

NOTIFICATION

With a view to streamline some provisions of the Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) scheme and ease travel of OCI cardholders to India, the Government of India has taken the following steps recently:

- 1. The online OCI webportal has been suitably modified under "OCI Miscellaneous Services" to facilitate OCI card holders 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.
- 2. For 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 https://ociservices.gov.in/welcome. 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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