

Embassy of India
Bahrain

14th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas- January 7-9, 2016 – Bangaluru, Karnataka

Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) is celebrated on 9 January every year to mark the contribution of Overseas Indian community in the development of India. January 9 was chosen as the day to celebrate this occasion since it was on this day in 1915 that Mahatma Gandhi, the greatest Pravasi, returned to India from South Africa, led India's freedom struggle and changed the lives of Indians forever.

PBD conventions are being held every year since 2003. These conventions provide a platform to the overseas Indian community to engage with the government and people of the land of their ancestors for mutually beneficial activities. These conventions are also very useful in networking among the overseas Indian community residing in various parts of the world and enable them to share their experiences in various fields.

The 14th PBD will be held at Bangaluru, Karnataka from **January 7 to 9, 2017**. A video message from the Minister of External Affairs inviting overseas Indians to the convention may be seen at : <https://youtu.be/j7gwtzKTdNc>

For further details and online registration please see the website of the event at <https://pbdindia.gov.in/>

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