Extension of time-line for handwritten travel document/PIO cards beyond 31st, March 2020'

Bureau of Immigration (BOI) will accept PIO cards as valid travel documents till 30th September 2020 along with valid foreign passport and the Indian Immigration Check Post(s) will continue to consider all PIO cards valid for exit from/entry into India till 30th September 2020. This extension of timeline is subject to the condition that if in the meantime any deadline is notified by the International Civil Organization (ICAO) thereby making handwritten PIO cards invalid, then PIO cardholders may have to obtain appropriate visa from India Missions/Posts.

All the PIO cardholders with valid PIO cards, as on 09.01.2015, are hereby advised to please apply for conversion of PIO card to OCI card at the earliest.
