

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) Activity

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Karnataka-Uttarakhand Companionship (Organized by EBSB Cell & IQAC, MVJCE)

The Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat initiative is a cultural exchange program launched by the Government of India with the aim of promoting a deeper understanding and appreciation of the rich cultural diversity that exists across the country. The phrase "Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat" translates to "One India, Best India," and the initiative seeks to foster a sense of unity and national integration among the people of India.

A similar **Activity on Freedom fighters of Uttarakhand** was organized by EBSB Cell & IQAC, MVJCE on 23-09-2023.

Date of the Activity	23-09-2023
Category of the Activity	Azaadi ka Amrit Mahotsav
Title of the Activity	Freedom fighters of Uttarakhand
Total Number of students participated	105

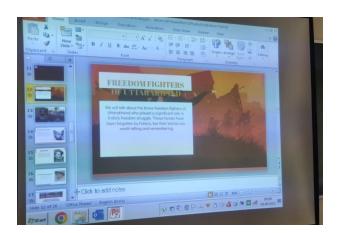
Uttarakhand has a rich history of contributions to India's struggle for independence. The unwavering spirit of several freedom fighters who played pivotal roles in the fight against British colonial rule cannot be ignored, as their sacrifices and determination were crucial in India's fight for freedom. Though their stories may not be as widely known as some national figures, their sacrifices and efforts were instrumental in shaping the destiny of Uttarakhand and the nation.

A total number of 105 students participated in the event. Few snapshots of the activity are highlighted as follows.





Prof. Pramod Sharma, Asst. Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering presenting on important freedom fighters of Uttarakhand





The students can draw inspiration from the freedom fighters of Uttarakhand by recognizing and celebrating the shared values that unite them in the broader context of Indian history. While the cultural and regional contexts may differ, the principles of resilience, patriotism, and the fight for justice are universal.

Learning and commemorating about the stories of Uttarakhand's freedom fighters through such educational initiatives, can foster a sense of connection and pride among the students. Understanding how individuals like Govind Ballabh Pant stood against colonial oppression and contributed to India's independence can serve as a powerful reminder of the collective strength of the nation.

The students can draw parallels between the struggles faced by its own historical figures and those from Uttarakhand. By highlighting the common themes of resistance, sacrifice, and determination, the students can find inspiration in the stories of individuals who fought for freedom and justice, whether in the north or the south of India.

Outcome of the event:

The Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat initiative inspires our students to embrace unity in diversity. This activity encourages students to share ideas and experiences. Through these activities, they blend regional strengths, creating a synergy that reflects the initiative's vision. This not only enriches their understanding of India's diverse cultural heritage but also promotes inclusivity and mutual respect. In participating, the students not only excel academically but also gain a broader perspective that will benefit them personally and professionally.

The students found the activity very fruitful, knowledgeable, and interesting. They got to know about the sacrifices of various freedom fighters from Uttarakhand in Indian Independence.

The sacrifices and contributions of freedom fighters, like those from Uttarakhand, not only impart historical knowledge but also instil a sense of patriotism, respect for history, and an appreciation for the values of sacrifice and perseverance in students. This kind of education is essential in shaping well-rounded, informed, and socially responsible citizens.

While the struggles of Uttarakhand's freedom fighters might not be as prominently highlighted in mainstream narratives, their impact on the region's history is immeasurable. Recognizing and commemorating the contributions of these unsung heroes is essential for preserving the cultural and historical heritage of Uttarakhand and inspiring a sense of pride and responsibility among the people.