

Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India is organizing the following six editions of 'Know India Programme' (KIPs) from August 2019 to October 2019 to familiarize Indian Diaspora youth with India's culture, heritage and with contemporary India:

Edition	Dates	Partner States
54 KIP	1 st August to 25 th August 2019	Punjab and Haryana
55 KIP	3 rd September to 27 th September 2019	Goa
56 KIP	1 st October to 25 th October 2019	Kerala

Know India Programme is a 25 days orientation programme for diaspora youth. It is conducted with a view to promote awareness on different facets of life in India and the progress made by the country in various fields namely economic, industrial, education, science & technology, communication & information Technology, culture. KIP provide a unique forum for students & young professionals of Indian origin to visit India, share their views, expectations & experiences and to develop closer bonds with the contemporary India. This programme is open only for Indian origin Diaspora youth in the age group of **18-30 years**. Preference would be given to those PIOs who have not visited India so far. NRIs are not eligible to participate in the programme. Interested Indian-origin youth can submit their applications online through KIP portal: www.kip.gov.in.

The allotment of candidates will be on first-come-first serve basis and subject to fulfillment of all eligibility criteria. **The KIP portal is currently open for receiving applications for 54th – 56th editions of KIP.** More details on the application process can be obtained from inf.pretoria@mea.gov.in