F.No.26011/Misc./83/2020-OCI Government of India/ भारत सरकार Ministry of Home Affairs/ गृह मंत्रालय Foreigners Division/ विदेशी विषयक विभाग

> Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, India Gate Circle, New Delhi – 110002

> > Dated 5th May, 2020

ORDER

In continuation of this Ministry's Orders of even no. dated 13.03.2020 and 16.04.2020, the Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (a) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Foreigners Act, 1946 (31 of 1946), being of the opinion that it is necessary and expedient in public interest to do so, hereby specifies that the right of multiple entry life long visa facility for visiting India for any purpose granted to persons registered as Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders under section 7A of the Citizenship Act, 1955 (57 of 1955) in terms of the Notification S.O. 542(E) dated 11th April, 2005 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs shall continue to be kept in abeyance till the prohibition on international air travel of passengers from/to India is lifted by the Government of India.

- 2. Any foreign national holding an OCI card who intends to travel to India for compelling reasons during this period may contact the nearest Indian Mission.
- 3. In case of persons holding OCI card who are already in India, the OCI card shall remain valid for their stay in India for any length of time.

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- 1. Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary of Home Department of all State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.
- 2. DGPs of all State Governments & Union Territory Administrations.
- 3. Bureau of Immigration [Shri Rajeev Ranjan Verma, Additional Director], New Delhi.
- 4. Cabinet Secretariat (Shri Pankaj Jain, Joint Secretary), New Delhi.
- 5. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare [Shri Lav Agarwal, Joint Secretary], New Delhi.
- 6. Ministry of External Affairs [Dr. Adarsh Swaika, Joint Secretary (CPV)], Patiala House Annexe, New Delhi.
- 7. Ministry of Home Affairs, JS (Disaster Management), NDCC Building, New Delhi 110 001.