

13th INTERNATIONAL ANGLO-INDIAN REUNION 2026



REUNION BROCHURE **FOR INTERNATIONAL DELEGATES**



Come back to familiar shores...

Invitation

Dear Fellow Anglo-Indians,

We once again would urge you to return to familiar shores in 2026 – Incredible India – with all that this entails – emotional attachment to sights, sounds, food, culture, camaraderie, family and friends, schools and roots – is again being offered to you in a one week package of Coming Home at REUNION 13 in Cochin now Kochi, Kerala, India.

Kerala is remembered as the point where the first Europeans landed on Indian shores and even today Kerala can account for the largest concentration of Anglo-Indians among the other Indian States. Cochin has always been a centre of Anglo-Indian culture and identity since the first settlements of the Europeans in India.

This Brochure gives a perspective of Programmes and Dates – Sunday 11th January, 2026 to Saturday 17th January, 2026.

Early January is the best time of the year to be in Cochin – the festive season still lingers, the weather is at its pleasant best and after the Reunion, it is still the best time to visit places in South India and the neighbourhood. These dates have also been chosen so that before the Reunion you will have time to spend Christmas and New Year with your families / friends in your old home towns across the country.

Anglo Indians from all over India and the Diaspora will find Cochin offering you the best of hospitality at affordable rates. The Reunion programme will broadly cater to all pockets – and nowhere else will you find the warmth and acceptance as in Cochin, India.

Come back to familiar shores in 2026

Dr. Charles Dias

President

The Federation of Anglo-Indian Associations in India



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Celebrating the land of our origin

There has been resurgence in celebrating Anglo-Indian culture in the 21st Century, in the form of the International Anglo-Indian Reunions. There have been twelve reunions with the latest being held in March 2024 in Canberra where the attendance was low and people expressed the desire to hold Reunions in India so that more people would be encouraged to attend.

Coming Home to India

India and more specifically Kochi would like to play host in the true Indian spirit to the 13th International Anglo-Indian Reunion in 2026.

Coming to India will be a pleasant experience, a tug at the heart strings, a walk down memory lane, a second home coming or a celebration of the memories of the era gone by but for all who do decide to make it to India it will be a visit to "Familiar shores".

Why Cochin now Kochi in India

Steeped in history of a bygone era Cochin was the first point of entry of those who came from Europe the then hub of the Portuguese and later Dutch and British trade now has a history and culture familiar to many an Anglo-Indians.

Kochi is a cosmopolitan city and the people are warm, friendly and very hospitable. They are tolerant and adaptable. The century old values of respect for elders, family traditions, customs and more... still form the basis of life and living.

The Federation Of Anglo-Indian Associations in India bid for and has been selected by the International Anglo-Indian Federation to host the 13th International Anglo-Indian Reunion in Kochi India in 2026 and it is with pride that an organising committee has been formed of prominent Anglo-Indians from the State of Kerala and a larger body from across the partners of the Federation to advise and give direction to the event.

Communication & Website

The Reunion website : A user friendly Reunion website www.faiai.org is up and running at least 18 months before the Reunion, web updates will be uploaded on a weekly basis and any communications to the organisers will need be sent to the email address. **angloindianreunion2026@gmail.com.**

The website capabilities will be enhanced to enable the booking process to be done online and e-tickets/invitation will be made available to printout.

Registration

All new registration would need to be done on line through the registration form on the website, this would need to be **done on an individual basis** as a unique registration no, will be generated which would be required for future communication, booking etc.

Sponsorship & Donations

It is expected that this event will attract sponsorship looking at its wide reach. **A commercial Invitation will be available on the website for sponsorships.**

Sightseeing and Tours

Immediately after the Reunion events we are arranging **trips to the Munnar hills and a houseboat trip in Alleppey backwaters**. Enjoy the unique experience of cool Munnar hills and picturesque coconut palms of Alleppey.

These will be available to those interested and the charges would not be included in the reunion packages.



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| PROGRAMME & PROPOSED DATES | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|--|---------|--|
| | Date | Time | Morning | Time | Evening |
| Day 1 | January 11, 2026 Sunday | | | 3.30 PM | Ecumenical Service |
| | | | | 5.30 PM | Formal Inauguration |
| | | | | 6.30 PM | Meet & Greet |
| Day 2 | January 12, 2026 Monday | 10.00 AM | Symposium In the Mosaic of Tomorrow | 4.00 PM | Heritage Walk around the historic Fort Cochin |
| | | | | 7.00 PM | Meeting the Community at Y.W.C.A Fort Cochin |
| Day 3 | January 13, 2026 Tuesday | 10.00 AM | Research Showcase | 4.30 PM | Walk at Marine Drive |
| | | 2.00 P.M. | Research Workshop | 7.00 PM | Talent Evening Anglo-Indian Food Festival & The Anglo-Indian Express |
| Day 4 | January 14, 2026 Wednesday | 10.00 AM | Round Table Discussion Our Footsteps in the India of Tomorrow | 5.30 PM | "One Moment in Time" A Musical Evening |
| | | 2.00 P.M. | Round Table Discussion Anglo-Indian Education A Care Initiative | | |
| Day 5 | January 15, 2026 Thursday | 10.00 AM | International AI Federation AGM | 5.30 PM | "On the Backwaters" Boat Cruise |
| Day 6 | January 16, 2026 Friday | | | 7.00 PM | Grand Ball |
| Day 7 | January 17, 2026 Saturday | 9.00 AM | "In God's Own Country" Visits to : Divine Retreat Centre Anglo-Indian Cultural Museum Athirapally Waterfalls Southern Engineering College | | |

