

The birth anniversary of late Smt.Indira Gandhi, former Prime Minister of India on 19.11.2008 be observed as “National Integration Day” followed by taking National Integration Pledge and the week beginning from 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November 2008, will be observed as “National Integration Week”.

“National Integration Day” pledge to the staff will be administered by the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 19.11.2008 at 11.00.a.m. at Secretariat, Chennai-9

PROGRAMMES TO BE OBSERVED DURING NATIONAL INTEGRATION  
WEEK FROM 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2008

**WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER : NATIONAL INTEGRATION DAY**

Meetings, symposia and seminars may be held to emphasise the themes of secularism, anti-communalism and non-violence.

**THURS DAY 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER : WELFARE OF MINORITIES DAY**

Items of the 15-point Programme may be emphasized. In riot-prone towns, special fraternal processions may be taken out.

**FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER : LINGUISTIC HARMONY DAY**

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

**SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER : WEAKER SECTIONS DAY**

Meetings and rallies may be organised to highlight items under various Government programmes which held SC & ST persons and weaker sections with particular emphasis on the distribution of surplus land to landless labourers.

**SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER : CULTURAL UNITY DAY**

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

**MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER : WOMEN’S DAY**

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

**TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER : CONSERVATION DAY**

Meetings and functions may be organised to emphasis the growing need for awareness and action to conserve the environment.