

Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2006

Tag Line – Coming Together, Working Together

Sl. No.	Session	Topic	Speaker		
1.	Plenary Session I	Defining a Diaspora Agenda	Mr. Oscar Fernandes	MOS (IC)	India
			Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary, MOIA	India
			Prof. Sunil Khilnani	Director, South Asia Studies Johns Hopkins University	USA
			Prof. Devesh Kapur	Professor, University of Texas	
			Dato Seri S. Samy Vellu	Minister of Works	Malaysia
			Dr. Prem Misir	Pro-Chancellor, University of Guyana	Guyana
			Mr. Lalit Mansingh	Former Foreign Secretary	India
2.	Roundtable I	India : The Knowledge Powerhouse	Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary MOIA	India
			Dr. Mohanbir Sawhney	Professor of Marketing, Kellogg School	USA
3.	Plenary Session II	Diaspora Collaboration in Healthcare	Mr. Oscar Fernandes	MOS (IC)	India
			Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary MOIA	India
			Dr. Vijay Koli	President, AAPI	
			Dr. S. Balasubramaniam	Treasurer, AAPI	
			Dr. P.S. Sugathan	Consultant and Deputy Head at National Referral Hospital	Brunei
			Dr. Balaji Sadasivan	Minister of State for Information, Communications and the Arts and Health, Govt. of Singapore	Singapore
4.	Plenary Session III	Remittance Services	Mr. Oscar Fernandes	MOS (IC)	India
			Mr. P. Chidambaram	Minister for Finance, Govt. of India	India
			Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary, MOIA	India
			Dr. P.J. Nayak	Chairman, UTI Bank	India
5.	Plenary Session IV	Interactive Session with States	Mr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia	Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission	India
			Dr. Amit Mitra	Secretary General, FICCI	India
			Dr. Y.S.R. Reddy	Chief Minister, Andhra Pradesh	India

			Mr. Nitish Kumar	Chief Minister, Bihar	India	
			Mr. Narendra Modi	Chief Minister, Gujarat	India	
			Mr. Ghulam Nabi Azad	Chief Minister, Jammu & Kashmir	India	
			Mr. Oomen Chandy	Chief Minister, Kerala	India	
			Mr. Vilasrao Deshmukh	Chief Minister, Maharashtra	India	
			Mr. P.G.R. Scindhia	Industry & Finance Minister, Karnataka	India	
			Mr. Narpat Singh	Minister for Industries, Labour & Employment, Rajasthan	India	
			Mr. D. Jayakumar	Minister for Law and IT, Tamil Nadu	India	
			Mr. A.K. Deb	Chief Secretary, West Bangal	India	
6.	Parallel Sessions with States	Andhra Pradesh	Dr. Y.S.R. Reddy	Chief Minister, Andhra Pradesh	India	
			Dr. J. Geeta Reddy	Minister for Culture and Tourism	India	
		Bihar	Mr. J.K. Datta			
			Mr. Nitish Kumar	Chief Minister, Bihar	India	
			Mr. Sunil Modi	Deputy Chief Minister	India	
		Gujarat	Mr. Ashok Bhatt	Sate's Minister of Energy and Law	India	
			Mr. Narendra Modi	Chief Minister, Gujarat	India	
		Jammu & Kashmir	Mr. S.S. Kapur	Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister	India	
			Mr. Bikas C. Sanyal	Special Advisor, International Institute for Educational Planning (UNESCO)	Paris	
		Karnataka	Mr. P.G.R. Scindhia	State Minister of Industry	India	
			Lakshmi Venkatachalam	Principal Secretary, Industry	India	
			Dr. Deviprasad Shetty	Founder, Narayana Hrudayalaya Foundation	India	
		Kerala	Mr. Jiji Thomson	Director of Public Relations and Information	Kerala	
			Ms. Suman	Director of Kerala Tourism Development Corporation	India	
			Mr. Oomen Chandy	Chief Minister, Kerala	India	
		Maharashtra	Mr. Ashok Chavan	Minister of Industry, Maharashtra	India	
		Rajasthan				
		Tamil Nadu	Mr. R. Rajagopal	Secretary, Planning Development and Special Initiatives Department,	India	

