## **OUTGOING CULTURAL DELEGATIONS**

## **April 2015 – July 2015**

S.No.	Country	Name of the group	Dates	Purpose	Remarks
1.	France	09 travel grants to Kathakali group of Kalamandalam Balasubramanian, Kerala		For participation at the Kathakali nightlong performance being organized by the Centre Mandapa, France	
2.	Singapore	23- Travel grants to Kalakshetra group of Ms. Priyadarshini Govind, Tamil Nadu	10-13 April, 2015	To participate at the Annual Festival of Singapore India Fine Arts Society (SIFA)	
3.	France	Two travel grant to Shri Kaushik Bhattacharya, West Bengal	10-15 April, 2015	To give cultural performances at the invitation of Ganapati Association, Bordeaux, France	
4.	Cambodia	10-member Madhya Pradesh Folk group õNepanagar Jagrity Kala Kendraö led by Shri Mukesh Darbar, Madhya Pradesh	· ·	To participate in the International Youth Cultural Festival and the Annual Angkor Sankranta in Cambodia	
5.	Spain (15-20 April) Serbia (20 ó 23 April)	03-member Rudra Veena group led by Dr. Jayanta Kumar Das, West Bengal	15 ó 23 April, 2015	For participation at theö Cultural Weekö in Spain and to give cultural performances in Serbia	
6.	Singapore	10-member Theatre group of Amritsar Natak Kala Kendra led by Dr. Areet Kaur, Punjab	17-19 April, 2015	For participation at the Annual Baishakhi Mela in Singapore	

7.	Egypt (17 ó 25 April) Tunisia (26 ó 29 April) UAE (29 April ó 2 May) Kuwait (2 ó 6 May)	11-member Bhangra group õLok Rang Cultural Clubö led by Shri Sandeep Kumar Kheeva, Punjab	17 April ó 6 May, 2015	For participation at the International Festival of Drums and Traditional Arts in Cairo and to give cultural performances in other countries	
8.	Bhutan	4-member Rock Band group õSifarö led by Shri Amit Yadav, Delhi	17 ó 20 April, 2015	To perform during the celebrations of the Dantak Raising Day Celebrations	
9.	Mauritius	10 travel grants to All India Deaf arts and Cultural Society, Madhya Pradesh	23 ó 29 April, 2015	To give cultural performances at the invitation of Federation of Disabled People®s Organization, Mauritius	
10.	Seychelles (24-28 April) Zimbabwe(28April- 4May) Kenya(4 ó 8 May)	12-member Gujarati folk group õShree Vasuki Sanskrutiö led by Shri Yogesh Prabhudas Patdiya, Gujarat	24 April ó 8 May, 2015	For participation at the Harare International Festival of the Arts (HIFA) at Harare	
11.	Singapore	8-member Panchavadyam group led by Shri Balussery Krisnadas, Kerala	30 April-11 May, 2015	To perform for the opening of the Indian Heritage Centre (IHC) in Singapore	
12.	Russia	24-member Kathak group of KADAMB led by Ms. Kumudini Lakhia, Gujarat	09-13 May, 2015	To perform at the õNamaste Russiaö Festival	

13.	China (Shanghai)	5-member Rajasthani Music group led by Shri Yaar Mohd. Delhi	15 ó 17 May, 2015	To give cultural performance to coincide with the VVIP visit	
14.	Serbia	One travel grant to Ms. Rachael MacBean, Director, Rahales Little Theatre, West Bengal	15-24 May, 2015	To present a paper and to participate in an International Festival in Sbotica, Serbia	
15.	Serbia	05-member Puppet Theatre group ∹Katkathaø led by Ms. Anurupa Roy, Delhi	17-24 May, 2015	To participate at the 22 <sup>nd</sup> International Festival of Children¢s Theaters	
16.	Japan	04-member Violin group led by Shri R. Sridhar, Delhi	17 ó 24 May, 2015	To participate at the Commemorative Lecture Series at Todaji Temple	
17.	UAE (18-22 May) Beirut (22 ó 27 May) Algeria (27 May- 3 June)	04-member Puppet group of Nori Art and Puppetry Centre led by Ms. Ratnamala Nori, Andhra Pradesh	18 May 6 3 June, 2015	To give cultural performances	
18.	Sweden	Shri Durjay Bhowmik (Tabla) x 1, Delhi	20 ó 27 May, 2015	To perform at the õNamaste Stockholmö Festival	
19.	Tanzania (20 ó 26 May) Uganda (26 ó 28 May) South Africa (28 May ó 7 June) Mauritius (8 ó 10 June)	6-member Kuchipudi Dance group led by Ms. Prateeksha Kashi, Karnataka	20 May 6 10 June, 2015	To participate in the Phoenix Fair in South Africa and to give cultural performances in Mauritius under CEP	

