

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Report

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat was announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 31st October, 2015 on the occasion of the 140th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Subsequently, the Finance Minister announced the initiative in his Budget Speech for 2016-17. Through this innovative measure, the knowledge of the culture, traditions and practices of different states & UTs will lead to an enhanced understanding and bonding between the states, thereby strengthening the unity and integrity of India.

The Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme aims to actively enhance interaction between people of diverse cultures living in different States and UTs in India, with the objective of promoting greater mutual understanding amongst them. As per the programme, each year, every State/UT would be paired with another State/UT in India for reciprocal interaction between the people. It is envisaged through this exchange, that the knowledge of the language, culture, traditions and practices of different states will lead to an enhanced understanding and bonding between one another, thereby strengthening the unity and integrity of India.

OBJECTIVES

- To celebrate the unity in diversity of our nation and to maintain and strengthen the fabric of traditionally existing emotional bonds between the people of our country
- To promote the spirit of national integration through a deep and structured engagement between all states and union territories through a year-long planned engagement between states
- To showcase the rich heritage and culture, customs and traditions of either state for enabling people to understand and appreciate the diversity that is India, thus fostering a sense of common identity
- To establish long term engagements
- To create an environment which promotes learning between states by sharing best practices and experiences

- To celebrate the idea of India as a nation wherein different cultural units across varied geographies coalesce and interact with each other, this glorious manifestation of diverse cuisine, music, dance, theatre, movies & films, handicrafts, sports, literature, festivals, painting, sculpture etc. will enable people to imbibe the innate chord of binding and brotherhood;
- To make our people aware about the seamless integral hull of the Modern Indian State spread across a vast landmass on whose firm foundations, the geopolitical strength of the country is ensured to benefit one and all
- To impress upon people at large about the increasing inter-connectedness between the constituents of various cultures and traditions, which is so vital for the spirit of nation building
- To induce a sense of responsibility & ownership for the nation as a whole through these close cross-cultural interactions as it intends to build up the interdependence matrix unequivocally.

- To create learning ecosystem between the various stakeholders of the partnering states so that they benefit from the best practices of one another by establishing a State to State Connect.

In our school also we celebrated the Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat programme. In this, students of different classes performed dance performances for the paired State. Students also took UNITY PLEDGE and a video was also shared with them for the paired state i.e. SIKKIM. Its culture, flora fauna ,food, dresses, language, etc. everything was shared with them in order to inculcate the sense of unity, constitution literacy and value of citizenship.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Students were able to learn and understand the language and pronunciation of the pairing state.
2. Students were able to learn and appreciate the food and festivals of the pairing state.
3. Students were able to learn and mark the capital of the partnering state.
4. Students were able to learn the festivals , heritage and historical sites of the pairing state.
5. Students were able to know about the ‘State Day’ and major rivers flowing in the pairing state.