

**Consulate General of India
Erbil**

Announcement for Know India Programme (KIP) for the year 2022-23

Know India Programme (KIP) is an important initiative of the Government of India to engage with the youth of Indian diaspora (between 18-30 years) and connect them to India. The programme is aimed at acquainting the diaspora youth with progress made by India in various fields e.g. economic, industrial, education, science & technology, communication & information technology and culture etc.

2. KIP provides a unique forum for students and young professionals of Indian origin to visit India, share their views, expectations & experiences and to develop closer bonds with the contemporary India. The programme is open to youth of Indian origin (**youth holding Indian passports are not eligible**). Each KIP group includes 40 young persons. The Government of India extends complete hospitality e.g., boarding and internal transportation in India, return air tickets from their country of residence to India and vice-versa provided participants bear 10% of the cost of total airfare.

3. The next 3 KIPs (63rd, 64th and 65th) have now been announced with Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh & Odisha as partner states. Details of these Programmes are available on the KIP Portal (www.kip.gov.in). Persons desirous to participate in KIP programme may visit the website and apply for suitable schedule and slot under intimation to the Consulate General of India, Erbil through email address hoc.erbil@mea.gov.in. The last date for registration for 63rd and 64th edition is on 02 December 2022 and for 65th edition is on 12 January 2023 respectively.
