

No. F. 16-2/2019-S&S  
Government of India  
Ministry of Education  
Department of Higher Education  
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New Delhi, 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

**CIRCULAR**

Subject : **Observance of Anti-Terrorism Day on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 – an anti-terrorism pledge taking ceremony in the wherever feasible, on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 at 11.00 AM reg.**

In pursuance of Ministry of Home Affairs circular No. 19/9/2021-Public dated 13.05.2021, an anti-terrorism pledge taking ceremony will be conducted on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021. All officers/staff of this Ministry are hereby requested to take part in the anti-terrorism pledge **in the wherever feasible on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 at 11.00 AM (Friday)**.

2. All Bureau Heads of Ministry of Education are requested to issue instructions to all subordinate/attached/autonomous bodies under their Administrative control for compliance of MHA's letter dated 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 (Copy enclosed).



**(Devender Kumar)**

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

1. PPS to Secretary (HE)
2. PPS to Secretary (SE&L)
3. PS to AS(T)
4. All Bureau Heads, with request to forward the above instruction to all subordinate/attach/autonomous bodies under their Administrative control.
5. All officers and staff of the M/o Education.
6. CMIS for placing it on e-office, M/o Education.

**MOST IMMEDIATE**

**No. 19/9/2021-Public  
Government of India/Bharat Sarkar  
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya  
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North Block, New Delhi,  
Dated the 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

To

Chief Secretaries of all State Governments,  
Administrators of all Union Territories, and  
Secretaries of all Ministries/Departments  
of the Govt. of India.

**Subject: Observance of Anti-Terrorism Day on 21<sup>st</sup> May.**

Sir/Madam,

Every year **21<sup>st</sup> May** is observed as Anti-Terrorism Day. The objective behind observance of this day is to wean away the youth from terrorism and the cult of violence by highlighting the sufferings of common people and showing as to how it is prejudicial to the national interest. To achieve the above objective various anti-terrorism programmes and drives had been organised in the past.

2. In view of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, it is imperative to follow the preventive measures such as maintaining social distancing, wearing of masks etc. as prescribed and recommended by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, while organizing the appropriate programme for the occasion.

3. It is proposed that anti-terrorism pledge may be taken in all Government offices, public sector undertakings and other public institutions on 21.05.2021. Keeping in view the safety of participants and organisers and to avoid public gathering, officials may be advised to take anti-terrorism pledge solemnly in their rooms/offices itself. Officials working from home may also be advised accordingly. A copy of the 'pledge' (both in English & Hindi) is enclosed (**Annexure**).

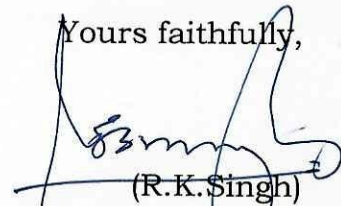
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4. In addition, considering importance and solemnity of the occasion, innovative ways of propagating the message of anti-terrorism through digital and social medial platforms, may also be considered.

5. Accordingly, I request you to kindly observe 21<sup>st</sup> May as " Anti-Terrorism Day" in a befitting manner.

Yours faithfully,



(R.K.Singh)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

Tel.No.23094927

## शपथ

हम भारतवासी अपने देश की अहिंसा एवं सहनशीलता की परम्परा में दृढ़ विश्वास रखते हैं तथा निष्ठापूर्वक शपथ लेते हैं कि हम सभी प्रकार के आतंकवाद और हिंसा का डटकर विरोध करेंगे। हम मानव जाति के सभी वर्गों के बीच शान्ति, समाजिक सद्भाव तथा सूझबूझ कायम करने और मानव जीवन मूल्यों को खतरा पहुंचाने वाली और विघटनकारी शक्तियों से लड़ने की भी शपथ लेते हैं।

## PLEDGE

We, the people of India, having abiding faith in our country's tradition of non-violence and tolerance, hereby solemnly affirm to oppose with our strength, all forms of terrorism and violence. We pledge to uphold and promote peace, social harmony, and understanding among all fellow human beings and fight the forces of disruption threatening human lives and values.