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Dear Vice Chancellor

**Subject: Sardar Patel's Birth Anniversary (31<sup>st</sup> October, 2014) : Spreading the message of Unity, Safety and Security.**

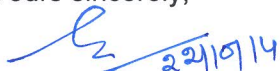
I am writing this to apprise you of that in 9 days from now the country is going to celebrate the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Ji on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2014. The Union Government has decided to observe 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2014 as the "**Rashtriya Ekta Diwas**" (**National Unity Day**). We are all aware of Sardar Patel's contributions to India's unity, safety and security. As a mark of honour for his contribution in these spheres you are requested to organize different events on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2014 on the campus of your esteemed institution including the colleges affiliated to it (if any) to spread the message of unity, safety and security. During the celebrations, you are also requested to administer the **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge** to all the students, staff and the members of the faculty and organize a '**Run for the Unity**' in which you may consider allowing other members of the civil society to participate. *A copy each of the Pledge both in Hindi and English is enclosed; which you may consider translating in other languages, if necessary.*

In addition, you may also organize a number of other activities like panel discussion on the contributions of Sardar Patel, debate competitions, NCC march past, pictorial exhibitions, publicize the work on Sardar Patel, screening of the documentary film on Sardar Patel, etc. I am certain you could consider organizing many other such activities which could spread the message of Unity, Safety and Security on this occasion. While you may prepare a list of activities which would be context specific in respect of your institution, you have to make it a point that you will accord **Top Priority** to administering **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge** and organizing a **Run for the Unity**.

I will appreciate if you could kindly let us know the type of activities undertaken by your esteemed institution through return mail.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
(Ved Prakash)

Encl. : As stated above.

To: Vice-Chancellors of all the Universities (Central, State, Private, Deemed)

## **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 late Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. I also solemnly resolve to make my own contribution to ensure internal security of my country.

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