

**Consulate General of India
Toronto**

**PRESS RELEASE
PIO to OCI conversion**

For the awareness of the community, this is to reiterate that all the PIO card holders are required to convert their PIO cards into OCI cards at the earliest. The deadline for the conversion process has been extended by Government of India from June 30, 2017 to **December 31, 2017**.

All PIO card holders in Canada are requested to convert their PIOs to OCI at the earliest so as to avoid any complications during their travel to India. It is further advised that conversion of PIO to OCI cards does not require any extra scrutiny or additional documents except for the photocopies of Canadian passport and existing PIO card. The conversion is free of cost plus the service fee of \$9.40 charged by the outsourcing agency.

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