

**Government of India (Bharat Sarkar)
Ministry of Railways (Rail Mantralaya)
Railway Board**

Rail Bhawan, New Delhi, dated 13/11/2013

No.E(G)2013 CL 4-5

The General Managers,
All Indian Railways and
Production Units etc.

Sub: Observance of Quami Ekta Week (National Integration Week) from 19th November to 25th November, 2013.


A copy of DO Letter No.I/19034/5/2013-NI.II dated 11/11/2013 alongwith its enclosures from Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde, Hon'ble Home Minister, Government of India on the above noted subject, is sent herewith for guidance and compliance.

The National Integration Pledge may be taken on 19th November, 2013. The bilingual text of the pledge is enclosed. The copy of the logo of National Integration enclosed herewith may also be prominently displayed on hoardings etc. for effective and wide publicity during the week.

Board desire that all possible steps be taken at your end for observance of Quami Ekta Week as per the programmes as indicated in the Annexure of the enclosed DO letter and it may be ensured that it becomes a grand success as in the past.

Please acknowledge receipt.

DA: As above


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सुशीलकुमार शिंदे
SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE

11 NOV 2013

Dear Shri Kharge Ji,

With a view to foster and reinforce the spirit of Communal Harmony, National Integration and pride in our vibrant composite culture and nationhood, the "Qaumi Ekta Week" (National Integration Week) will be observed all over the country, this year also, from the 19th to 25th of November, 2013.

This occasion provides us an opportunity to reaffirm our age old traditions and faith in the values of tolerance, co-existence and brotherhood in a multi-cultural and multi-religious society. The observation of the "Qaumi Ekta Week" will also help to highlight the inherent strength and resilience of our nation to withstand actual and potential threats to the eclectic and secular fabric of our country, and nurture a spirit of communal harmony in its widest sense.

I, therefore, request you to give appropriate directions and guidance to all concerned so that the "Qaumi Ekta Week" could be organised and celebrated by the Ministry in a befitting manner. The programmes may be given due publicity and organised in a manner that would include and involve participation of people from all walks of society, so that the message of Communal Harmony and National Integration could permeate every part of the State and the society. I feel that this should be an occasion to articulate loudly and clearly, the sentiment that our nation will not countenance any force that seek to divide our society or threaten our rich composite cultural ethos. An indicative list of suggested programmes is enclosed.

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The National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH), an autonomous organization with the Ministry of Home Affairs, also organizes Communal Harmony Campaign coinciding with the Qaumi Ekta Week and observes the Flag Day on 25th November, which needs wide publicity and your support. The Foundation promotes Communal Harmony and strengthens National Integration. It also provides financial assistance for relief and rehabilitation of children rendered orphan or destitute in communal, caste, ethnic or terrorist violence. These programmes may also be supported.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Sushilkumar Shinde)

Shri Mallikarjun Kharge,
Minister of Railways,
Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

Encls : Programme to be observed
National Integration Pledge,
National Integration Logo.

BCC: N. A. P. S.

राष्ट्रीय अखण्डता शपथ

“मैं सत्यनिष्ठा से प्रतिज्ञा करता/करती हूँ कि देश की आजादी तथा अखंडता बनाए रखने और उसे मजबूत करने के लिए समर्पित होकर कार्य करूँगा/करूँगी” ।

“मैं यह भी प्रतिज्ञा करता/करती हूँ कि कभी हिंसा का सहारा नहीं लूँगा/लूँगी तथा धर्म, भाषा, क्षेत्र से संबंधित भेदभाव और झगडों और अन्य राजनैतिक या आर्थिक शिकायतों का निपटारा शांतिपूर्ण तथा संवैधानिक तरीकों से करने के लिए प्रयास करता/करती रहूँगा/रहूँगी” ।

NATIONAL INTEGRATION PLEDGE

“I solemnly pledge to work with dedication to preserve and strengthen the freedom and integrity of the nation.”

“I further affirm that I shall never resort to violence and that I will continue to endeavour towards settlement of all differences and disputes relating to religion, language, region or other political or economic grievances by peaceful and constitutional means.”

