

Press Release

Invitation to the Indian Diaspora in Qatar to celebrate the 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas in Odisha

The Embassy of India invites the vibrant Indian diaspora in Qatar to participate in the 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD), a prestigious event that celebrates the contributions of overseas Indians to India's development. This biennial gathering will take place in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, from January 8 to 10, 2025, under the theme "Diaspora's Contribution to a Viksit Bharat."

Event Highlights:

January 8, 2025, Youth Pravasi Bharatiya Divas: Joint inauguration of Youth PBD by Hon'ble External Affairs Minister, Hon'ble Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Odisha.

January 9, 2025, Inauguration Ceremony: Inauguration of the 18th PBD Convention by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi

January 10, 2025, Valedictory Session & Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awards: Valedictory Session of the 18th PBD Convention along with the Conferment of Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awards and Valedictory Address by the Hon'ble President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu.

The program also includes interactive plenary sessions, cultural performances, and networking opportunities.

The Pravasi Bharatiya Divas commemorates Mahatma Gandhi's return to India on January 9, 1915, and has evolved since 2003 into a significant platform for fostering connections between India and its global diaspora. The 2025 event offers a unique opportunity to engage with India's journey towards becoming a developed nation. Indian nationals and persons of Indian origin in Qatar are encouraged to register early and take advantage of this unique opportunity to connect with the roots and contribute to India's progress. A large number of Indians from Qatar have participated in the past PBD celebrations and more than 180 people have already registered for the event this year. Besides this PBD Convention is also a great opportunity to see the rich culture and tourist sites of Odisha as well and understand business and investment opportunities in the state.

Registration:

Register now to secure your spot and be part of this momentous occasion.

🌐 Visit: <http://pbdindia.gov.in>

Join us in Bhubaneswar to honor the deep bonds between India and its diaspora, and contribute to building a prosperous, inclusive, and forward-looking India.

For inquiries and assistance regarding the event, please contact Embassy of India, Doha or Indian Cultural Center working under the aegis of Embassy of India.

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