

Global Organisation of People of Indian Origin

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Why is in news? Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board signs MoUs with chapters of eight countries of GOPIO

Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board signed MoUs with chapters of eight countries of the Global Organisation of People of Indian Origin (GOPIO) at the MP Tourism Pavilion of Brilliant Convention Centre in Indore at the 17th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas Convention.

These MoUs were signed with France Metropole Paris, Mauritius, Reunion Island, Martinique, Sri Lanka, GOPIO International, Malaysia, and Mauritius.

These MoUs have been executed with the aim of **boosting cooperation in the development of the Tourism sector** of the State, and promotion, and publicity of tourist places.

Global Organisation of People of Indian Origin:

Global Organization of People of Indian Origin (GOPIO) is an international network of people of Indian origin (PIO).

GOPIO was founded at the First Global Convention of People of Indian Origin in New York City in 1989.

The name GOPIO was adopted by the **Steering Committee** formed after the First Global Convention.

The initial thrust of GOPIO was fighting human rights violation against people of Indian origin.

Although this has been improved in the last decade, human rights violations continue to be a major issue for PIOs living outside India.

GOPIO has now set its priorities in pooling its resources, both financial and professional, for the benefit of PIOs, the countries they come from and India.