19 नवम्बर से 25 नवम्बर, 2013 तक कौमी एकता सप्ताह (राष्ट्रीय अखण्डता सप्ताह) के दौरान आयोजित किए जाने वाले कार्यक्रम

19 नवम्बर : राष्ट्रीय अखण्डता दिवस

धर्म निरपेक्षता, साम्प्रदायिकता-विरोधी और अहिंसा संबंधी विषयों को महत्व देने के लिए बैठके, विचार-गोष्ठियां और सेमिनार आयोजित किए जाएं ।

20 नवम्बर : अल्पसंख्यक कल्याण दिवस

प्रधान मंत्री के 15 सूत्रीय अल्पसंख्यकों के कार्यक्रम की बातों पर जोर दिया जाए। दंगा संभावित शहरों में भाई-चारा बढ़ाने के लिए विशेष जुलुस निकाले जाएं ।

21 नवम्बर : भाषाई सद्भावना दिवस

विशेष साहित्यिक समारोहों और कवि सम्मेलनों का आयोजन किया जाए ताकि भारत में प्रत्येक क्षेत्र के लोग एक-दूसरे की भाषाई धरोहर को समझ सकें ।

22 नवम्बर : कमजोर वर्ग दिवस

विभिन्न सरकारी कार्यक्रमों के तहत अनुसूचित जाति और अनुसूचित जनजाति तथा कमजोर वर्ग के लोगों की सहायता करने वाली मर्दों का प्रचार-प्रसार करने के लिए बैठकें और रैलियां आयोजित की जाएं और अतिवृत्त जमीन, भूमिहीन मजदूरों को आबंटित करने पर जोर दिया जाएं ।

23 नवम्बर : सांस्कृतिक एकता दिवस

"विविधता में एकता" की भारतीय परम्परा को प्रस्तुत करने और सांस्कृतिक संरक्षण तथा अखण्डता को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सांस्कृतिक समारोहों का आयोजन किया जाएं ।

24 नवम्बर : महिला दिवस

भारतीय समाज में महिलाओं के महत्व और राष्ट्र निर्माण में उनकी भूमिका को उजागर किया जाए ।

25 नवम्बर : संरक्षण दिवस

पर्यावरण को सुरक्षित रखने के प्रति जागरूकता बढ़ाने की आवश्यकता पर बल देने के लिए बैठकें और समारोहों का आयोजन किया जाएं ।

ANNEXURE

PROGRAMMES TO BE OBSERVED DURING QAUMI EKTA WEEK
(NATIONAL INTEGRATION WEEK FROM 19TH TO 25TH NOVEMBER, 2013)

19TH NOVEMBER (Tuesday) NATIONAL INTEGRATION DAY

Meetings, symposia and seminars are held to emphasize the themes of secularism, anti-communalism and non-violence.

20TH NOVEMBER (Wednesday) WELFARE OF MINORITIES DAY

Items of the 15 Point Programme are emphasized. In riot prone towns, special fraternal processions are taken out.

21ST NOVEMBER (Thursday) LINGUISTIC HARMONY DAY

Special literary functions and Kavi Sammelans are organised to enable people of each region to appreciate the linguistic heritage of other parts of India.

22ND NOVEMBER (Friday) WEAKER SECTIONS DAY

Meetings and rallies are organised to highlight items under various Government programmes which help SC & ST persons and weaker sections with particular emphasis on the distribution of surplus land to landless labourers.

23RD NOVEMBER (Saturday) CULTURAL UNITY DAY

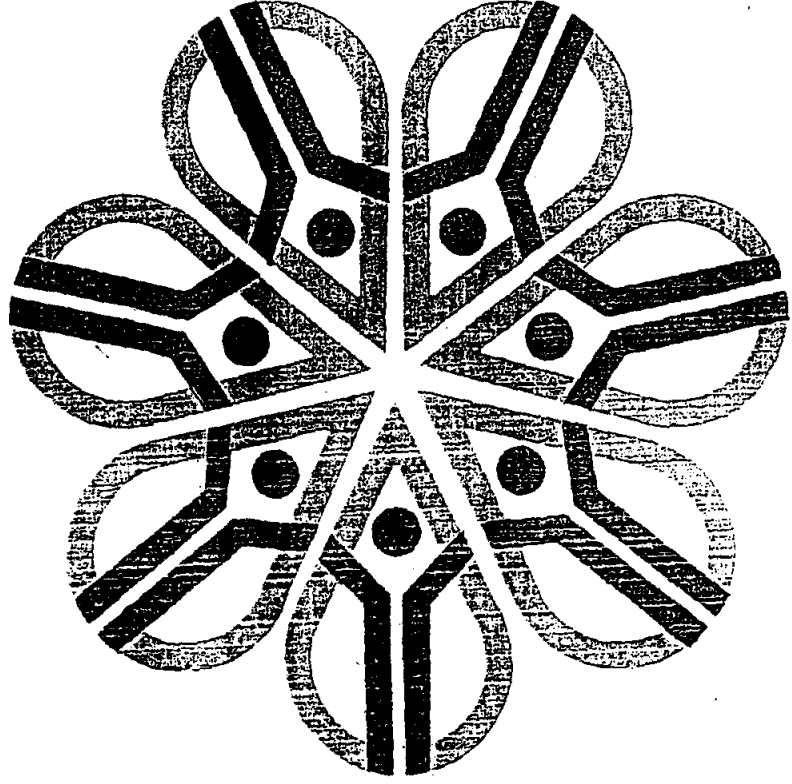
Cultural functions are organised to present the Indian tradition of unity in diversity and for promoting cultural conservation and integration.

