

## अखिल भारतीय तकनीकी शिक्षा परिषद् ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION

(भारत सरकार का एक सांविधिक निकाय) (A STATUTORY BODY OF THE GOVT, OF INDIA)

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22nd October 2014

Dr. S.S. Mantha Chairman

Dear Principal / Director

Sub: Sardar Patel's Birth Anniversary (31st October 2014): Spreading the message of Unity, Safety and Security

As you are aware 31st October 2014 is Sardar Patel's Birth Anniversary. Government observes this as the "Rashtriya Ekta Diwas" (National Unity Day): We are all aware of his contribution to India's Unity, Safety and Security. As a mark of honour for his contribution in these spheres, I would like to request you to organise events on 31st October, 2014, to spread message of Unity, Safety and Security. AICTE approved Colleges and University Departments play a vital role in building public opinion and in conveying important National messages to the wider civil society.

This occasion provides us an opportunity to reaffirm the inherent strength and resilience of our Nation to withstand the actual and potential threats to the unity, integrity and security of our Country. Students of AICTE approved Colleges and University Departments may be administered the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas pledges (Copies enclosed) to motivate them to strive to maintain Unity and integrity of the Country. The program may conclude with collective singing the National Anthem.

The illustrative list of activities that may be taken up to 31st October are as follows:

- 1. A run for unity can be organised where students of smaller outfits can join in. A coordinator for the institution can be appointed for the purpose.
- 2. A panel discussion in the college / Institute/ University Department on the contribution of Sardar Patel to National unity, safety and security
- 3. Debate competition among college students on aspects of National security, safety and unity
- There can be March past of NCC
- 5. The National Service Scheme and National Cadet Corps students could use this occasion to demonstrate their skills in promoting unity, safety and security in the respective institution premises.

- Organise pictorial exhibition on the contribution of Sardar Patel in the building of India especially with regard to its unity, safety and security, could be organised in institutions.
- Libraries in your institutions could publicise the works on Sardar Patel and by Sardar Patel prominently displaying his writings and writings about him for a fortnight starting 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014.
- Institutions may like to screen the documentary film of Sardar Patel by Doordarshan to familiarise the students with the contribution made by him to National unity, safety and security.

The above list is illustrative. I am sure institutions could think of many other possibilities to spread the message of Unity, Safety and Security on the occasion of Sardar Patel's Birth Anniversary. I would request each one of you for a sincere effort to promote these ideals in your institution.

A line in compliance of the above will be appreciated.

Yours Sincerely

Maretra r. S.S. Mantha

RASHTIYA 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 late Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. I also solemnly resolve to make my own contribution to ensure internal security of my Country

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## राष्ट्रीय एकता दिवस शपथ

मैं सत्यनिष्ठा से शपथ लेता हूं कि मैं राष्ट्र की एकता, अखंडता और सुरक्षा को बनाए रखने के लिए स्वयं को समर्पित करूंगा और अपने देशवासियों के बीच यह संदेश फैलाने का भी भरसक प्रयत्न करूंगा। मैं यह शपथ अपने देश की एकता की भावना से ले रहा हूं जिसे स्वर्गीय सरदार वल्लभ भाई 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।

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