

**PRAVASI BHARATIYA DIVAS CONVENTION 2019
(INDIAN DIASPORA CONVENTION 2019)**

The 15th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas Convention, 2019 (Indian Diaspora Convention 2019) is being organised at Varanasi in India from January 21-23, 2019. This time the participants will also have the opportunity to participate in the famous Kumbh Mela (Holy Dip) at Prayagraj and the Republic Day celebrations at New Delhi. The entire duration of the programme spans six days, from January 21-26, 2019. However, participation in the Kumbh Mela and witnessing the Republic Day Parade is optional.

The registration for participating in the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) is open for two months till November 15, 2018. The registration, programme and payment details are available on the PBD website www.pbdindia.gov.in.

As number of accommodation at Prayagraj and number of tickets for the Republic Day Parade are limited, these would be provided on first come first serve basis.

Arrangements will also be made for the participants' pick up and drop of to the venue and guided tours for local sightseeing in and around Varanasi and Prayagraj, including visit to Kashi Vishwanath Temple and River Ganga Aarti at Varanasi.

The participation in PBD 2019 will provide the Diaspora a unique experience of India's rich cultural heritage and progress and innovation through Cultural Evenings and Exhibitions that are being arranged as part of PBD 2019. Please see the attached programme for more details.
