

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA भारत सरकार**  
**MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS रेल मंत्रालय**  
**RAILWAY BOARD रेलवे बोर्ड**

No.E(G)2016 CL 4-6

Rail Bhawan, New Delhi, dated :17.11.2016

The General Managers,  
All Zonal Railways,  
Production Units & PSUs etc.


**Sub : Observance of Qaumi Ekta Week (National Integration Week) from 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 to 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.**

A copy of DO letter No. I-19034/04/2016-NI-II dated 28/10/2016 alongwith its enclosures from Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Home Minister, Government of India addressed to Hon'ble MR on the above noted subject, is sent herewith for guidance and compliance.

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

Please acknowledge receipt.

DA: As above

  
(D. Joseph)  
Dy. Director/Estt.(Genl.)

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RAJNATH SINGH



S. No. 119 गृह मंत्री  
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HOME MINISTER  
INDIA  
NEW DELHI-110001

Dear Shri Suresh Ji Prabhu,

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 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2016.

2. 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.

3. I, therefore, request you to give appropriate directions and guidance to all concerned so that the "Qaumi Ekta Week" could be organised and celebrated in a befitting manner. The programmes may be given due publicity and organized 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 forces that seek to divide our society or threaten our rich composite cultural ethos. A list indicating suggested programmes is enclosed.

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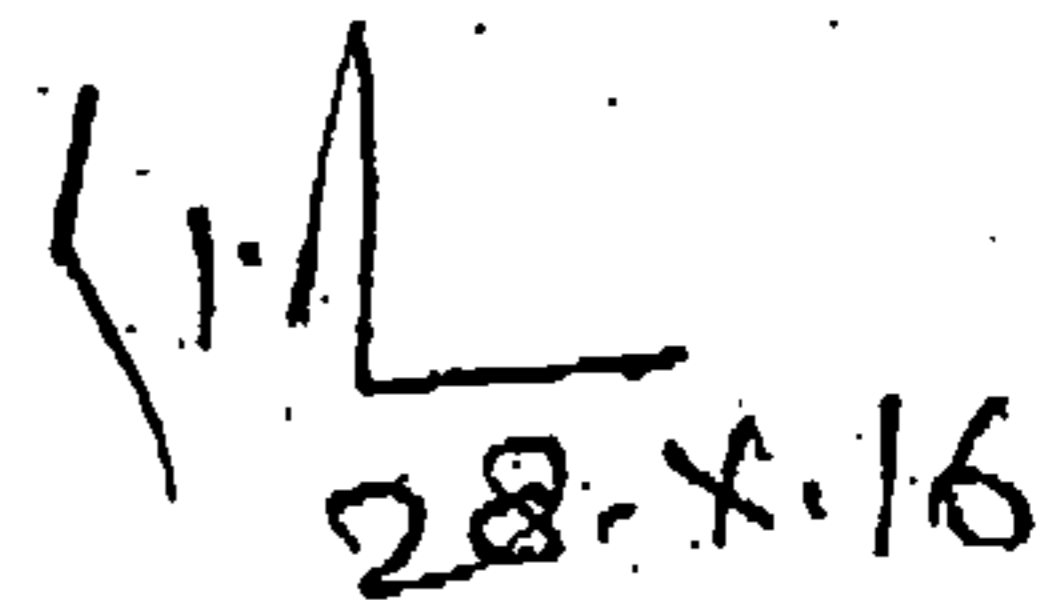
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4. The National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH), an autonomous organization with the Ministry of Home Affairs, also organizes a Communal Harmony Campaign coinciding with the **Qaumi Ekta Week** and observes the Communal Harmony Flag Day on 25<sup>th</sup> 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



**(Rajnath Singh)**

**Encl: Programme Sheet**

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Spoken to Mr. Reena Chakr,  
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**PROGRAMMES TO BE OBSERVED DURING QAUMI-EKTA WEEK  
(NATIONAL INTEGRATION WEEK) FROM 19<sup>TH</sup> TO 25<sup>TH</sup>  
NOVEMBER, 2016**

**19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Saturday) NATIONAL INTEGRATION DAY**

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

**20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Sunday) WELFARE OF MINORITIES DAY**

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

**21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER (Monday) 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.

**22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER (Tuesday) WEAKER SECTIONS DAY**

Meetings and rallies are organized to highlight programmes under various Government which help SCs/ STs and weaker sections with particular emphasis on the distribution of surplus land to landless labourers.

**23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER (Wednesday) CULTURAL UNITY DAY**

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

**24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Thursday) WOMEN'S DAY**

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

**25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Friday) CONSERVATION DAY**

Meetings and functions are organized to emphasize the growing need for awareness and action to conserve the environment.

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