

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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The Consulate General of India, Houston has taken the following decisions with immediate effect in light of the existing advisories associated with the coronavirus and movement restrictions in several States,

(i) OCI applications will not be accepted, including by postal mail, until further notice.

(ii) Passport applications will not be accepted, including by postal mail, until further notice. However, applicants requiring passports on emergency basis may kindly send an email to [enquiriescgi@swbell.net](mailto:enquiriescgi@swbell.net) explaining their emergency situation. Once the request has been approved, the applicant will be informed to complete the application process and send the papers by postal mail to CKGS for further processing.

(iii) Miscellaneous consular services shall continue to be accepted only by postal mail until further notice. Applicants should factor in that it may take longer and there could be delays in providing miscellaneous services due to the current situation.