High Commission of India

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Subject: Revised guidelines for Re-issuance of Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cards.

Government of India has revised the instructions/ guidelines on Re-issuance of OCI cards on issue of new passports to foreign nationals holding OCI cards.

- (i). Mandatory requirement of re-issuance of an OCI card each time a new passport is issued to a foreign ational up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age, has been dispensed with and OCI card holder is now required to get the OCI card reissued only once when a new passport is issued after completing 20 years of age, so as to capture his/her facial features.
- (ii). OCI card holder is required to upload online [www.ociservices.gov.in], a copy of the new passport and a latest photo each time a new passport is now issued up to 20 years of age and once after completing 50 years of age. The uploading of these documents on the OCI portal [www.ociservices.gov.in], may be done within three months of receipt of the new passport. The service will be provided on gratis (no cost/ free) basis.
- (iii). Foreign spouse of an Indian citizen or spouse of foreign origin of an OCI card holder are required to upload a copy of the new passport and also a latest photo online [www.ociservices.gov.in], each time a new passport is issued along with a declaration on subsisting of marriage, copy of the Indian passport of the Indian spouse/passport and OCI card of the OCI card holder spouse.
- (iv). Immediately on uploading of the documents mentioned in (ii) and (iii) above, an email will be auto sent by the system to the OCI cardholder confirming that the documents have been successfully uploaded.

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