

Brief Report from 1st February, 2020 to 29th February, 2020
On Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat-National Integration Camps and
Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat
Organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS)
Department of Youth Affairs, MoYAS

Background:

“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.

In order to realize the dream of Hon’ble Prime Minister for Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat, Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan organized Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat- National Integration Camps.

Principle Objective:

- To celebrate unity in diversity of our nation.
- To promote spirit of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat.
- To develop understanding and appreciate and establish long term engagement between States.
- To share culture, tradition, Cuisines, Language and different practices between states thereby create better understanding and bonding between states.

Reporting Period:

1st February, 2020 to 29th February, 2020.

Duration:

- Each Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat-National Integration Camp was of 5 days duration.
- Each Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Programme was of 15 days duration.

No. of Camps and Venues:

1. Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat- National Integration Camp:

A total of Nine Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat - National Integration Camps were organized involving different States including Paired States as per following details.

1. North Tripura (**Tripura** as Host State and Bihar as one of the Guest States).
2. Palamu (**Jharkhand** as Host State and Goa as one of the Guest States).
3. Jodhpur (**Rajasthan** as Host State and **Assam** as one of the Guest States).
4. North East Delhi (Delhi as Host State and **Sikkim** as one of the Guest States).
5. Kamrup (**Assam** as Host State and **Rajasthan** as one of the Guest States).
6. Mandya (**Karnataka** as Host State and **Uttarakhand** as one of the Guest States).
7. Nagpur (**Maharashtra** as Host State and **Odisha** as one of the Guest States).
8. Chittoor (**Andhra Pradesh** as Host State and **Punjab** as one of the Guest States).
9. Namchi South Sikkim (**Sikkim** as Host State and **Delhi** as one of the Guest States).

2. Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Programme:

A total of Seven Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat were organized involving paired States as per following details.

1. **Kozhikode** (**Kerala** as Host State and Himachal Pradesh as Guest States).
2. **Chennai** (**Tamil Nadu** as Host State and Jammu & Kashmir as Guest States).
3. **Bhubaneswar** (**Odisha** as Host State and Maharashtra as one of the Guest States).
4. **Daman** (**Daman & Diu** as Host State and Puducherry as Guest States).
5. **Imphal** (**Manipur** as Host State and Madhya Pradesh and Nagaland as Guest States).
6. **Silvassa** (**Dadra & Nagar Haveli** as Host State and Chandigarh as Guest States).
7. **Itanagar** (**Arunachal Pradesh** as Host State and Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya as Guest States).

Participants:

- **2,250 Youth** from the age group of 15-29 yrs from various states including paired states participated during Nine Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat-National Integration Camps.
- **696 Youth** from the age group of 15-29 yrs from paired States of Kerala & Himachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu & Jammu & Kashmir, Odisha & Maharashtra, Daman & Diu & Puducherry, Manipur & Madhya Pradesh and Nagaland, Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Chandigarh, and Arunachal Pradesh & Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya participated in Seven Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Programmes.

Key Activities Conducted during these camps:

Following key activities were undertaken while organizing the Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat-National Integration Camps and Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Programme:

- Language Learning
- Cultural Exchange
- Shramdaan
- Culinary and Cuisine
- Screening of Films and Documentaries
- Traditional Games and Sports
- Home Stay
- Know India Quiz
- Discussion
- Declamation
- Costumes and Dress Uniqueness
- Daily Interactions
- Experience Sharing
- Voices of Young People
- Symposia/ Seminar
- Interaction and meeting with Renowned Persons
- Feel India: Celebration of Paired States

Grand Total of Cumulative Report for EBSB-NIC and EBSB Programs from November, 2019 to 29th February, 2020:

- **Total No. of Programs: 30**
- **Total No. of Participants: 5,991**

Key Highlights:

Following were the key highlights of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat-National Integration Camps-

- Language Learning became most effective tool of communication and mutual understanding.
- Culinary Festival strengthened community feeling and closer bonding.
- Sharing of information through documentaries brought better understanding about each other.
- Participation in traditional sports and games brought cohesion through competition.
- Cross Cultural Activities brought familiarity and behavioral ease which led to oneness and integration among paired states.
- Costumes and Dress Uniqueness brought sense of appreciation and greater understanding among paired states.
- Presentation of Cultural Programs in collaboration with Zonal Cultural Centres of Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India.