20.	Trinidad & Tobago Georgetown	09-member UP Folk group õShri Ji Brij Mewat Lok Kala Manch Deegö led by Shri Jitendra Parashar, Uttar Pradesh	25 May 6 9 June, 2015	To participate at the Indian Arrival Day Function	
21.	Algeria	7-member Rajasthani Folk group Led by Ms. Gulabi Sapera, Rajasthan	25 May 6 2 June, 2015	To perform at the Algerian International Trade Fair	
22.	Sri Lanka	6-member Manipuri Dance group led by Shri Lokendrajeet Singh and Ms. Akhan Lakshmi Devi, Manipur	30 May 6 7 June, 2015	To give cultural performances in Kandy, Habantota and other cities of Sri Lanka	
23.	China (7-15 June) Hong Kong (15ó 17 June)	03-member Hindustani Classical Vocal group led by Shri Sarathi Chatterjee, Delhi	7 ó 17 June, 2015	For participation at the Chaiti Festival in Shanghai and to give cultural performances in Hong Kong	
24.	UK (10 ó 19 June) Bulgaria (19 June ó 1 July) Greece (1 ó 6 July)	5-member Kathak Dance group led by Ms. Swati Wangnoo Tiwari, Delhi	10 June ó 6 July, 2015	To participate at the Glasgow Mela in UK, to perform on the occasion of International Yoga Day in Bulgaria and to participate at the õBollywood and Multicultural Dance Festivalö in Athens	
25.	South Korea (11-14) China (Guangzhou) (14-23 June)	10-member Contemporary Dance group led by Ms. Ananda Shankar, Andhra Pradesh	11- 23 June, 2015	To participate in the Busan International Dance Festival in South Korea and China to participate at the India China Yoga Festival	

26.	Australia (17 ó 22 June) Indonesia (22-26 June) Philippines (26- 28June)	6-member Odissi Dance group led by Ms. Nandini Ghosal, West Bengal		To participate in the India@Mindil Festival in Perth, to participate in the Bali Art Jogjakarta Art Festival and Borobudhur International Festival in Indonesia and to give cultural performances in Philippines	
27.	Russia	10-mmember Chhau group of National Institute of Chhau and Folk Dances led by Shri Vivek Kishore, Delhi	21-28 June, 2015	To participate in the Russian Summer Festival and International Festival of Folklore and Trade in Russia	
28.	France	Four travel grants to Ms. Prasanna Ramaswamy (Theatre), Tamilnadu	24 ó 30 June, 2015	To give Dance Theatre Performances titled õRythme of Lightö	
29.	Brazil	One travel grant to Dr. Sucheta Bhide Chapekar (Bharatanatyam)	24 June ó 18 July, 2015	To participate at the Winter Festival in Brazil	
30.	Thailand	29-member Theatre group of Jnana Pravaha University, Uttar Pradesh	27-30 June, 2015	To give cultural performance during the World Sanskrit Conference in Thailand	
31.	Japan	Kala Utsav	June, 2015	The Council provided financial support as performance fees to the Japanese artists for Indian Classical Dance performances in Japan	

