



High Commission of India
Kuala Lumpur

Press Release

82nd Know India Programme (KIP)

The Government of India will be conducting the 82nd edition of the 'Know India Programme' (KIP) from 12th to 31st May 2025, to familiarize the Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) diaspora youth with India's culture, heritage and also with contemporary India.



The poster features the Government of India emblem on the left and the Know India Programme logo on the right. The background is a vibrant orange and yellow gradient with a large, faint watermark of the Ashoka Chakra. The text is centered and uses various colors and fonts to highlight key information. At the bottom, there are social media icons for Facebook, X, and Instagram, each with a corresponding handle.

**MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**KNOW INDIA PROGRAMME
(KIP)**

APPLICATIONS INVITED

**from Indian Diaspora Youth Members
for
82nd Edition of the
KNOW INDIA PROGRAMME**

Dates: 12 May to 31 May 2025

**To apply, kindly contact the Indian
Embassy/Consulate in your Jurisdiction**

Last Date to Apply: 18 April 2025

Diaspora India Connect **diaspora_india** **knowindiaprogramme_mea**

2. The KIP is a 3-week programme for Malaysian youth of Indian origin to introduce them to India and promote awareness about various aspects of India

including Contemporary Indian Art, Heritage, Culture, Economy, Innovations, Start-ups, Science & Technology, etc., to the youth members of the diaspora and strives to motivate and inspire them to contribute and participate in the transformative initiatives of the Government of India as part of its march towards *Viksit Bharat*. Since 2003, 149 Malaysian candidates have participated in the various KIPs organized.

3. The content of the programme broadly includes the following:

- i. Presentations on India, its political process as well as developments in various sectors.
- ii. Visit to institutes of democracy and governance like Parliament, Election Commission, Rashtrapati Bhawan and call on High Dignitaries.
- iii. Showcasing achievements in diverse sectors, including Science & Technology, Information Technology, Pharmaceuticals, Infrastructure, Start-up ecosystem, Digital infrastructure, India Stack, JAM Trinity, Education, Defence, Agriculture and Tourism.
- iv. Visit to places of historical and cultural importance.
- v. Familiarisation with India's cultural heritage and civilization, including Yoga, Ayurveda, and classical forms of Music and Dance.
- vi. Exposure to Government of India schemes like Skill India, Digital India, Aatmanirbhar Bharat, Start Up India, etc.
- vii. Visit to industrial sites, public and private firms to showcase India's strength in Manufacturing & Services sectors.
- viii. Immersion program along with interaction with faculty and students at a prestigious University/College/Institute.
- ix. Visit to leading Scientific and Research Institutions.
- x. Exposure to Indian Media and Broadcasting industry.
- xi. Visit to one or two State(s) in India to expose the participants to the cultural diversity of India.

4. Eligibility Criteria:

- a. Applicants should be in the age group from **21 to below 35 years**.
- b. Applicants must provide their **OCI card detail** or that of their parents or grandparents. In the absence of any documentary proof of Indian Origin, the applicant must submit a written undertaking about their Indian Origin which is to be attested by the High Commissioner of India, Kuala Lumpur.
- c. The applicant **should not have participated in any previous KIP** or any other programme organized and paid for by the Government of India or a State Government in India.
- d. Applicants should have **completed graduation** from a recognized university.
- e. The applicants should be able to speak in **English**, should have studied English as a subject at the High School level or have English as the medium of instruction for their undergraduate course.

5. The KIP application can be downloaded from the Mission's website <<https://hcikl.gov.in>>, and the filled-in application, along with the relevant attachments (passport, bachelor degree certificate, proof of Indian origin / declaration of Indian origin, and medical report) must be emailed as a PDF to <edu.kl@mea.gov.in> by **18th April 2025**. Kindly note that Non-Resident Indian

(NRIs) i.e. Indian nationals residing abroad are not eligible to apply for this programme.

6. The candidates selected for the KIP must submit a **medical fitness report or certificate** confirming their ability “*to undertake long-distance and extended-duration travel*” and must take a mandatory **travel and overseas medical insurance** for the duration of the visit in India. They need to **pay 10% of the air ticket cost** and provide a **signed undertaking** that he/she “will reimburse to the Indian High Commission the amount spent on airfare by the Government of India, if he / she does not complete the KIP”.

7. The selected candidates will be provided following hospitality/facilities in India:

- a) Local hospitality i.e. boarding/lodging in hotels with 3-stars and above.
- b) Internal travel as per the Programme.
- c) Gratis Visa by the Indian High Commission, Kuala Lumpur.
- d) Economy class return air ticket from Malaysia to India.

8. Upon successful completion of the KIP programme, the participants must submit a **Programme Report in 750-1000 words** outlining their experiences and insights from the KIP. The report will be a detailed account of their learnings from the KIP and how the visit has helped them to improve their understanding about India. The participants will receive their **KIP Certificates** only after the acceptance of their Programme Reports.

4th April 2025