24TH NOVEMBER (Sunday) WOMEN'S DAY

The importance of Women in Indian Society and their role in development of nation-building are highlighted.

25TH NOVEMBER (Monday) CONSERVATION DAY

Meetings and functions are organised to emphasise the growing need for awareness and action to conserve the environment.



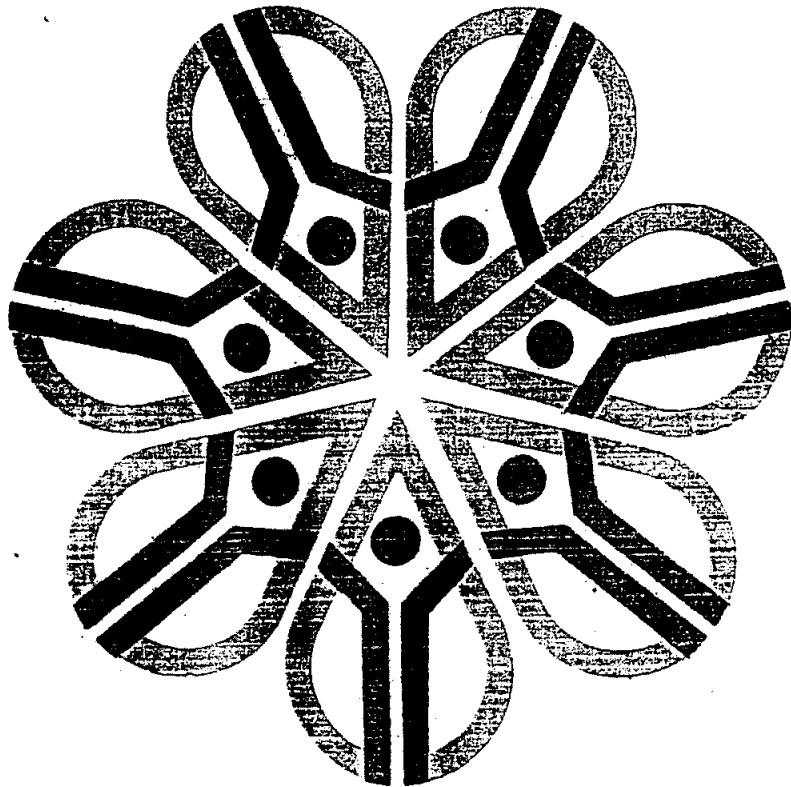
राष्ट्रीय एकता

संकल्पना

राष्ट्रीय एकता के इस चिन्ह में ग्राफीय तरीके से गूढ़ मानवीय प्रतीकों को एक वृत्त में हाथ मिलाते हुए दिखाया गया है। इन मानवीय प्रतीकों को एक पुष्प की सात पंखुड़ियों के ऊपर रखा हुआ दिखाया गया है। जिससे प्रकृति एवं मानव के बीच सद्भाव झलकता है।

दो मूल आकृतियों की पुनरावृत्ति गति व लय का सृजन करती हैं और "एकता" के मूल भाव को अभिव्यक्त करती हैं। केसरिया और हरे रंग के बीच लफेद रंग राष्ट्रीय ध्वज का प्रतीक है।

विनय सरकार द्वारा अभिकल्पित



NATIONAL INTEGRATION

The Concept

This symbol for National Integration uses graphically stylized human elements joining hands in a circle.

The circle of human elements is super-imposed on seven petals of a flower to symbolize harmony between nature and human beings.

The repetition of the two motifs creates movement and rhythm, and expresses the essence of the idea of unity - Ekta.

The colours are orange and green against white to symbolize the National Flag.

Designed by : Benoy Sarkar