

Essay Writing Competition for Applicants of 85th & 86th Know India Programme (KIP)

The 85th and 86th editions of the Know India Programme (KIP) are proposed to be organized in January 2026, in conjunction with the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders' Dialogue being conducted by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS).

In view of the opportunity for participants of both editions to Call On the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India during the said event, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) has decided to conduct a 500-word Essay Writing Competition for KIP applicants. The evaluation of the essays will form the basis for the selection of participants for the 85th and 86th editions of the Know India Programme.

Accordingly, applicants are required to submit a 500-word essay on the following topic:

“Viksit Bharat: India's Standing in the Global World Order in 2047”

Submission Details:

The essay must be sent directly to MYAS at ic.yas@nic.in

A copy of the essay may also be endorsed to the MEA, at us2.oia2@mea.gov.in and cons.vilnius@mea.gov.in.

The last date for submission of the essay is Tuesday, 23 December 2025.

Applicants are advised to strictly adhere to the prescribed word limit and ensure timely submission.
