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Report on Celebration of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) – 2025 on 31.10.2025

“Manpower without Unity is not a strength unless it is harmonized and united properly, then it becomes a spiritual power” - *Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel*

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) is celebrated on the 31st. of October every year to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the first Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister of India. By celebrating the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on 31st. day of October every Year, we celebrate the Legacy of Unity and Integrity as envisioned by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

The day was first celebrated in 2014, following a declaration by the Government of India to honour and celebrate Sardar Patel’s remarkable contribution to nation-building. Following this, during the Rashtriya Ekta Divas held on 31st. October, 2015 Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi announced the initiative ‘Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat’ for sustained and structured connect between people of different regions of the country for an enhanced understanding and bonding between them. More than ten Central Ministries, State Governments, Schools, Colleges and Youth Organisations have since been celebrating through various activities to promote such bonding between people from different parts of the country.

This year’s celebration of the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas is particularly special as it marks the 150th. Birth Anniversary of Shri Sardar Patel.

India’s first Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Home Affairs, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel played a crucial role in the national integration process following independence in 1947. He was tasked with unifying over 560 Princely States - covering nearly 40 Per Cent of India’s territory and population—into the Union of India. Under the Indian Independence Act, rulers of the Princely States were given the option to decide whether they wanted to accede to India or Pakistan or neither. Sardar Patel employed a combination of diplomatic negotiations, persuasion, and, where necessary, firm administrative measures to prevent balkanisation. Through the States Department he led, Sardar Patel successfully integrated these States by August 15th., 1947, or shortly thereafter, ensuring the territorial integrity of modern India. His efforts averted potential fragmentation and laid the foundation for a united democratic republic. It was the decisive leadership of this “Iron Man’ that ensured internal stability as the country went through its tumultuous partition period. He also created the All-India Services as the “Steel Frame” that would continue to protect the country’s unity and integrity.

Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Birbhum organized the celebration of **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) – 2025 on 31.10.2025** by reading the “Ēkta Pledge / Unity Pledge” by all the Staff Members of Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra along with 35 Numbers (Male Students – 26 Numbers and Female – 9 Numbers) of the 2nd. Batch Students of the Rural Agricultural Work Experience (RAWE) Course of the 7th. Semester B. Sc.

Honours Agriculture Course of the SEACOM SKILLS UNIVERSITY, Birbhum, West Bengal. The Programme was initiated and conducted by Dr. Subrata Mandal, Senior Scientist and Head, Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati along with Dr. Madhuchhanda Khan, Subject Matter Specialist (Animal Science), Dr. Soustav Datta, Subject Matter Specialist (Horticulture), Shri Asim Kumar Giri, Subject Matter Specialist (Fishery), Shri Suraj Kumar Bhakta, Programme Assistant (Computer Programmer) and all other Staffs of Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati.

Dr. Soustav Datta, Subject Matter Specialist (Horticulture) and Shri Asim Kumar Giri, Subject Matter Specialist (Fishery), Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati organized a Unity March by involving 35 Numbers (Male Students – 26 Numbers and Female – 9 Numbers) of the 2nd. Batch Students of the Rural Agricultural Work Experience (RAWE) Course of the 7th. Semester B. Sc. Honours Agriculture Course of the SEACOM SKILLS UNIVERSITY, Birbhum, West Bengal under “Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat” (EBSB) initiative, as **announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 31st. October, 2015 during Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel’s 140th. Birth Anniversary**, embodies Sardar Patel’s vision of a United India.

Senior Scientist and Head, Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati along with other Staffs explaining the Importance the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) – 2025 on 31.10.2025 at the Seminar Hall, Rathindra KVK, Visva-Bharati



Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati Staff taking Unity Pledge on the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) – 2025 on 31.10.2025 at the Seminar Hall, Rathindra KVK, Visva-Bharati



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