				Tamil Nadu		
			Mr. D. Rajendran	Secretary, Tourism, Tamil Nadu	India	
			Mr. D. Jayakumar	Minister for Law and IT, Tamil Nadu	India	
		West Bangal	Mr. S. Sen	Principal Secretary, Commerce	India	
			Mr. P. Vanamali	Resident Commissioner	India	
			Mr. A.K. Deb	Chief Secretary and Secretary, West Bangal Industrial Development Corporation	India	
			Mr. Arvind Sood		US	
			Ms. Saswati Chakraborty	The Economic Times, Bangalore	India	
7.	Plenary Session V		Diaspora Knowledge Network	Mr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia	Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission	India
				Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary, MOIA	India
		Mr. Abdul Waheed Khan		ADG for Communication and Information, UNESCO		
		Mr. Steve Glovinski		Consultant, UNDP	India	
		Mr. Alok Srivastava		Consultant, UNDP	India	
		Mr. Ravi Seethapathy		Chair, Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute	Canada	
		Dr. N.S. Rajendran		Secretary, Youth Affairs	Malaysia	
		Mr. Ramalinga Raju		Chairman, Satyam Computers		
8.	Plenary Session VI	Diaspora Culture	and	Mr. Jaipal Reddy	Minister for Culture and Urban Development, Govt. of India	India
				Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary, MOIA	India
				Dr. Karan Singh	President ICCR	India
				Mr. Rathna Kumar	Director, ANJALI, Centre for Indian Performing Arts	USA
				Mr. Abhimanyu Unnuth		Mauritius
				Mr. Satnarayan Maharaj	Secretary General, Sanatan Dharma Maha Sabha (SDMS)	Trinidad & Tobago
				Mr. Dato G. Palanivel	Minister for Women and Community Development	Malaysia
9.	Parallel Sessions I	Indians in the Gulf		Mr. M.M. Hassan	Chairman, NORKA-ROOTS	India
				Mr. R.K. Singh	PGOE, MOIA	India
				Prof. Binod Khadria	NUS	Singapore
				Mr. Ali Shabbir Mohd.	Minister for I&PR and Energy, AP	India

			Mr. Abhay Mehta	Dubai	Dubai
			Mr. T.K. Jose	Principal Secretary, Govt. of Kerala	India
			Mr. Suresh Kumar		Dubai
			Mr. M.K. Madhavan	President, Indian Association	Sharjah
			Mr. K. Kumar	Convener, Indian Community	Dubai
10.	Parallel Sessions II	Gender Issues of the Diaspora	Dr. Girija Vyas	Nation Women Commission	India
			Dr. Ranjana Kumari	Women Power Connect	India
			Ms. Komala Krishnamurthy	Ministry of Education	Malaysia
			Prof. V.C. Govindraj	ISIL	
11.	Parallel Sessions III	Diaspora Youth	Ms. Madhu Gaud Yashki	Member of Parliament and Member of Standing Committee of MOIA	India
			Mr. Yogeshwar Sangwan	DS, MOIA	India
			Mr. Yogendra Chowdhury	Director, Nehru Yuvak Kendra	India
			Ms. Poonam Ahluwalia	Executive Director, Education Development Centre Inc.	USA
			Mr. Ramesh Subramaniam	Deputy President, Malaysian Youth Congress	
			Ms. Priyanka Patnaik		Intern, 3 rd IPDY
			Mr. Kulvinder Singh		Intern, 4 th IPDY
12.	Parallel Sessions IV	Opportunities in Education	Prof. Y.K. Alagh	Vice-Chairman, SPIESR	
			Ms. Anju Banerjee	Chairman, Ed.CIL	India
			Dr. H.S. Ballal	C.C. MAHE	Manipal
			Mr. Ramachandaran	Director, BiTS-UAE	Dubai
			Mr. Ravi Seethapathy	Chair, Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute	Canada
13.	Parallel Sessions V	Assisted Living	Dr. Laxminarayan Pandey	Chairman, Parliamentary Standing Committee	India
			Mr. B.K. Samal	LIC Housing Finance Ltd.	
			Mr. K. Sridhar	LIC	
			Mr. Jiji Thomson	Director of Public Relations and Information – NORKA	
			Mr. P.K. Choudhury	MD, ICRA	
14.	Parallel Sessions	Commemorating	Mr. Rao Inderjit Singh	MOS for External Affairs	India

