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

No. E(G)2014 CL 4-3

New Delhi, dated 1-8-2014

The General Manager,
All Indian Railways
(including Production Units)

Sub: Observance of “Sadbhavana Diwas” on 20th August, 2014 and “Communal Harmony Fortnight” beginning from 20th August to 3rd September 2014.

As you are aware, 20th August - the birth anniversary of late Prime Minister of India Shri Rajiv Gandhi is observed as “Sadbhavana Diwas” nationwide every year. The theme of Sadbhavana is to promote national integration and communal harmony among people of all religions, languages and regions. The idea behind observance of Sadbhavana Diwas is to eschew violence and to promote goodwill among the people. To promote this idea further, the fortnight beginning from 20th August to 3rd September is observed as “Communal Harmony Fortnight” every year.

2. An appropriate function may be organized on 20th August, 2014 in which all employees may be associated and “Sadbhavana Pledge” be administered. The text of the Pledge is enclosed.

3. Further, appropriate events may also be organized during the Communal Harmony Fortnight with a view to spreading the message of Sadbhavana and Communal Harmony.

4. Railways are requested to acknowledge receipt of this letter and also send a report on the actual observance of the “Communal Harmony Fortnight and Sadbhavana Diwas” in due course.

DA: As above.

(D. Joseph)
Dy. Dir. Estt. (Gen.L.)
Railway Board
No. F. 28-22/2014-NPYAD
Government of India
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
Department of Youth Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated the 16th June, 2014.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Observance of “Sadbhavana Diwas” on August 20, 2014.

The birth anniversary of late Prime Minister of India Shri Rajiv Gandhi on 20th August is observed as “Sadbhavana Diwas” nation-wide every year. The theme of Sadbhavana is to promote National Integration and Communal Harmony among people of all religions, languages and regions. The idea behind observance of “Sadbhavana Diwas” is to eschew violence and to promote goodwill among the people. To promote this idea further, the fortnight beginning from 20th August to 3rd September 2014 is observed as “Communal Harmony Fortnight” every year.

This year, the Sadbhavana Pledge taking ceremony may be observed on 20th August, 2014. An appropriate function may be organized in which all employees of the Ministry/Department/Organisation be associated and “Sadbhavana Pledge” be administered. The text of the pledge is given over-leaf.

Further, appropriate events may also be organized during the Communal Harmony Fortnight by the Ministries/Departments including organizations under their administrative control with a view to spreading the message of Sadbhavana and Communal Harmony.

It is requested that necessary steps may be initiated immediately and details of the programmes organized in this regard be intimated to this Ministry.

(S. L. Meena)
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

Encl.: Text of Sadbhavana Pledge (over-leaf)

To
Union Ministries/Departments, State Governments etc.
(As per list)

[Signature] [Note: Incomplete]}
सहभावना दिवस प्रतिज्ञा

मैं प्रतिज्ञा करता/करती हूँ कि मैं जाति, सम्प्रदाय, क्षेत्र, धर्म, अथवा भाषा का भेदभाव किए बिना सभी भारतवासियों की भावनात्मक एकता और सहभावना के लिए कार्य करूंगा/करूंगी। मैं पुनः प्रतिज्ञा करता/करती हूँ कि मैं हिंसा का सहारा लिए बिना सभी प्रकार के समस्याओं के सामने बातचीत और संवेदनशीलता से सुलझाऊंगा/सुलझाऊंगी।

SADBHAVANA DAY PLEDGE

I take this solemn pledge that I will work for the emotional oneness and harmony of all the people of India regardless of caste, region, religion or language. I further pledge that I shall resolve all differences among us through dialogue and constitutional means without resorting to violence.