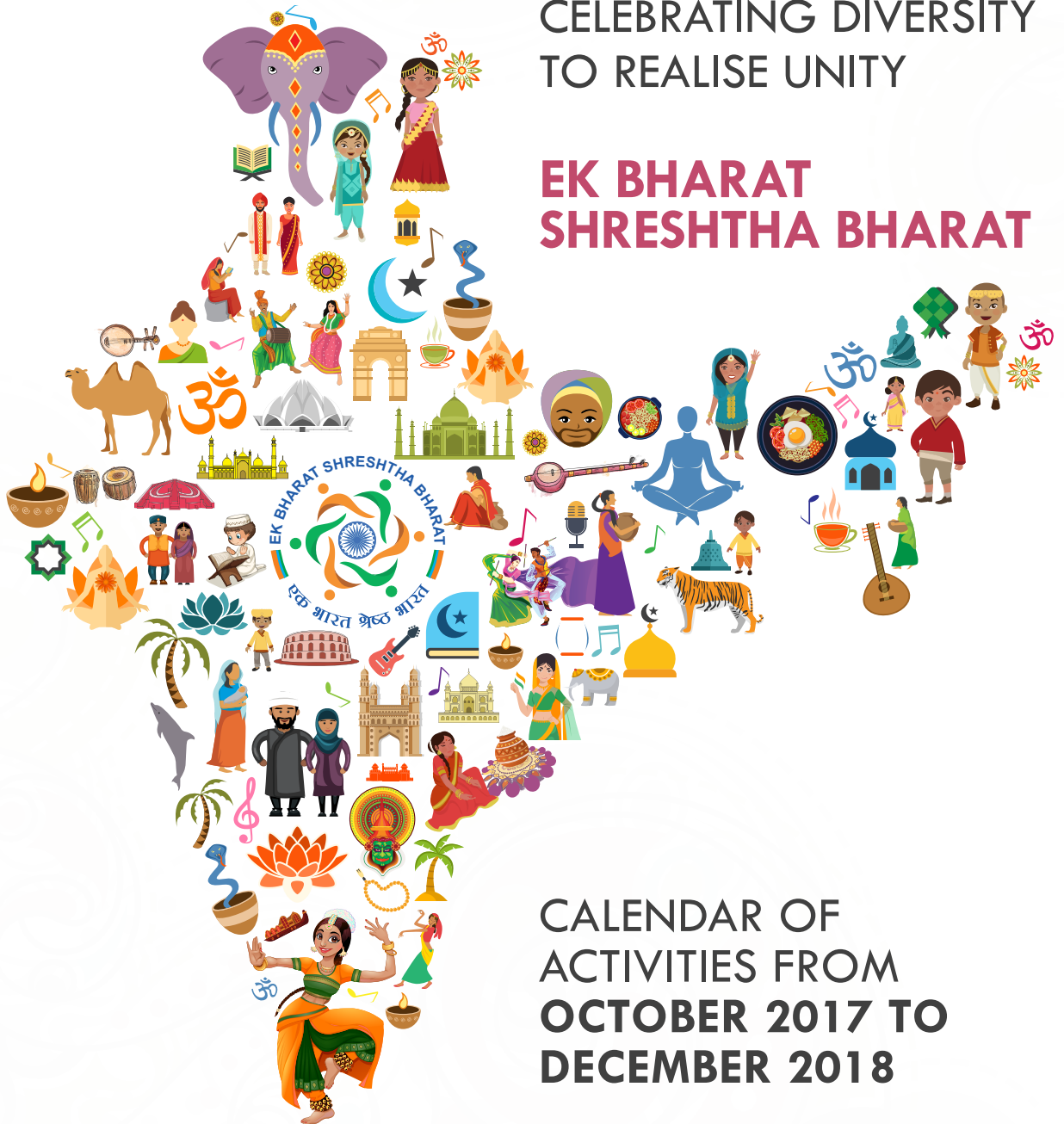




CELEBRATING DIVERSITY
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**EK BHARAT
SHRESHTHA BHARAT**



CALENDAR OF
ACTIVITIES FROM
**OCTOBER 2017 TO
DECEMBER 2018**



Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development

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Concept of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat

India is a unique nation, whose fabric has been woven by diverse linguistic, cultural and religious threads, held together into a composite national identity by a rich history of cultural evolution, coupled with a rousing freedom struggle that was built around the tenets of non-violence and justice. The spirit of mutual understanding amidst a shared history has enabled a special unity in diversity, which stands out as a tall flame of nationhood that needs to be nourished and cherished into the future.

