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Government of India  
Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports  
Department of Youth Affairs

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-1,  
Dated the 10th August, 2023

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Observance of 'Sadbhavana Diwas' on 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 – reg.**

The birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Late Shri Rajiv Gandhi is observed as 'Sadbhavana Diwas' on 20<sup>th</sup> August every year. The theme of Sadbhavana is to promote National Integration and Communal Harmony among people of all religions, languages and regions. The idea behind observance of 'Sadbhavana Diwas' is to eschew violence and to promote goodwill among the people.

2. This year, the 19<sup>th</sup> August and 20<sup>th</sup> August is falling on Saturday and Sunday which is closed holiday from Central Government Offices. Therefore, this year, the sadbhavana Pledge taking ceremony may be observed on 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 (Friday).

3. All Ministries/Departments/Organisations are, therefore, requested to organize an appropriate function wherein all employees be associated and "Sadbhavana Pledge" be administered. The text of the pledge is enclosed.

  
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Encl.: Text of Sadbhavana Pledge

To

All Union Ministries/Departments and State/UT Governments

## सद्भावना दिवस प्रतिज्ञा

मैं प्रतिज्ञा करता/करती हूँ कि मैं जाति, सम्प्रदाय, क्षेत्र, धर्म अथवा भाषा का भेदभाव किए बिना सभी भारतवासियों की भावनात्मक एकता और सद्भावना के लिए कार्य करूंगा/करूंगी। मैं पुनः प्रतिज्ञा करता/करती हूँ कि मैं हिंसा का सहारा लिए बिना सभी प्रकार के मतभेद बातचीत और संवैधानिक माध्यमों से सुलझाऊंगा/सुलझाऊंगी।

## SADBHAVANA DAY PLEDGE

I take this solemn pledge that I will work for the emotional oneness and harmony of all the people of India regardless of caste, region, religion or language. I further pledge that I shall resolve all differences among us through dialogue and constitutional means without resorting to violence.