

Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2003

Sl. No.	Session	Topic	Speakers		
1.	Plenary Session I	India and the Diaspora – Forging a Constructive Relationship	Dr. L. M. Singhvi	Rajya Sabha MP and Chairman, Organizing Committee of PBD	India
			Mr. Yashwant Sinha	EAM	India
			Sir Shridath Ramphal	Secretariat General	UK
			Prof. Lord Bhikhu Parekh		UK
			H.E. Dato' Seri S Samy Vellu	Minister of Works	Malaysia
			Mr. Mewa Ramgobin	MP	South Africa
			Mr. Mahendra P. Chaudhry	Former Prime Minister	Fiji
			Mr. Ernest Moutoussamy	M.P.	Guadeloupe
			Mr. B.K. Agnihotri	Ambassador-at-Large for NRIs & PIOs	USA
			Mr. Ujjal Dosanjh	Former Premier of British Columbia	Canada
			Prof. Amartya Sen		
			Mr. Rajat Gupta	CEO	USA
			Prof. C.K. Prahalad		USA
			Justice A.M. Ebrahim	Retired Supreme Court Judge	Zimbabwe
			Ms. Fatima Meer	Director	South Africa
			Prof. Dipak C. Jain	Dean	USA
			Prof. Devesh Kapur	Associate Professor	USA
Mr. Bhartkumar J. Shah	Chairman	Dubai			
Mr. Dhundev Bauhadoor	GOPIO	Mauritius			
Mr. Thomas Abraham					
2.	Plenary Session II	Science and Technology in India – Networking for Excellence”	Dr. L.M. Singhvi	Rajya Sabha MP and Chairman, Organizing Committee of PBD	India
			Mr. S.K. Tripathi	Education Secretary	India
			Dr. Murlī Manohar Joshi	Minister of Human Resource Development, Science & Technology and Ocean Development	India
			Prof. E.C. George Sudarshan	University of Texas	USA

			Dr. R. Chidambaram	Principal Scientific Adviser	India
3.	Plenary Session III	The Global Business Matrix and the Indian Diaspora	Mr. Y.K. Modi	Senior Vice President	FICCI
			Dr. Manu Chandaria		Kenya
			Mr. Jaswant Singh	Minister of Finance and Company Affairs	India
			Mr. Rahul Bajaj	CMD, Bajaj Auto Ltd.	India
			Lord. R.K. Bagri	Chairman, Metdist Group of Companies	UK
			Dr. Satish Batra	President, GIMRET & Co	Germany
			Mr. Aman Mehta	CEO, HSBC	Hong Kong
			Mr. Shivnath Rai Bajaj	Chairman, Diwanchand Group	Thailand
			Ms. S.S. Mahansaria	Chairman, ESSEM Group	Thailand
			Mr. Yesu Persaud	Chairman, Demerara Distillers Limited	Guyana
			Mr. P. Mohamed Ali	Managing Director, Galfar Engineering & Contracting LLC	Oman
			Mr. K. Sital	Chairman Council of Hong Kong Indian Association	Hong Kong
			Mr. Sam Pitroda	Chairman, Worldtel	USA
			Mr. Karan Bilimoria	Chief Executive, Cobra Beer Limited	UK
Mr. Ram Buxani	Director, International Traders Limited	UAE			
4.	Session with the Deputy Prime Minister		Dr. A.C. Muthiah	President, FICCI	India
			Lord Navnit Dholakia	House of Lord	UK
			Hon'ble Dr. Linda Baboolal	President of the Senate Parliament in T&T	Trinidad & Tobago
			Sir V.S. Naipaul		
			Mr. L.K. Advani	Deputy Prime Minister	India
			Ms. Nadira Naipaul		
5.	Interactive Sessions with the State Governme	Punjab	Mr. Mukul Joshi		
			Mr. Avtar Henry	Industries Minister	Punjab
			Dr. L.M. Singhvi	Rajya Sabha MP and Chairman, Organizing Committee of PBD	India
			Dr. Gulzar Cheema		