	VI	the Diaspora	Mr. Malay Mishra	Joint Secretary, MOIA	India
			Mr. Shundell Prasad	Filmmaker for Los Angeles	Los Angeles
			Mr. Premalal Mahadeo	Aapravasi Ghat Mauritius	Mauritius
			Mr. Deerpalsingh	Mahatma Gandhi Institute	Mauritius
			Ms. Leela Gujadhur Sarup	Author	India
			Mr. R. Chander		Netherlands
			Dr. M.K. Gautam	Vice-Chancellor, European Union University of West & East	Netherlands
			Mr. Rajendra Prasad	Author	Fiji
15.	Panel Discussions I	Diaspora & Political Discourse	Mrs. Shashi U. Tripathi	Secretary (West), MEA	India
			Dr. Lenny K. Saith		Trinidad & Tobago
			Mr. Anil Bachoo	Minister of Environment and National Development Unit	Mauritius
			Mr. George Shiu Raj	Minister Ethnic Affairs	Fiji
			Mr. Baleswar Agarwal	Chairman, Antar Rashtriya Sahayog Parishad	India
			Mr. Ramakrishna Padayachie	Deputy Minister of Communications	South Africa
			Lord Diljit S. Rana		UK
			Mr. Sanjay Puri	Chairman, UNSIN PAC	US
			Dr. Denison Jayasooria	Executive Director, Social Strategic Foundation	Malaysia
			Mr. J.C. Sharma	Former Secretary, MEA	India
16.	Panel Discussions II	Reporting on the Diaspora	Dr. Sanjaya Baru	Media Adviser to PM	India
			Mr. Paras Ramoutar		
			Mr. Chidanand Rajghatta		USA
			Mr. Sreenath Sreenivasan	Dean of Students, Columbia	New York
			Mr. Raju Narisetti	Editor, The Wall Street Journal Europe	Brussels
			Mr. Ramesh Japra	Publisher, India Post	
			Mr. Neena Gopal	Foreign Editor, Asia Gulf News	UAE
			Mr. Shubha Singh		
17.	Panel Discussion III	Communal Harmony and	Mr. Oscar Fernandes	MOS (IC)	India
			Mr. Abdul Raouf Bundhun	Vice-President	Mauritius

		Secularism	Justice A.M. Ebrahim		Zimbabwe
			Mr. Shrikumar Poddar		US
			Mr. George Abraham	Founder, National Coordinator of NRIs for Secular and Harmonious India	US
			Ms. Nirmala Deshpande	Member, Rajya Sabha	India
18.	Plenary Session VII	Diaspora Philanthropy	Mr. Vijay Mahajan	Chairman, BASIX, Hyderabad	India
			Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary, MOIA	India
			Prof. Devesh Kapur	Professor, University of Texas	
			Mr. Venkat Krishnan N.	Director, Give Foundation	India
			Mr. Rajish Lutchman	Chief Executive Director, Aryan Benevolent Home Council	South Africa
			Mr. Ingrid Srinath	Director, CRY (Child Relief and You)	
			Mr. D.S. Mishra	Joint Secretary, MHA	India
			Mr. Bhami Chenroy	Editor, Catalyst	
19.	Round Table II	India : Economic Powerhouse	Mr. Suresh Prabhu	Member of Parliament	India
			Ms. Roopa Purushottam	Goldman Sachs	
20.	Plenary Session VIII	Skilling India : A Window of Opportunity	Dr. J. Geeta Reddy	Minister for Major Industries, Tourism and Sugar, AP	India
			Mr. S. Krishna Kumar	Secretary, MOIA	India
			Lt. Gen (Retd.) S.S. Mehta	CII	India