

**Know India Programme**

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) will be organizing the next edition of the 'Know India Program (KIP)' as per the schedule given below:

	Period	Focus State	Last date for receipt of nominations
	07 May - 01 June 2016	Maharashtra	09 April 2016

KIP is aimed at to create awareness about the phenomenal transformation that is taking place in India and to highlight country's progress, which will change the image of India from just a destination for culture, heritage and art to an emerging powerhouse in the global economic system. The KIP is a 25 days orientation programme for diaspora youth to promote awareness on different facets of life in India and the progress made by the country in various fields. The highlight of this years KIP is a tour of Maharashtra on board the luxury train 'Deccan Odyssey'. The programme broadly includes the following:

- Call on dignitaries.
- Presentations on the country, political process, developments in various sectors.
- Interaction with faculty and students at a prestigious University/College/Institute.
- Presentation on the industrial development and visits to some industries.
- Interaction with NGOs and organizations dealing with women affairs.
- Visit to a village to better understand a typical village life.
- Visit to places of historical importance/monuments.
- Taking part in Cultural programmes.
- Exposure to Indian media.

The following may be noted in this regard:

- i. This programme is open only for diaspora youth in the age group of 18-26. NRIs are not eligible to apply for this programme.
- ii. It is open to PIOs from all over the world.
- iii. Completed application need to be submitted to the Embassy of India, Manila. Only those nominations may be forwarded to the Ministry which are in accordance with the prescribed guidelines.
- iv. Selected participants would be required to purchase air ticket for their journey from the country of residence to India and back, as per the schedule prescribed by the Ministry. Concerned Indian Missions/Post would reimburse 90% (ninety percent) of the total cost of air ticket (at lowest economy excursion fare) to the participants on successful completion of the programme by them.
- v. Expenses on travel within India will be borne by MEA.

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
NEW DELHI**

**APPLICATION FORM FOR KNOW INDIA PROGRAMME (KIP)**

**A. PERSONAL DETAILS**

(i) Complete Name (as in Passport in **BLOCK** letters)

Last Name

Middle Name

First Name

(ii) Gender : Male/Female

(iii) Date of Birth:

(iv) Place of Birth

(v) Nationality

(vi) Place of Residence

(vii) Passport

Number

Place of issue:

(City)

(Country)

Date of issue:

Date of Expiry:

(viii) Telephone Number:

(with country and city code)

Work

Residence

Mobile/Cell

Fax Number

Email: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

(ix) Complete mailing address with ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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(x) Permanent home address with ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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(xi) Your or your parents place of origin in India : \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant should also fill up details at Annexure A, B ,C, otherwise his candidature will be liable for rejection.

**(Signature of the Applicant)**

**B. Details of Family/Relative(s) in India**

(i) Name, address (if available) and your relationship with your nearest relative who migrated from India:

- (a) Complete Name
- (b) Last Known address of your relative
- (c) Your relationship with him/her
- (d) Mobile number of your relative with city code

**C. EDUCATION**

**D. Occupation/Employment:**

**E. Any achievements professional/educational or other that you want to share with us:** \_\_\_\_\_

**F. Your interests/hobbies** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Annexure-B**

**G. OTHER DETAILS:**

Have you participated in a previous

Know India Programme? If yes, provide details. Yes / No

Have you visited India earlier? If yes, Yes / No

please month and year of the visits, places visited and purpose:

Has any sibling/ relative of yours attended KIP before

Yes / No

Please describe, in not more than 250 words, why you want to take part in the Know India Programme?

**Annexure C:**

**DECLARATION:**

I, HEREBY, DECLARE THAT ALL THE INFORMATION GIVEN IN THIS Application Form are true and correct to the best of my information and belief.

I also declare that I will abide by the regulations of the Know India Programme, would offer my full cooperation in its smooth conduct, and would not leave it mid-way.

I understand that if I am found guilty of any misconduct or indiscipline during the course of the Programme, I could be refused any further participation in the said programme or participation in any future KIP and that I would not be eligible for reimbursement of the 90% of the return international airfare from my country of residence to India. The said reimbursement of 90% of the international airfare would also not be made to me if I leave the Programme mid-way.

(Signature of the applicant)

Name of the Applicant

Date:

**Annexure-D**

**COMMENTS OF THE CONCERNED INDIAN MISSION/POST**

Name of Indian Mission/Post:

Recommendations of the Head of Mission/Post

Signature of HOM/HOP \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the HOM/HOP \_\_\_\_\_

Office Seal

### Dos and Don'ts for participants:

Selected participants have to follow the regulations of the Know India Programme as conveyed to them by the Ministry of External Affairs or an agency nominated by it for conduct of the Programme directly or through Indian Missions/Posts abroad. They are expected to cooperate fully to ensure smooth conduct of KIP.

In case a participant is found guilty of misconduct or indiscipline during the course of his/her stay, he/she may be asked to leave the Programme. Such participants would have to meet the entire cost of their air travel from his/her country of residence to India & back and 'clause 3(c)' above on refund of 90% of the total cost of air ticket by Indian Missions/Posts would not be applicable to them. Drinking and smoking in many places in India is banned and is discouraged. Participants are expected to remain with the group and show interest towards the programme.

The participants would not be permitted to leave the Programme mid-way. All are expected to participate in the various programmes organized for them enthusiastically & are not expected to stay back in their hotel room, except for medical reason as advised by the doctor. Participants who leave the program on their own will not be entitled to either the airfare or the per diem allowance.