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आवासन और शहरी कार्य मंत्रालय

D.O.No.N-11025/50/2017-LSG  
13<sup>th</sup> November,, 2017

Madam/Sir,

Every year the "Qaumi Ekta Week" (National Integration Week) is observed across the country with a view to foster and reinforce the spirit of communal harmony, national integration and pride in our vibrant composite culture and nationhood. This year also, the **Qaumi Ekta Week will be observed across the country from 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2017**

2. This occasion provides us an opportunity to reaffirm our age old traditions and faith in the values of tolerance, co-existence and brotherhood in multi-cultural and multi-religious society. The observance of the **Qaumi Ekta Week** helps in highlighting the inherent strength and resilience of our nation to withstand actual and potential threats to the eclectic and secular fabric of our country, and it nurtures a spirit of communal harmony in its widest sense.

3. The role of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) is important in spreading the message of communal harmony and national integration. In this regard, I request to you to give appropriate directions to all the ULBs in your State/UT to observe **Qaumi Ekta Week from 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 in a befitting manner**. I am enclosing a date-wise list of suggested programmes to be undertaken to during the Qaumi Ekta Week.

4. The programmes may be given wide publicity and organized in such a manner that the message of communal harmony and national integration permeates all sections of the society. ULBs may also be instructed to use the occasion to disseminate the message of "Swachhata" in order to sensitize the citizens about the importance of hygiene and sanitation.

5. Photographs and videos of the celebrations of "Qaumi Ekta Week" by the ULBs across the State/UT may be uploaded on <https://www.mygov.in/> and sent by email to [uslsg-mud@gov.in](mailto:uslsg-mud@gov.in) after the event, by 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2017.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

(Sanjay Kumar)

Encl: List of Programmes

Principal Secretary / Secretary  
(Urban Development /Local Self Government)  
of all States & UTs

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ISSUED

**PROGRAMMES TO BE OBSERVED DURING QAUMI EKTA WEEK  
(NATIONAL INTEGRATION WEEK) FROM 19<sup>TH</sup> TO 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2017**

**19<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Sunday)                      NATIONAL INTEGRATION DAY**

Meetings, symposia and seminars are held to emphasize the themes of secularism, anti-communalism and non-violence.

**20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Monday)                      WELFARE OF MINORITIES DAY**

Items of the 15 Point Programme are emphasized. In riot prone towns, special fraternal processions are taken out.

**21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER (Tuesday)                      LINGUISTIC HARMONY DAY**

Special literary functions and Kavi Sammelans are organised to enable people of each region to appreciate the linguistic heritage of other parts of India.

**22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER (Wednesday)                      WEAKER SECTIONS DAY**

Meetings and rallies are organized to highlight programmes under various Government which help SCs/ STs and weaker sections with particular emphasis on the distribution of surplus land to landless labourers.

**23<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER (Thursday)                      CULTURAL UNITY DAY**

Cultural functions are organized to present the Indian tradition of unity in diversity and for promoting cultural conservation and integration.

**24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Friday)                      WOMEN'S DAY**

The importance of Women in Indian Society and their role in development of nation-building are highlighted.

**25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (Saturday)                      CONSERVATION DAY**

Meetings and functions are organized to emphasize the growing need for awareness and action to conserve the environment.

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