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			Ms. Jagdi Sher Singh		
			Mr. Dayal Singh		Fiji
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			Mr. Krishan Khanna		
			Prof. Bhagat Singh Taggad		
			Mr. Harbans Singh Sarav		
			Mr. Balbir Singh Sahani		
			Dr. Madhu Khanna		UK
			Mr. D.L. Chadha		
			Mr. Saurabh Garewal		
			Mr. Kang		
6.	Interactive Sessions with the State Governments of India	Andhra Pradesh	Prof. C. Laxmana		
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			Mr. T.S. Appa Rao	Commissioner of Industries	Andhra Pradesh
			Mr. M.V.S. Prasad	Vice-Chairman & MD, AP Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Ltd	
			Mrs. Chandana Khan	Tourism Secretary	Andhra Pradesh
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			Mr. Venu Gopal		UK
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			Mr. Ratnam Kumar		Houston
			Prof. Shiva		New York
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			Mr. Shankara Yatmala	Teacher	Australia
			Mr. Ashok Kumar		Middle East

			Mr. Madhava Rao		
			Dr. K.R. Raju	Ayurvedic Physician	Holland
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			Mr. Ram Kuluri		Chicago
7.	Interactive Sessions with the State Governments of India	Gujarat	Dr. A.C. Muthiah	President, FICCI	India
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			Mr. Ashok Hansraj		Portugal
			Dr. K.P. Shah		Houston
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			Mr. Kabir Kumar		
			Justice Ebrahim		Zimbabwe
			Mr. Anandilal Amin		Fiji
			Mr. Jagdish Lodhia		Australia
			Mr. Nitin Doshi		Dubai
			Dr. Sudhir Parekh		
			Mr. Mike Patel		
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8.	Interactive Sessions with the State	Haryana	Dr. L.M. Singhvi	Rajya Sabha MP and Chairman, Organizing Committee of PBD	India
			Mr. M.K. Meghlani		
			Mr. Om Prakash Chautala	Chief Minister	Haryana

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			Mr. Shyam Pandey		Qatar
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			Mr. Sunil Jain	IBM	Australia
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			Mr. Sandru S. Pillari		South Africa
			Mr. Ramamurthy		
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			Mr. Chandran	Resident Commissioner	Govt. of Kerala
			Mr. C.C. George		
			Mr. M.P.M. Menon	Former Officer, Indian Foreign Service	
			Mr. Parthasarathy Pillai	Former President of Federation of Kerala Association	US
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			Dr. P.S. Suvidhan	President, Indian Association	Brunei
			Mr. Macchindi		
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			Mr. Salim		
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			Mr. K.N. Padmanabhan	Businessman	Bahrain

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			Mr. Radhakrishnan		
			Ms. Ann P Pillai		
			Justice Sukumaran		Kerala
			Mr. A.R. Kutty		
			Mr. M.M. Hassan		
10.	Interactive Sessions with the State Governments of India	Rajasthan	Mr. Vivek Bharati	Advisor of FICCI	
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			Lord Bagri		
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			Mr. Arvind Mayaram	Secretary, Tourism	
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			Ms. Poornima Boria		
			Mr. Mahendra Gupta		
			Mr. Ajit Singhvi		
			Mr. Raipat Bhandari		
			Mr. Arvind Singh		
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				Georgia	
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			Mr. Gaj Singh	Former Maharajas	Jodhpur
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			Maharaja Gaj Singh	Chairman, Murudhar Hotels	
			Mr. Pradip Madhavji	Chairman of Thomas Cook	
			Mr. Lalit Suri	Bharat Hotels, and President of the Hotels Association	India
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13.	Parallel/ Break– out	Entertainment, Ethnic, Media and the Diasporic Identity	Ms. Shabana Azmi	Actress and Rajya Sabha MP	India
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			Mr. Chander M. Rai	CEO, India Today	USA
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14.	Parallel/ Break– out	Health Care & Pharma	Mr. D.B. Gupta	CMD, Lupin Laboratories, Mumbai	India
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			Mr. K. Ramamoorthy	Secretary of Health, Govt. of Kerala	India
			Dr. S. Balasubramaniam	Trauma Specialist	USA
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			Dr. Akhilesh Sharma	Consulting Ayurvedic Physician, New Delhi	India
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			Mr. L. Prasad	Joint Secretary, Indian System of medicine and Homeopathy, Ministry of	India

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			Mr. Rajiv Desai	CEO, 3DI Systems	
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			Mr. Ajay Singhal		
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			Mr. Anupam Govil	Director, Inventes Inc, USA President, TiE Chapter, Austin	Austin
			Mr. Ravi Mehra		Iran
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