Time and technology have narrowed down distances in terms of connect and communication. In an era that facilitates mobility and outreach, it is important to establish cultural exchanges between people of different regions, as a means to further human bonding and a common approach to nation-building. Mutual understanding and trust are the foundations of India's strength and all citizens should feel culturally integrated in all corners of India.

The idea of a sustained and structured cultural connect between people of different regions was mooted by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during the Rashtriya Ekta Divas held on 31st October, 2015, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Hon'ble Prime Minister propounded that cultural diversity is a joy that ought to be celebrated through mutual interaction & reciprocity between people of different States and UTs so that a common spirit of understanding resonates throughout the country. Every State and UT in the country would be paired with another State/UT for

a year, during which they would carry out a structured engagement with one another in the spheres of language, literature, cuisine, festivals, cultural events, tourism etc. For example, Andhra Pradesh is paired with Punjab. During the year, Punjabis would attempt to learn key words in Telugu, a few Telugu books would be translated into Punjabi & vice-versa, Andhraites would hold food festivals offering Punjabi dishes, Punjabis would perform Andhra folk dances, while Andhraites would perform Bhangra at staged events etc. This pattern of cultural adoption of the partner State/UT would be followed by all States and UTs.

All the 35 States/UTs in India have been paired till December 2018, after which the pairing pattern would be changed. West Bengal had been paired with Rajasthan but after a considerable lag awaiting West Bengal's response Rajasthan has been paired with Assam for ensuring smooth continuity in the programme. The paired States/UTs would sign MoUs with each other, delineating a set of activities that they would carry out through the year. An activity calendar for each pair would be prepared through mutual consultation, paving the way for a year long process of mutual engagement. Such interaction between different segments of the population of each pair of States /UTs at the cultural level, would increase communication, generate the vibrance of understanding & appreciation amongst the people and forge mutual bonding, thus securing an enriched value system of unity for the nation.





A Perspective on Activities under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB)

The canvas of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat now encompasses all the States and Union Territories of India. The pairing pattern until December 2018 is as follows:

Jammu & Kashmir : Tamil Nadu	Goa : Jharkhand
Punjab : Andhra Pradesh	Delhi : Sikkim
Himachal Pradesh : Kerala	Madhya Pradesh : Manipur & Nagaland
Uttarakhand : Karnataka	Uttar Pradesh : Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya
Haryana : Telangana	Bihar : Tripura & Mizoram
Rajasthan : Assam	Chandigarh : Dadra & Nagar Haveli
Gujarat : Chhattisgarh	Puducherry : Daman & Diu
Maharashtra : Odisha	Lakshadweep : Andaman & Nicobar Islands

The six Central Ministries of Tourism, Information & Broadcasting, Culture, Youth Affairs, Sports and Railways, apart from the Ministry of Human Resource Development as the Nodal Ministry would be involved actively in implementing a range of activities that promote a sense of appreciation of the joys inherent in the diverse cultures of India and continuously make efforts to create active platforms for people across the country to interact and bond with one another. In all the activities under their domain, the Ministries / Departments would incorporate the EBSB flavor and pattern so that the concept gets embedded into the minds of all.

