

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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PRAVASI BHARTIYA KENDRA
Tagore Shri Manicka

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to construct Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra (PBK);
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the aims and objectives of the said Kendra;
- (c) the place where PBK is proposed to be constructed;
- (d) the funds allocated for construction of PBK; and
- (e) the time by which it will be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a): Yes Sir.

(b)&(c): The Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra (PBK) will be located on Rizat Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi. It will serve as a Centre to commemorate and celebrate the contributions of the diverse Indian Diaspora to Global Society. The Kendra would over time become the focal point for interactions - social, cultural and economic - with and between all Overseas Indians. It will also serve as a research and documentation centre and host permanent exhibitions.

(d): The estimated cost of the PBK is Rs. 79.19 crore.

(e): The Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra (PBK) project is scheduled to be completed by 30.04.2013.