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# EBSB @ SB

An Initiative to implement the MHRD Govt of India Project

"Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat"

at

St Berchmans College, Changanassery, Kottayam, Kerala – 686101.

# REPORT

Inauguration of EBSB@SB



#### **Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB)**

The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has initiated a project "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" (EBSB) with the objectives of celebrating our Nation's rich cultural diversity and promoting the spirit of national integration through an engagement between all the States and Union Territories of India. In order to realise these objectives, every State and Union Territory in the country has been paired with another State/ Union Territory. Accordingly, the States of Kerala and Himachal Pradesh have been paired together.

#### EBSB@SB

EBSB@SB is an initiative of St Berchmans College to implement the MHRD Govt of India Project "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" in the College. St Berchmans College (SB College) is the first higher education institution of the Archdiocese of Changanassery in the district of Kottayam in the southern state of Kerala. This institution was founded in 1922 with the noble aim of motivating young men and women towards striving for excellence in every walk of life and human service. The motto of the College is "Caritas Vera Nobilitas" which means that the love of one's fellowmen is true nobility. EBSB@SB is a step forward towards realizing the objectives of EBSB by standing true to the motto of SB College.

#### Specific objectives of EBSB@SB

- To instil and promote the spirit of national integration among the students of St Berchmans College
- To create awareness on the social, cultural and economic aspects of the State of Himachal Pradesh
- To create an understanding of the culture of Himachal Pradesh through an exposure to its folk songs and dances

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Venue: Kallarackal Hall, St Berchmans College, Changanassery

Date: February 25, 2020

Sri Uttam Singh, PhD Scholar, IIT Mandi, Himachal Pradesh inaugurated EBSB@SB in the presence of Rev Dr Binny Mathew, Director, SB Centre for Extension Activities (SBCEA), Dr Jacob Mathew M, Principal, SB College, Dr Benny Mathew, Vice Principal, Mr. Anish K Joseph, NSS Programme Officer and Rev Fr Mohan Mathew, Bursar, SB College. The inaugural function was held at the Kallarackal Hall, St Berchmans College, Changanassery, Kottayam, Kerala.

The gathering was welcomed by Rev Dr Binny Mathew, Director, SB Centre for Extension Activities (SBCEA). The Principal, Dr Jacob Mathew M delivered the Presidential Address. Mr. Anish K Joseph, NSS Programme Officer, introduced Sri Uttam Singh, the guest of the day, to the audience.In the felicitation speech, Rev Fr Mohan Mathew, the Bursar, wished EBSB@SB success in its future endeavours. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr Georgie Antony, Coordinator, SBCEA. The programme concluded with the National anthem.

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