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Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to inform you that your nomination for the 36th Parliamentary Internship Programme, scheduled to be organised by the Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE) of the Parliament of India, from 21 November to 16 December 2022, has been accepted.

Your participation in the 36th Parliamentary Internship Programme is being funded under the ITEC Scheme of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. You are entitled to a living allowance @ Rs.45,000/- per month and a one-time book allowance of Rs.5000/- [The current exchange rate is US \$1: approximately Rs.83/-; exchange rates, however, might vary]. In addition to these allowances, lodging charges are paid directly to the Hotel by the funding agency. The living allowances are moderate and may not be sufficient for special needs with regard to entertainment, long distance telephone calls, etc. Please note that all the participants would be treated at par, irrespective of their rank/seniority in the parent organization.

Accommodation

Arrangements for your accommodation have been made at 'Hotel Samrat', Chanakyapuri, Diplomatic Enclave, New Delhi. Please check out the hotel at: www.hotelsamrat.co.in Single room accommodation is available to each participant attending the Programme. Breakfast is complimentary; however, *you will have to bear expenses in respect of lunch and dinner from the living allowance given to you.* Kindly bear in mind that the PRIDE is the designated Institute for the training, and for issues relating to accommodation/allowances, etc., you may contact the sponsoring Ministry, in case of any necessity.

Arrival Details

Kindly intimate your arrival details by fax/e-mail to us at the earliest so that Hotel Samrat can be informed of your itinerary to enable them to receive you.

Once we receive your itinerary details we will share the details of the person who will receive you at Indira Gandhi International Airport upon your arrival through email.

Medical Fitness/Vaccinations

All participants may satisfy themselves that they are medically fit to attend the month-long course. Participants may carry with them the requisite vaccination certificates. Please contact the Indian Embassy/High Commission to confirm the vaccinations required. You may also carry essential medicines which you are used to taking, where necessary. Relevant prescription from your physician should be readily available with you. In case of any medical emergency while in India, treatment as prescribed by doctors would be given at a Government Hospital.

Programme Venue

The venue of the Parliamentary Internship Programme will be Lecture Hall 'A', Ground Floor, Parliament Library Building, Pandit Pant Marg, New Delhi-110001. Parliament Complex is about 5 kms. from Hotel Samrat.

Entry Passes for Parliament Complex

All participants will be provided Entry Passes for the Parliament Complex. *It is important to carry the passes at all times during the Programme period.*

Presentation of Country Paper

You may please note that in the course of the Programme, discussion sessions among the participants will be organized during which the constitutional, legal and political systems of each participating country will be discussed. You are, therefore, requested to prepare and bring along a brief paper detailing the salient features of the Constitution, political system, administration of justice and law-making system, and parliamentary procedures followed in your country. Copies of the paper will be circulated among other participants in advance so that the sessions become interactive and productive. Power-Point Presentations are also welcome; you may

forward it as an attachment by e-mail to PRIDE at pride@sansad.nic.in and they should be e-mailed at least 10 days in advance. Please also e-mail us a soft copy of your passport size photograph for record purpose.

Climate:

The month of November & December is Winter season in Delhi, with the temperature in the range of 15-28 degree Celsius (maximum) and 5-15 degree Celsius (minimum). You may carry appropriate clothing with you along with one umbrella.

Mobile Phone

If you are buying local (Indian) SIM cards to use in mobile phones during your stay, you will need to provide identification – your Passport or similar such document. SIM cards are readily available at many shops, and can be recharged quite easily. If you intend to use them for calling home, it is advisable to check the international call rates before purchase, as this can vary significantly for different SIM card providers.

However, mobile phones, cameras and electronic gadgets are not permitted inside Parliament Complex which is a high security area.

Checking-out/Departure

Please check with the Indian Mission to ensure that you reach New Delhi in time for the Programme which will commence on 21st November 2022. Similarly, you must make sure that your return ticket is for a time after 10.00 P.M. on 16th December 2022 as the Valedictory Function is likely to be over only by 6.00 P.M. on that day.

All participants are required to check out of the hotel on the designated departure day. As mentioned earlier, while accommodation and breakfast are paid for as a part of the Programme, any other expenses, including lunch and dinner, and personal expenses for room service, etc. will have to be settled by the participants themselves on check-out. You must ensure that you reach the airport at least 3 hours in advance of your departure time to board the flight to your country. This will also help you to sort out any problem with regard to excess baggage, etc.

In case of need for any assistance, please contact Dr. Seema Kaul Singh, Director, Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies, Lok Sabha

Secretariat[Telephone Nos. 091-11-23035666(Office); +9818152789(Mobile)] and Shri Harshendra Narayan, Deputy Director, Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies, Lok Sabha Secretariat [Telephone Nos. 091-11-23034911(Office); +9540090415(Mobile)].

Please check icon “Welcome to 36thPIP” under “Parliamentary Internship Programme“ on our website pride.nic.in or further updates.

Looking forward to meeting you soon and with the very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

(DR. SEEMA KAUL SINGH)

To the participants (sponsored under ITEC)