

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2165**  
ANSWERED ON- 07/08/2025

**ODISHA PRAVASI BHARATIYA DIVAS**

2165. SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the Ministry will support Odisha's proposal to organize an Odisha Pravasi Bharatiya Divas in countries with significant Odia diaspora, such as UAE, UK and the USA; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a & b) This Ministry organizes Regional Pravasi Bharatiya Divas in countries with high concentration of Indian diaspora, which focuses on issues specific to the Indian diaspora living in that particular geographical region. During such interactions with the diaspora community, issues specific to Indian diaspora belonging to different Indian states, including Odisha, are taken up and addressed.

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