The Ministry of Railways is displaying the EBSB logo through its vast network of railway stations & trains, to spread the message of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat to every nook and corner of the country. Branding of the programme through the network of its operations is the primary role undertaken by the Railways. The Ministry of Tourism will actively enhance travel & interaction between paired States, both directly and through the State /UT Governments by





developing attractive tourist packages between paired States, encouraging cuisine festivals, apparel fashion shows, highlighting major tourist attractions and essentially facilitating the flow of people between paired States, so that the engagement process is smooth. Similarly the Ministry of Culture, in its domain area, utilise the Zonal Cultural Centres to institutionalise the paired State concept in all programmes designed over the next one year. The concept of recognizing, appreciating and celebrating the culture of the partner state would be the key theme of the Ministry of Culture in its programmes. Sports is a powerful medium of human bonding. The Ministry of Sports, through formation of teams from paired States will conduct a series of competitions and demonstrations in various sporting disciplines & traditional games across the country. Each team would comprise members from the paired States to set up a unique atmosphere of competition and camaraderie that would be enjoyed in a rousing manner by spectators across the country. The stress dissolving and bonding nature of sports would first unite the paired States, thereby creating a collective synergy for the nation, Ministry of Youth Affairs , with its Nehru Yuva Kendra network has envisaged a series of nation-wide activities where the youth would galvanise the unification effort.

35 states and UTs in the country have signed MoUs with their paired States/UTs for undertaking mutual engagement with each other until December 2018 in cultural, tourism, language, literature, sports and other related activities that increase bonding among people of the paired States & UTs. Over the period up to December 2018, around 1000 activities have been scheduled to be conducted across the country by the States & UTs involving people from various segments of society like students, senior citizens, teachers, pilgrims, farmers, artistes etc. More than 10 lakh students/youth in India are expected to participate in this massive celebratory exercise of discovering unity & harmony by celebrating diversity. The entire Indian landscape would resonate with the spirit of a unified and harmonious nation where cultural differences are diluted through the positive currents of interaction, mutual understanding and human bonding.

An activity calendar packed with a variety of interactive, colourful, meaningful and enriching events has been drawn up by all States, UTs, Ministries and other stakeholder institutions until December 2018 for the country. Details are given in a month-wise format in the sections to follow.





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar October 2017

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh will participate in a Beach Festival in Mandvi, Dwarka, Madhavpur, Somnath & Gopnath showcasing cultural performance by Chhattisgarh Artists	1 st - 31 st October, 2017 in Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh
Rural Olympics in Vadi, Bharuch. 4 to 5 famous sports teams from Chhattisgarh will be invited. Participation of Chhattisgarh Artists in Cultural Programmes	20 th - 21 st October, 2017 in Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Yatra in various cities of the country. The participants would include artists/academicians / students of Universities and Colleges from the concerned cities	27 th October, 2017 – 24 th February, 2018	Government of Rajasthan
On the occasion of National Integration Day the oath of National Integration shall be taken in Assamese language along with Hindi in all colleges	31 st October, 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through the ATMA scheme	October 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan

Goa (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Combined Cultural Programmes would be held in New Delhi	October 2017 in Delhi	Government of Goa
Deputation of 100 NCC Cadets and 25 NSS Volunteers to Goa to participate in Netarhat Trek-cum Adventure camp in Ranchi, Jharkhand	October 2017 in Jharkhand	Government of Goa

Gujarat (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Chhattisgarh Tribal Group to take part in Tribal Festival	6 th - 8 th October , 2017 in Songadh, Tapi District, Gujarat	Government of Gujarat





Chhattisgarh Tribal Group to take part in Beach Festival being organized at 7 beaches	1 st - 31 st October, 2017 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Rural Olympics –Vadi, Bharuch, showcasing sports team from Chhattisgarh and participation of Chhattisgarh artists in the inaugural cultural programmes	20 th -21 st October, 2017, Gujarat	Government of Gujarat

Dadra & Nagar Haveli (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
26 media personnel of UT of Chandigarh would visit Dadra & Nagar Haveli for media tour. These professionals from the media shall act as best messengers for dissemination of information related to the language, culture, traditions and practices of Dadra & Nagar Haveli	14 th - 16 th October, 2017 in Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Kerala (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festival of Himachal Cuisine	October 2017 in Delhi	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala

