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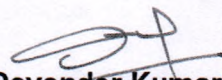
Subject : **Celebration of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2020  
(Saturday, Non working day) – reg.**

The birth anniversary of Late Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 31st October is observed as "Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day". The observance of the day serves to reinforce our commitment to strengthen the security, unity and integrity of our country.

2. Given the on-going Covid pandemic and the imperative to observe social distancing protocol, it has been decided that the Pledge of Unity may be taken individually by officers / staffs of both the Departments of this Ministry during office hours or on 31st October, as per their convenience. **A copy of the text of the pledge document (Hindi and English) is enclosed.**

3. It is requested that all officers and staff may please take the pledge and dedicate themselves to preserve and strength the ideals as epitomised by the Unity day.

**Encl.: as above**

  
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TO,

1. PS to Hon'ble SM / PS to Hon'ble MoS (SSD)
2. PSO to Secretary (HE)
3. PPS to Secretary (SE&L)
4. PPS/PS to All Bureau Heads.
5. All officers and staff of the Departments of M/o Education.
6. CMIS for placing circular on e-office, Ministry of Education.

## 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 करूँगा और अपने देशवासियों के बीच यह संदेश फैलाने का भी भरसक प्रयत्न करूँगा। मैं यह शपथ अपने देश की एकता की भावना से ले रहा हूँ जिसे सरदार वल्लभभाई 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।

## 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.