

## Examrace

# Largest Diaspora, Economy, Technology Development and Transfer

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## Largest Diaspora

US > Malaysia > Saudi > UAE

## Economy

- \$ 30 bn of remittances in 2010
- Highest in the world
- FDI

## Technology Development and Transfer

- Cultural link
- World Leadership

## GOI's Initiative for Diaspora

- Pravasi Bhartiya Divas
- Pravasi Bhartiya Samamn Award
- Indian Community Welfare Fund
- Overseas Citizenship of India scheme
- Know India Programme
- Study India Programme
- Scholarship Programmes for Diaspora Children

## PIO University

Legal and Financial Assistance to Women Deserted by their Overseas Indian Spouses

## Pravasi Bhartiya Divas

- 9<sup>th</sup> Jan every year since 2003
- Provide a platform to the overseas Indian community to engage with the government and people of the land of their ancestors for mutually beneficial activities
- Networking

## PBSA

Is the highest honour conferred on overseas Indians

### **Indian Community Welfare Fund**

- In 43 missions in countries that have a significant overseas Indian population
- Aimed at providing on site welfare services on a means tested basis in the most deserving cases

### **OCI Scheme**

- Introduced in 2005 by amending the Citizenship Act 1955
- Provides for registration as OCI of all PIOs who were citizens of India on 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 1950 or thereafter or were eligible to become citizens of India on 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 1950 except who is or had been a citizen of Pakistan, Bangladesh, or such other country as the Central Govt may by notification specify
- OCI does not confer political rights
- Not entitled to the rights conferred on a citizen of India under Article 16 of the constitution

### **PIO University**

- Would be established
- In 2011, government launched a web-based procedure of attesting employment contracts of Indian workers in the UAE to prevent exploitation by foreign employers

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