Jharkhand (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of 100 NCC Cadets and 25 NSS Volunteers each from Goa and Jharkhand in Adventure and Trekking in Netarhart, Jharkhand	30 th October, 2017 in Jharkhand	Department of Tourism, Art, Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs, Government of Jharkhand





Quiz Competition in colleges and schools on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and Goan History, Culture, Craft, Literature, Tourism, Sports, Agriculture, Commerce etc.	31 st October, 2017 in Jharkhand	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand
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Karnataka (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festival of Uttarakhand. Hotel Management students from Karnataka would be participating in it	October 2017 in Uttarakhand	Tourism Department, Government of Uttarakhand

Sikkim (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance of Sikkim by Delhi School students during Kala Utsav - participation by 240 students of Classes IX to XII	24 th October, 2017 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim

Manipur (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
FAM Tour – Manipur to send a team of Tour Operators for a familiarization tour of Madhya Pradesh. Local hospitality, travel and accommodation by Madhya Pradesh	26 th to 30 th October, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Tourism Department, Government of Manipur
Distribution of Publicity Materials – Tour Operators from Manipur to distribute publicity material covering all historical, cultural, traditional, cuisines, tourist places etc.	26 th - 30 th October, 2017 in Manipur	Tourism Department, Government of Manipur





Assam (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Oath taking to be followed by awareness programmes on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and the paired State Rajasthan - to be organised on Rashtriya Ekta Divas	October 2017 in Paired State	All Departments, Government of Assam
State of Rajasthan to be one of the topics in the Swadesh Adhyan Quiz		Higher Secondary Education Council, Government of Assam

Arunachal Pradesh (Co-partner Meghalaya, both paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tawang Festival - Cultural Troupes of Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh and witness Tawang Festival	26 th - 29 th October, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Jammu & Kashmir (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tours, packages between the Tourism Corporations of both the States to be incentivized	October 2017 - December 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between paired States	October 2017 in paired State	Government of Jammu & Kashmir





Tamil Nadu (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir. To be announced in October and extended for the period	October 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in hotels in Tamil Nadu. To be announced in October and extended for the period	October 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Inter-action session by inviting all the students of Jammu & Kashmir State studying in IIT, Chennai, and the Universities / Colleges in and around Chennai like Anna University to exchange their views on their culture, heritage and social aspects	3 rd Week of October, 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance of Sikkim by Delhi School students during Kala Utsav	24 th October, 2017 at SV New Police Lines, Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
National Integration Camp (360 NCC Cadets from Delhi & 7 from Sikkim)	25 th October, 2017 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi





Uttar Pradesh (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh – Co-partner - Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lok Kala Utsav (Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh)	30 th - 31 st October, 2017 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Ganga Mahotsav (Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh)	31 st October - 3 rd November, 2017 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Chandigarh (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Programme, a Media Tour would be organized to Dadra and Nagar Haveli. 23 Media Persons would join the tour and visit various historical places in Dadra and Nagar Haveli	13 th -17 th October, 2017 in Chandigarh	Department of Public Relations, Government of Chandigarh

Meghalaya – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner - Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lok Kala Utsav – Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	30 th – 31 st October, 2017 in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Ganga Mahotsav – Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	31 st October - 3 rd November, 2017 in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya





Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh in Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Rajkot, Somnath and Dwarka - A gamut of cultural events have been planned and would be executed for the Mahotsav	7 th - 13 th October, 2017 in Gujarat	Ministry of Culture
Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav in Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Vadodara, Dwarka and Somnath. The Mahotsav will cover a profusion of art forms from classical and folk music and dance to literature and visual arts	7 th - 14 th October, 2017 in Gujarat	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Hyderabad (Telangana) between the paired States of Telangana and Haryana and in Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala) between the paired States of Kerala and Himachal Pradesh	24 th October - 7 th November, 2017 in paired States	Department of Youth Affairs





Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) in consultation with Ministry of Information and Broadcasting will finalize Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat theme song. All India Radio Stations will broadcast jingles/short-audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast celebrations and festivals of the paired States/UTs	October 2017 in all States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
All Doordarshan Kendras in the Capital Cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs	October 2017 in States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Performances by local artists and Chhattisgarh Tribal groups under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and Paryatan Parv.	5 th October, 2017 in Tithal, Dwarka, Gopnath, Somnath, Madhavpur (District Porbandar), Suvali (District Surat), Mandvi (District Kutch] Gujarat	Ministry of Tourism
Cultural Performances from Gujarat and Chhattisgarh Tribal groups under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and Paryatan Parv; Inaugural Parade with Tableau depicting Tribal Culture, Dangi Music, Cartoon Characters, Chhattisgarh and Gujarat Tribal Groups performance etc; Digital India- Awareness Programme about cashless India etc. and Awareness Programme on Women's Empowerment & Role of Women in Tourism	7 th October, 2017 in Gujarat (Songadh, District Vyara) -Gujarat	Ministry of Tourism





[Golconda Fort & Secunderabad - <i>Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes</i> under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative and Paryatan Parv - Guided Heritage Walks, Cultural Programme and Costume Parade organized by NYKS.	23 rd October – 6 th November, 2017 in Telangana	Ministry of Tourism
Kerala Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative and Paryatan Parv - Guided Heritage Walks, Cultural Programme and Costume Parade organized by NYKS.	24 th October to 7 th November, 2017 in Ernakulam	Ministry of Tourism
State Governments / Regional Offices of Ministry of Tourism will organize Tourism Road Shows in paired States throughout the EBSB Programmes.	October 2017	Ministry of Tourism
Students from Central & State IHMS to organise fashion shows, and wearing traditional attire of paired States throughout the EBSB Programmes.	October 2017	Ministry of Tourism

Ministry of Railways

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Play a pioneering role for Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat by widely using and disseminating the EBSB logo, theme song, video, posters across the entire length and breadth of the country carrying Railway footprints, whether it is passenger traffic or goods traffic or catering or Railway infrastructure like trains, stations, factories, Workshops, Training Institutions, Hospitals, Sports Centres, Recreational Facilities like Holiday Homes, Waiting Rooms, Rest Rooms etc. The message of EBSB will go from remote areas in NE to the deep South, cutting across every nook and corner of Bharat. This will go on throughout the EBSB cycle.	October 2017 through December 2018 across the length and breadth of the nation	Ministry of Railways





Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Quiz on India , photographic competition & Parliamentary debate	14 th , 15 th and 18 th October, 2017 in Tirupati	IIT, Tirupati
Madhubani painting workshop with the students of Bihar,Tripura and Mizoram	28 th October to 5 th November, 2017 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
EBSB Cultural days where Garba and Dandiya dance of Gujarat and Saila Dance, Sau Nacha of Chhattisgarh and Bans Geet, Bharathari, Faag songs of Chhattisgarh will be displayed. Bhangra, Punjabi Folk Music of Haryana and Carnatic Classical Music of Telangana will also be displayed	19 th & 28 th October, 2017, respectively, in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural days with traditional dance of Gujarat –Chhattisgarh, and Drama/Fine arts/ Music of Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh	14 th & 28 th October, 2017, respectively, in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
Film Festival of Award winning movies of Telangana	29 th October, 2017 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
Cultural programme on EBSB day	12 th October, 2017 in Nagpur	Visvesvaraya NIT, Nagpur
Programme on Rajasthani Folk Music on EBSB day	31 st October, 2017 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
Visit to Vindham Waterfall, Mirzapur, U.P., Quiz and Essay Competitions, Printing competition, Slide show/Photography competition related to tourist spots in Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya, and celebration of National Unity Day with special emphasis on U.P., Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	15 th , 23 rd , 24 th 25 th & 31 st October, 2017 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad
Lectures by experts on the history, environment, demographics, language and economy of Himachal Pradesh	October 2017 in Kozhikode	NIT, Calicut





