GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAILWAY BOARD

No.E(G)2017/CL 4-8

New Delhi, dated 26.09.2017

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

Sub: Observance of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on 31st October, 2017 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Please find enclosed a copy of D.O. letter No. I-19034/01/2017-NI-II dated 11th July, 2017 along with its enclosures received from Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Home Minister of India, addressed to former Hon'ble MR on the above subject, for information and compliance.

DA: As above

(D. Joseph)
Dy. Director/Estt.(Genl.)
Railway Board
The Government observes 31\textsuperscript{st} October all over the country as a day of special occasion, to foster and reinforce our dedication to preserve and strengthen unity, integrity and security of our nation, by celebrating it as Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

2. The occasion provides us an opportunity to re-affirm the inherent strength and resilience of our nation to withstand the actual and potential threats to the unity, integrity and security of our country.

3. I, therefore, request you to give appropriate directions and guidance to all concerned so that the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) could be organized and celebrated in a befitting manner on 31\textsuperscript{st} October, 2017. A Pledge taking ceremony may be organized to mark the occasion. The bi-lingual text of the "Rashtriya Ekta Diwas" Pledge is enclosed.

4. A "Run for Unity" may also be organized at the State/District Headquarters, involving people from all sections of the society, so that a message of national unity permeates to every part of the nation and the society.

5. In order to boost sentiments that our nation will not countenance any force that seeks to threaten the unity, integrity and security of our nation, a March Past is proposed to be organized in the evening of 31\textsuperscript{st} October.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

(Rajnath Singh)

Encl: as above.

Shri Suresh Prabhu
Minister of Railways
Government of India,
Rail Bhavan,
New Delhi-110 001.
राष्ट्रीय एकता दिवस शपथ

मैं सत्यनिष्ठा से शपथ लेता हूँ कि मैं राष्ट्र की एकता, अखंडता और सुरक्षा को बनाए रखने के लिए स्वयं को समर्पित करूँगा और अपने देशवासियों के बीच यह संदेश फैलाने का भी क्षमता प्रदान करूँगा। मैं यह शपथ अपने देश की एकता की भावना से ले रहा हूँ जिसे सरदार वल्लभभाई पटेल की दृष्टिगति एवं कार्यों द्वारा संबंधित बनाया आ गया। मैं अपने देश की आंतरिक सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित करने के लिए अपना योगदान करने का भी सत्यनिष्ठा से संकल्प करता हूँ।

RASHTRIYA EKTA DIWAS PLEDGE

I solemnly pledge that I dedicate myself to preserve the unity, integrity and security of the nation and also strive hard to spread this message among my fellow countrymen. I take this pledge in the spirit of unification of my country which was made possible by the vision and actions of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. I also solemnly resolve to make my own contribution to ensure internal security of my country.