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M. Subbarayudu Ambassador

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## Dear Members of Indian Community,

The celebration of next Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) is fast approaching. As you are already familiar, PBD seeks to strengthen the engagement of overseas Indian community with Government of India and reconnect them with their roots. It is a unique opportunity for you to be part of such engagement and reconnection. Preparations are underway for a comprehensive 17<sup>th</sup> PBD Convention in Indore, Madhya Pradesh to be held from 8-10 January 2023.

- 2. The upcoming PBD assumes a special significance for its timing and purpose, as reflected in its theme "Diaspora: Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal". The role and contribution of Indian diaspora is highly valuable during the next 25 year-Amrit Kaal as our motherland inches towards becoming a developed country.
- 3. The PBD Convention, to be inaugurated by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, will have five Plenary Sessions on the themes of role of Diaspora youth in innovation and new technologies; harnessing the potential of women diaspora entrepreneurs towards an inclusive approach to nation building; leveraging the soft power of India goodwill through craft, cuisine & creativity; enabling global mobility of Indian workforce role of Indian Diaspora and role of Indian Diaspora in promoting India's healthcare ecosystem in the Amrit Kaal: Vision @2047. Deliberations and events planned at the Convention are going to be highly rewarding.
- 4. The discount of 20% on early bird registration has been extended to 30 November 2022. Further group registrations with over 10 members would also get discount. Visa fees for PIOs visiting India to attend PBD has also been waived. The accommodation charges have been substantially reduced. MP State Tourism Development Corporation (MPSTDC) has taken steps to facilitate bookings on its accommodation portal. MP Tourism is also providing 24/7 support with Helpline Number (+91-731-2444404) and WhatsApp Support (+91-9893908123) for accommodation queries.
- 5. I would like to request members of Indian community in Peru and Bolivia to register their participation in the PBD at the link <a href="https://pbdindia.gov.in/register-now">https://pbdindia.gov.in/register-now</a> so that there is adequate representation from Peru and Bolivia in PBD 2023. Though PBD web portal <a href="https://www.pbdindia.gov.in">www.pbdindia.gov.in</a> contains the relevant information, you are welcome to approach Shri Raghuvir Singh <a href="https://www.pbdindia.gov.in">(hoc.lima@mea.gov.in</a>) or MEA team at supportpbd@mea.gov.in for any clarification/additional information.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely

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