

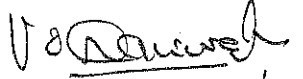
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In order to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel "Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day)" will be observed on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2015 (Saturday). Since 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2015 falls on a Saturday, a Pledge Taking Ceremony is to be organized on **30<sup>th</sup> October, 2015**. The bi-lingual text of the "Rashtriya Ekta Diswas Pledge" may be seen overleaf. A D.O. No. I-19034/4/2015-NI-II dated 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 received from the Home Secretary, Govt. of India on the subject is being uploaded on the ICAR web-site [www.icar.org.in](http://www.icar.org.in) and e-office for information, guidance and compliance.

  
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24<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

D.O. No.I-19034/4/2015-NI-II

Dear Secretary,

It has been decided to observe the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel as "Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day)" on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2015. This 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.

2. The Home Minister has already written to your Minister in this regard. A copy of the self-explanatory letter is enclosed.

3. It is requested that action may be taken accordingly please.

With regards,

Yours/sincerely,

(Rajiv Mehrishi)

Dr. S. Ayyappan,  
Secretary,  
Department of Agricultural Research & Education,  
✓ Ministry of Agriculture,  
Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.

Encl: As above.

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RAJNATH SINGH



गृह मंत्री  
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HOME MINISTER  
INDIA  
NEW DELHI-110001

Dear

With a view to foster and reinforce our dedication to preserve and strengthen unity, integrity and security of our nation, Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) will be observed all over the country on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2015 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.

4. A Pledge taking ceremony may be organized. The bi-lingual text of the "**Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge**" is enclosed. As 31<sup>st</sup> October this year falls on a Saturday, the Pledge Taking Ceremony may be organized on the day prior, that is on 30<sup>th</sup> October at the time of closing of the offices/institutions concerned.

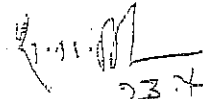
5. A "Run for Unity" may be organized at the State/District Headquarters, involving people from all sections of the society, so that a message of national unity could permeate every part of the nation and the society.

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6. In order to boost the sentiments that our nation will not countenance any force that seeks to threaten the unity, integrity and security of our nation, a ceremonial parade including a March Past may also be held in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> October by the Police and the Para-military Force personnel.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

  
23.10.15  
(Rajnath Singh)

Encl: as above.

All Ministers in Union Government  
Chief Ministers of all State Governments  
(As per list attached)

## 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 भरसक प्रयत्न करूँगा। मैं यह शपथ अपने देश की एकता की भावना से ले रहा हूँ जिसे सरदार वल्लभभाई पटेल की दूरदर्शिता एवं कार्यों द्वारा संभव बनाया जा सका। 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.