of-charge conversion of PIO cards into OCI cards. No further extensions will be considered.

It may also be noted that PIO Community / PIO Cardholders travelling to India on the strength of their PIO cards (handwritten) may be refused entry at the Indian Immigration Counters and sent back after ICAO rules/guidelines (with respect to travel with machine readable travel documents) come into effect.

The PIO Cardholders are requested to obtain their OCI Cards before the deadline as any request for conversion post-deadline (31st December, 2017) will attract a fee of USD 275, which is the same as the fee charged for issuance of a fresh OCI card.
