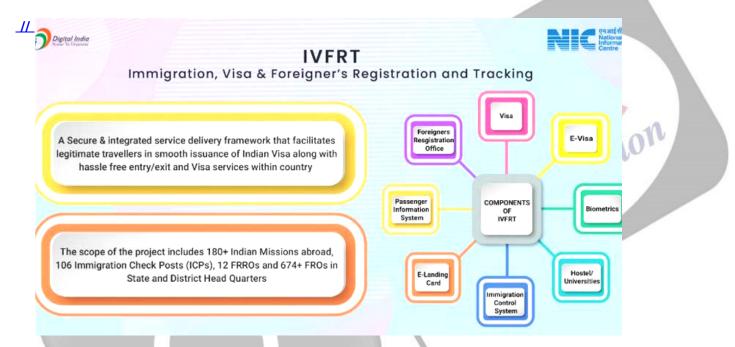


## **IVFRT Scheme**

## Why in News?

Recently, the Government has approved the continuation of the **Immigration Visa Foreigners Registration Tracking (IVFRT) Scheme** for a period till **31**<sup>st</sup> **March 2026** with a financial outlay of **Rs.1,364.88 crore.** 



## What is the IVFRT Scheme?

- It seeks to interlink and optimise functions relating to immigration, visa issuance, registration of foreigners and tracking of their movements in the country.
- Its core objective is modernisation and upgradation of immigration and visa services.
- It has been identified and included as one of the Mission Mode Projects to be undertaken by the Ministry of Home Affairs under the <u>National e-Governance Plan (NeGP)</u>.
- Currently, it covers 192 Indian missions across the globe, 108 Immigration Check Posts in India, 12 Foreigners Regional Registration Officers and offices and more than 700 Foreigners Registration Officers, Superintendents of Police/Deputy Commissioners of Police across the country.
- After the commencement of IVFRT, the number of visa and Overseas Citizen of India cards issued increased from 44.43 lakh in 2014 to 64.59 lakh in 2019 at a Compounded Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 7.7%.

**Source: PIB** 

