

Großbritannien: Neues Programm zur Vertiefung der indisch-britischen Beziehungen

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Im Rahmen seiner Indienreise hat der britische Vize-Premierminister Nick Clegg neue Initiativen zur Vertiefung der Beziehungen mit Indien bekanntgegeben: Zum einen ein Programm, mit dem in den kommenden fünf Jahren 25.000 jungen Briten ein Aufenthalt in Indien ermöglicht werden soll. Zum anderen einen Preis, mit dem Personen ausgezeichnet werden, die sich im besonderen Maße um die indisch-britischen Beziehungen verdient gemacht haben. Zudem wurden weitere Kooperationen von Vertretern britischer Universitäten und Bildungseinrichtungen, die den Vize-Premierminister begleiten, bekanntgegeben.

Nick Clegg calls for nominations for new Dadabhai Naoroji Awards

The Deputy PM announced a new exchange programme helping young people to work and study in India, and new awards recognising UK-Indian ties.

On the second day of histrade mission to India, the Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg, has announced major new initiatives to deepen the historic links between the UK and India.

In Mumbai, he has established a new award for individuals whose outstanding achievements have strengthened relations between the UK and India. The new awards are dedicated to Dadabhai Naoroji, the first Asian Member of the UK Parliament and the man who brought the first Indian business to the UK. The awards will be open to anyone who wishes to apply and will have 3 categories – people who have furthered UK-Indian relations in the fields of commerce, culture or education.

The awards will be presented by the Deputy Prime Minister at a Foreign Office ceremony in the autumn. Nominations will open on 1 September 2014. Anyone who would like to nominate an individual, either in the UK or in India, whose achievements have furthered UK-Indian relations in the fields of commerce, culture and education, will be able to do so online.

In addition, a new exchange programme will see thousands of young people from the UK travel to India to work and study.



The Deputy Prime Minister announced a new British Council scheme that will see 25,000 young people from the UK visit India over the next 5 years. This will unlock new opportunities for young people in the UK, benefitting British students whose experience of living and working in India will help equip them for jobs in the global marketplace.

Other links with India

Other universities and education establishments in the delegation also announced new links with India.

UK-India Education and Research Initiative

The Deputy Prime Minister celebrated the achievements of the UK-India Education and Research Initiative, which today launched a new initiative which will see Indian community colleges partner with further education institutions in the UK. The colleges will receive £25,000 for innovative partnerships that could include teacher training, engagement with the local community and new curriculum materials.

Education UK Alumni Award

A new Education UK Alumni Award will open for nominations in October to recognise Indians who studied in the UK and made an impact on their return to India. The awards will demonstrate the benefits of a British university education, both to the students themselves and to their wider communities.

Chevening Scholarships

Nick Clegg announced today that 25 Chevening Scholarships will be reserved for young Indian entrepreneurs. These scholarships will offer highly enterprising individuals – Indian's future business leaders – the opportunity to study a 1-year Master's at any UK university.

Global Education Management memorandum of understanding with Amity University School of Hospitality

British company Global Education Management Ltd (GEM) has signed a memorandum of understanding with Amity University School of Hospitality. This will mean more students moving in both directions to undertake internships and work experience in the hospitality industry. Ultimately, GEM estimates this will mean that it will bring around £250,000 more business with India every year, with greater benefits for both economies as the workforce becomes more adaptable and better trained.

Bournville College Centre of Excellence

Bournville College in the West Midlands will open a £500,000 Centre of Excellence in Kolkata at the end of the year to train local people in 'soft skills', technical education and healthcare.

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