32.	Germany (3-6 July) Netherlands (06-10 July) Portugal (10-14 July)	3-member Sarod group led by Shri Basant Kabra, Rajasthan	3 ó 14 July, 2015	To participate at the Tanz and Folk Festival (TFF) Rudostadt 2015 in Germany and to give cultural performances in Netherlands and Portugal	
33.	Ecuador (07-20 July) Colombia (20-22 July) Panama (22-25 July)	8-member Rajasthani Folk group led by Shri Bundu Khan Langa (Rajasthan)	07 ó 25 July, 2015	To participate at the õDays of Indiaö in Guayaquil (Ecuador) and to give cultural performances in Colombia and Panama	
34.	Mozambique(14-17 July) Tanzania (17 ó 24 July) Uganda (24 ó 26 July) Rwanda (26 ó 28 July)	10-member Goan Folk group led by Shri Evaristo Cirilo Goes, Goa	14 ó 28 July, 2015	To participate at the Zanzibar International Film Festival in Zanzibar (Tanzania) and to give cultural performances in Mozambique, Uganda and Rwanda	
35.	Spain	02-member Santoor group led by Shri Sandeep Chatterjee (Chattopadhyay), West Bengal	15 ó 23 July, 2015	For participation at the 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Summer Courses of the Institute of Indology	for performance
36.	Bhutan	14-member Bhangra group of õRaising Star Youth Clubö led by Shri Harinder Pal Singh, Punjab	16-19 July 2015	To give cultural performances	The Council will pay only for performances fee

37.	Ireland (17-19 July) UK (19 -22 July) Belgium (22 ó 25 July) Italy (25 ó 27 July)	04-member Madras String Quartet (Carnatic Instrumental) led by Shri Narasimhan Varahakshethram Srinivasa, Tamilnadu	17 ó 27 July	To perform at the South Bank Centre at the invitation of Dhruv Arts in UK and to give cultural performances in Ireland, Belgium and Italy	
38.	Thailand	12-member Gujarati group õHalar Lok Kala Kendraö led by Shri Jayendrasinh Chandrasinh Jadeja, Gujarat	22 ó 26 July 2015	To perform during the celebrations of the 100 Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between Surat Thani in the Southern Part of Thailand and Surat, Gujarat	
39.	Jordan (24 ó 27 July) Palestine (27-29 July) Egypt(29 July- 4 August) Qatar (04 ó 07 August)	5-member Kathak Dance group led by Ms. Prachee Sudhir Shah, Maharashtra	24 July 6 07 August, 2015	To participate in the Jerash Festival, Jordan and to give cultural performances in Palestine, Egypt and Qatar	
40.	Suriname (26 ó 30 July) Trinidad & Tobago (30 July ó 05 August)	06-member Qawwali group led by Ms. Geeta Singh, Delhi	26 July 6 05 August 2015	To give cultural performances in Trinidad & Tobago and Suriname	
41.	France	06 travel grants to Shri Santanu Das õKalyani Kalamandalam ó Theatreö, West Bengal	26 July 6 31 August	To participate in the joint collaboration production with CREA (a theatre group of France) on the epic õRamayanaö	

42.	Iran	06-member Qawwai group õMajid Ikhlas Husain Qawwal Groupö - led by Shri Majid Husain, Uttar Pradesh	27 ó 31 July 2015	To participate in Indian Cultural Week in Iran	
43.	Australia	03 travel grants to Shri Kaivalyakumar (Hindustani Vocal), Maharashtra	29 July 6 12 August, 2015	To participate at the õSpirit of Indiaö Festival at the request of Natraj Cultural Centre	
44.	Australia	03 travel grants to Ms. Jayanthi Kumaresh (Veena), Karnakaka	29 July 6 08 August, 2015	To participate at the õSpirit of Indiaö Festival at the request of Natraj Cultural Centre	
45.	Mauritius (30 July 6 04 August) Reunion Island (05- 08 August) South Africa (08-14 August)	06-member Qawwali group õNizami Khusro Banduö led by Shri Saqlain Nizami, Delhi	30 July ó 14 August 2015	To give cultural performances in Mauritius and also in the region	
46.	Malaysia	6-member Bharatanatyam Dance group õEllora-Centre for Performing Artsö led by Ms. Rema Shrikant, Gujarat	30 July 6 04 August, 2015	To participate in the Annual Bharatanatyam Dance Festival	