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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
(Foreigners Division)

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New Delhi -110001, the 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2015.

To

1. All Indian Missions/Posts abroad
2. All State Governments/Union Territory Administrations
3. FRROs - Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Amritsar, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Kochi, Thiruvananthapuram, Calicut, Goa, Lucknow and Ahmedabad.

**Subject: Foreign nationals [including Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders] intending to visit India for commissioning surrogacy**

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Sir,

Please to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 9.7.2012 conveying instructions relating to grant of Medical Visa to foreign nationals intending to visit India for commissioning surrogacy and to this Ministry's subsequent letter of even number dated 19/21.2.2014 conveying the provisions applicable to OCI/PIO cardholders for commissioning surrogacy in India (A copy each of this Ministry's letters dated 9.7.2012 and 19/21.2.2014 is enclosed for reference).

2. The matter has been further examined in consultation with all stakeholders. It has accordingly been decided, with the approval of the competent authority, to withdraw this Ministry's letters of even number dated 9.7.2012 and 19/21.2.2014 referred to in para 1 above, with immediate effect.

The Indian Missions/ Posts/ FRROs/ FROs are directed to ensure the following, with immediate effect:-

- (i) No visa should be issued by the Indian Missions/ Posts to foreign nationals intending to visit India for commissioning surrogacy
- (ii) No permission should be granted by the Foreigners Regional Registration Officers (FRROs)/ Foreigners Registration Officers (FROs) to Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders to commission surrogacy in India.
- (iii) No exit permission should be granted by the FRROs/ FROs to the child/ children to be born through surrogacy to foreign nationals including OCI cardholders. However, for child/children born through surrogacy already commissioned on or before issue of this Circular, exit permission will be decided by FRROs/FROs on case to case basis.

3. Visa, if any, granted by the Indian Missions/ Posts to foreign nationals and permission, if any, granted by the FRROs/ FROs to OCI cardholders, for commissioning surrogacy in India, from the date of issue of this Circular and date of receipt of the Circular, may please be cancelled and the applicants may be informed of the position immediately.

4. All authorities concerned are requested to strictly comply with the above mentioned instructions.

Yours faithfully

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