F.No.O-21030/01/2017-COOrd  
Government of India  
Ministry of Finance  
Department of Revenue  

New Delhi, dated 8th August, 2017  

OFFICE MEMORANDUM  

Subject: Observance of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on 31st October, 2017 - reg.

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of Home Secretary's D.O. No. I-19034/01/2017-NI-II dated 20th July, 2017 on the above mentioned subject for information and further necessary action.

Encl: As above

(Narendra Kumar)  
Under Secretary(Coord)  
Telefax No. : 23095539

1. Chairperson, CBEC  
2. Chairperson, CBDT  
3. Director, Enforcement Directorate  
4. Director, FIU-IND  
5. DG, CEIB  
6. Deputy Secretary(Admn), Revenue Hqrs  
7. Deputy Secretary(Hqrs), Revenue Hqrs  
8. Deputy Secretary(NC), Revenue Hqrs

Copy to:  
4. Commissioner(Coord.), CBEC  
2. Commissioner(Coord.), CBDT  
3. US(GAR), Revenue Hqrs
Dear Secretary,

It has been decided to observe the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel as “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day)” on 31st October, 2017. 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 Union Home Minister has already written to the Minister/Chief Minister in this regard. A copy of the letter is enclosed herewith.

3. I request you to issue appropriate directions to all concerned to follow the details i.e., Pledge Ceremony, Run for Unity and March Past as advised in the said letter of the Union Home Minister.

Encl. as above

Yours sincerely,

( Rajiv Mehrishi )

Shri Hasmukh Adhia,
Secretary,
Department of Revenue,
Ministry of Finance,
New Delhi.
Dear

The Government observes 31st 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 31st 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 may be organized in the evening of 31st October by the State Police and other agencies.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

(Rajnath Singh)

Encl: as above.

All Ministers in Union Government
Chief Ministers of all State Governments
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 करूंगा और अपने देशवासियों के बीच यह संदेश फैलाने का भी करूंगा प्रयत्न करूंगा। मैं यह शपथ अपने देश की एकता की भावना से हो रहा हूँ जिसे सरदार वल्लभभाई पटेल की दृष्टियों एवं कार्यों द्वारा संभव बनाया जा सकता। 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.