| EXTRA SIGHTSEEING TRIPS | | | | | |
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| | Date | Time | | Time | Evening |
| Day 8 | January 18, 2026 Sunday | 10.00 AM | Day Trip to Alleppey Bus trip to Alleppey | 12.30 PM | Trip to Alleppey House Boat Cruise in Alleppey and return |
| Day 9 & 10 | January 19 & 20, 2026 Monday & Tuesday | 9.00 AM | Over Night Trip to Munnar 2 days and 1 night Bus trip to Munnar | 1.30 PM | Arrival in Munnar Sightseeing and over night stay at Resort |

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Proposed Venues

Day 1 : Ecumenical Service, Inauguration and Meet & Greet.

The Ecumenical Service is taking place at Infant Jesus Church, Ernakulam. This church is known as 'Anglo-Indian Church' as it was established by Anglo-Indians in 1822. Still, the parish priests are Anglo-Indians at this parish. Located close to Marine Drive and High Court of Kerala. **The Inauguration and Meet & Greet** are taking place at the Parish Hall close to the church.

Day 2 : Symposium / Heritage Walk and Meeting the Community.

The Symposium is planned at the Synod Hall of Aashirbhavan, Pastoral Centre of Archdiocese of Verapoly. Centrally located in a serene atmosphere with necessary arrangements to hold conferences. **The Heritage Walk** is being held at Fort Cochin, the most important place for Anglo-Indians in the country where the Portuguese, Dutch and British had their presence since 1500. The Walk begins from the Santa Cruz Basilica and then proceeds to Bishop's House, Heritage Museum Vasco da Gama Square, St. Francis's Church, Dutch Cemetery, Bastian Bungalow and then to Fort Cochin beach. **Meeting the Community** is being held at Fort Cochin, close to the historic Parade Ground and beach.

Day 3 : Writers' Research Showcase and Workshop / Walk at Marine Drive and Anglo-Indian Food Festival.

The Writers' Research Showcase and Workshop will be organised at the Aashirbhavan Synod Hall.

Walk at Marine Drive covers Kochi Metro Boat Jetty, Tourist Boat Jetty, Rainbow Bridge, Marine Drive Ground and walk up to Taj Vivanta.

Youth Talent Evening & Anglo-Indian Food Festival is arranged at Infant Jesus Parish Hall. With a special attraction of the Anglo-Indian Express.

Day 4 : Round Table Discussion / One Moment In Time

Round Table Discussion on issues facing our community (Our Footsteps in the India of Tomorrow and Anglo-Indian Education - A Care Initiative) will be the topic for this discussion.

An Evening Concert **One Moment in Time** will showcase Anglo-Indian Talent and promises to be an Evening of wholesome entertainment.

Day 5 : Federation AGM / On the Backwaters

The Federation AGM will be organised at Infant Jesus Parish Hall.

On the Boat Cruise the delegates will get an occasion to go to the sea-mouth of Cochin, Port of Cochin, the beautiful islands in Ernakulam backwaters, enjoy the time with music, dance and Kerala food in a luxury boat.

Day 6 : Grand Ball.

The Grand Ball is planned in the Bolgatty Convention Centre, close to the backwaters and with sea-mouth and Cochin Port right in the vicinity.

Day 7 : In God's Own Country

The Day Tour In God's Own Country covers the magnificent Periyar river, Southern College of Engineering, Divine Retreat Centre, Anglo-Indian Cultural & Historical Museum and Athirappilly Waterfalls. This will provide the delegates an occasion to see the various terrains of Kerala and finally the picturesque waterfalls about 80 KMs from Cochin.



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Accommodation

Cochin has witnessed tremendous growth and today, it is one of the major cities of India. There are lots of choices available. In fact, there is a complete plethora of places to stay in Cochin. Accommodation would be arranged and discounted rates negotiated for attendees to book online. This will be available from end January 2025 onwards.

Proposed Rates

The Reunion events would be priced to enable attendees to get the most from what they pay. **Special Packages would be on offer.** Attendees from India would be given special rates so as to make the Reunion accessible to everyone.

We are extremely grateful to all our overseas delegates who would be assisting us in making this Reunion accessible to more individuals, your delegate fee helps us bring more people to this Reunion.

