

CONSULATE GENERAL OF INDIA DURBAN

PRESS RELEASE

Revised guidelines for re-issue of OCI Cards

This is in continuation to Press Release dated 29.04.2021 on Revised guidelines for re-issue of OCI Cards.

2. The Online OCI webportal has been suitably modified under "OCI Miscellaneous Services" to facilitate OCI cardholders to update details of **new Passport (each time a new passport is issued up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age)** and reissue of OCI card **once a new passport is issued after completing 20 years of age.** A detailed instruction in order to fill Online Application form and requirement may be accessed at https://ociservices.gov.in/welcome.

3. Likewise as per Gazette Notification dt. 04.03.2021 on rights and privileges, OCI cardholders are required to obtain Special Permission from concerned authorities to undertake certain activities in India. In order to make it convenient to such OCI cardholders, a separate sub-portal under the name **"Apply for Special Permission (only for OCI cardholders)"** has been created in the Online OCI webportal at <u>https://ociservices.gov.in/welcome</u>. The link has detailed instructions as well as documents required to be submitted. The link would facilitate such OCI cardholders to apply for Special Permission.

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