

Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Need to create a separate portal for Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) for more participation of the Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs)

PROF. RICHARD HAY (NOMINATED): Thank you, Sir.

Recently I had attended the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) at Varanasi. It was a thumping success. There I met many Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs), who are interested to reconnect, contribute and celebrate the culture of their country of origin.

Many of them are interested to discover the roots and heritage of India. They also want to contribute to the swifter economic development of the country by partnering with Indian companies and using modern technologies.

I urge upon the Government of India to create a separate portal for this purpose.

HON. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Shri Bhairon Prasad Mishra and Kunwar Pushpendra Singh Chandel are permitted to associate with the issue raised by Prof. Richard Hay.