The Estimated Costs (Approx) US\$ 500 Special Early Bird Package at only US \$ 450.

| EVENT RATES & PACKAGES | | | | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|--|--------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | | | | Event Rates in US \$ | | |
| | Date | Event Individual Event | | Individual Event | All Event Package | Early Bird Package |
| Day 1 | January 11, 2026 | Ecumenical Service | | | | |
| | | Formal Inauguration | Tea | | | |
| | | Meet & Greet | Dinner | \$70 | \$50 | Early Bird Package |
| Day 2 | January 12, 2026 | Symposium | Lunch | | | |
| | | Heritage Walk Meeting the Community | Dinner | \$80 | \$60 | Early Bird Package |
| Day 3 | January 13, 2026 | Research Showcase | Lunch | | | |
| | | Research Workshop | | | | |
| | | Walk at Marine Drive | | | | |
| | | Talent Evening & Anglo-Indian Food Festival | Dinner | \$60 | \$40 | Early Bird Package |
| Day 4 | January 14, 2026 | Round Table Discussion | Lunch | | | |
| | | "One Moment in Time" Musical Eve. | Dinner | \$90 | \$70 | Early Bird Package |
| Day 5 | January 15, 2026 | International Federation AGM | Tea | | | |
| | | "On the Backwaters" Boat Cruise | Dinner | \$110 | \$90 | Early Bird Package |
| Day 6 | January 16, 2026 | Grand Ball | Dinner | \$130 | \$110 | Early Bird Package |
| Day 7 | January 17, 2026 | "In God's Own Country" Day Trip | Lunch | \$100 | \$80 | Early Bird Package |
| | | TOTAL | | | \$500 | \$450 |

| EXTRA SIGHTSEEING TRIPS RATES | | | | | |
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| | | | Event Rates in US \$ | | |
| | Date | Event | Individual Event | All Event Package | Early Bird Package |
| | January 18, 2026 | Trip to Alleppey | \$100 | Not Included | Not Included |
| | January 19 & 20, 2026 | Over Night Trip to Munnar 2 days and 1 night | \$180 | Not Included | Not Included |

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Booking of Events

Booking of events for those who wish to attend all the Reunion Events is now open and may be availed by using the delegate fee booking form available on the website. Please follow the direction provided on the form so as to book yourself for all the Reunion Events. A special Early Bird Package will be available for those who complete their bookings before June 2025. **Last Date for the Early Bird offer would be 30th June 2025.**

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Transportation Cost :

A nominal **Transportation Cost for all the days of the Reunion will be charged @US\$ 40 per attendee** and may be paid along with Participation Registration Fee.

Payment Mode :

Please use the delegate booking form to book your package and confirm your participation.

OPTION 1 :

BANK TRANSFER The Amount may be sent via bank transfer to the following account :

"THE FEDERATION OF ANGLO-INDIAN ASSOCIATIONS IN INDIA REUNION 2026"

Account Number : 13750200047079

Federal Bank Limited (Ernakulam Marine Drive Branch)

Swift Code - FDRLINBBIBD

IFSC Code - FDRL0001375

OR

"THE FEDERATION OF ANGLO-INDIAN ASSOCIATIONS IN INDIA"

Account Number : 110203163047

Canara Bank (Frazer Town Branch) Bangalore

Swift Code - CNRBINBBBFD

IFSC Code - CNRB0000407

Please Note :

If you are making a Bank Transfer please send a scanned copy of the transfer advice and a scanned copy of your booking form to the following **e-mail address : angloindianreunion2026@gmail.com.**

All transfers must be Bank to Bank transfers. Transfers from other financial institutions are sometimes difficult to identify / trace.

A single bank transfer may be made for multiple persons. The transfer advice must be attached to the individual forms.

OPTION 2 :

DEMAND DRAFT / PAY ORDER of the Total cost of Reunion Events would need to be made out in the name of **"THE FEDERATION OF ANGLO-INDIAN ASSOCIATIONS IN INDIA"**, and sent to the REUNION Office.

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Proposed Time Line

| PROJECTED TIME | EXPECTED ACTIVITY |
|--------------------------|--|
| April - May 2024 | Preparatory Meeting and identifying potential venues/hotels. |
| June - July 2024 | Website with information online. |
| August - September 2024 | Online Registration begins |
| November - December 2024 | Packages and Event Rates to be announced. |
| November - December 2024 | Comercial Sponsorship opportunities to be released Final Programme to be released |
| January - 2025 | Booking with Early Bird offer begins. |
| January - March 2025 | Negotiated Hotel and Stay options available online. |
| April - 2025 | Call for Papers for the Research Showcase and Research Workshop |
| June - 2025 | Special Package for Youth to be announced. |
| June - 2025 | Early Bird Offer ends and normal package and Event rates will be available. |
| October - 2025 | Event passes and online conformation letters to be issued. |
| November - 2025 | Booking of Event Packages close. |



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