

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of Bharat Ko Janiye Quiz 2018-19**

Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India is organizing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of Bharat Ko Janiye (BKJ) Quiz for overseas Indian youth globally. The BKJ Quiz will be held for two distinct categories of PIO & NRI in the age group of 15-35 years as on 1 January 2019 (Born not before 01 January 1984 and not after 1 January 2004).

The Quiz will be conducted in 4 rounds. The first round of the Quiz will be conducted by the Embassy of India, Tokyo for eligible Indians residing in Japan and Republic of Marshall Island during July 19 to July 21, 2018. The top three contenders/participants of the 1<sup>st</sup> round of Quiz from each category of NRI and PIO, who will be eligible for the second round, will be given medals (Gold, Silver and Bronze) by the Embassy. Please keep visiting Embassy's website ([www.indembassy-tokyo.gov.in](http://www.indembassy-tokyo.gov.in)) for getting updates on the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the Quiz.

The second, third and fourth rounds of the Quiz will be conducted by the Ministry. The 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the Quiz will also be online and 3<sup>rd</sup> (Semi-Final) and 4<sup>th</sup> (Final) rounds will be onsite in India. The venue for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rounds will be posted on BKJ Quiz website <https://www.bharatkojaniye.in/> later and the eligible contenders will also be communicated individually.

The 10 finalists of the 2<sup>nd</sup> round from each category of NRI and PIO (from all over the world) from 2<sup>nd</sup> round of Quiz will be invited to India for a 15-day Bharat Ko Janiye Yatra including a visit to Lakshadweep Union Territory. Government of India will bear international airfare and all expenses including board and lodging.

A workshop would be organized in New Delhi before the commencement of Bharat Ko Janiye Yatra, for the finalists of the 2<sup>nd</sup> round to familiarize them with Quiz format and provide guidance about how to handle the Semi-final and Final rounds.

The top 3 winners of the final round of BKJ Quiz from each category of NRI & PIO will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze medals and a Certificate at the Pravasi Bharat Diwas Convention, 2019.

There is no entry fee for participation in the Bharat Ko Janiye Quiz.

Other details like Guidelines for the Quiz contest, General Rules, Quiz Structure including Registration Form, Model Test and FAQs are available on the web portal <https://www.bharatkojaniye.in/>

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**Important Notes:**

**NRI Category:** A Participant can be an NRI with a valid Indian passport and work permit of country of residence, certifying his/her NRI status provided he/she meets the following criteria:

[A person is a resident who has stayed equal to or more than 182 days in India during the current financial year or stayed in India for 365 days or more in previous 4 consecutive financial years and at least 60 days in the current financial year. Any Indian citizen who does not meet the criteria as a "resident of India" is a non-resident of India.]

The wards of NRIs/PIOs living/residing in India are otherwise eligible for contesting the Quiz provided their parents meet the eligibility criteria. They should use the passport details of their eligible parent/s in the registration process.

**PIO Category:** A participant must hold a valid PIO card or number/OCI card or number or either of his parents or one of his grandparents from the maternal or paternal side must be OCI/PIO card holders.

In case PIO or NRI status of the participant turns out to be false, he/she will be disqualified and will not be allowed to take part in the next rounds of the Quiz nor will he/she be considered for medal.