Orientation of the Organizing Committee EBSB day with 15 students, Malayalam classes once a week during the 2 semesters with 15 students and Kerala traditional dance classes Thiruvathira (for girls) and Kolkkali (for boys) once a week for one month	11 th October, 2017 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
EBSB Cultural day involving competition on Diya Decoration and Lighting	October 2017 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
Sending students to NIT, Agartala, for sports activities campaigning, cultural exchange, photography, cycling expedition etc for three days	26 th - 28 th October, 2017 in Agartala	NIT, Mizoram
Celebrate National Unity Day with special emphasis on Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	31 st October, 2017 in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
EBSB Day involving cultural exchange programme with the partnering States with the help of students of Andhra Pradesh	16 th October, 2017 in Jalandhar	Dr B.R. Ambedkar NIT, Jalandhar
EBSB Day involving drama depicting culture of Tamil Nadu and photography competition creating portfolio	October 2017 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
A programme between where NIT, Patna, students and NIT, Mizoram, students will come to visit NIT, Agartala, broadcasting regional TV Channels, sports activities camping , cultural exchanges, photography, cycling, expedition etc.	26 th - 28 th October, 2017 in Agartala	NIT, Agartala
Essay competition on cultural heritage of Nagaland among students from different Institutes from Madhya Pradesh	October 2017 in Bhopal	NIT, Bhopal
Poster competition on fine arts and photo exhibition on film and photographs	27 th - 28 th October, 2017 in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
EBSB Programme for inductions into the official quiz club and induction into the official photography club	11 th - 14 th and 13 th - 15 th October, 2017, respectively, in Jamshedpur	NIT, Jamshedpur





Students visit to NIT, Agartala, for a programme broadcasting regional TV Channels, sports activities, camping, cultural exchange, photography, cycling expedition etc.	26 th - 28 th October, 2017 in Agartala	NIT, Patna
Quiz competition related to U.P. & Meghalaya on the Birth day of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, cultural programme on U.P. & Meghalaya at National Integration Camp at Delhi. Addovedi, Annual Technical Festival with special emphasis on U.P. & Meghalaya, and screening of short film related to U.P. & Meghalaya on National Unity Day	15 th October, 2017, 25 th October - 15 th November, 2017, 26 th - 28 th October, 2017 and 31 st October, 2017, respectively, in Arunachal Pradesh	NIT, Arunachal Pradesh
Programme showcasing Madhya Pradesh traditional attire.	31 st October, 2017 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Essay competition on cultural heritage of Madhya Pradesh among students from different institutions of Nagaland	26 th October, 2017 in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
Programme displaying the culture and heritage of the Punjab State through posters & pictures in the campus	16 th October, 2017 in Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
Programme of Classical Vocal (solo and duet) with Hindustani and Carnatic styles by the Institute's students, semi-classical and folk orchestra by the Institute's band Club Heart Beat and flute recital by Guru Narender Kumar Nayak from Rourkela	28 th October, 2017 in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
EBSB Days involving various competitions on Essay Writing, Photography and Painting on the tourist attractions in the paired States	15 th - 25 th October, 2017 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Day on 31.10.2017	31 st October, 2017 in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
Quizzes on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, India and Assam, Essay writing, poster making competitions, singing and dancing competitions	31 st October, 2017 in Kota	IIIT, Kota
Film Festival of award winning movies of Telangana	29 th October, 2017 in Sonepat	IIIT, Sonepat





Photography and painting competitions depicting Cultural Heritage of Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh, and Essay writing competition	12 th & 31 st October, 2017, respectively, in Gwalior	Atal Behari Vajpayee Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Gwalior
Cultural programme with the Keralite students performing on Himachal Pradesh culture and Himachal Pradesh students on Kerala culture	28 th October, 2017 in Thiruvananthpuram	IISER, Thiruvananthpuram
Programme on Maharashtrian Rangoli	19 th October, 2017 in Berhampur	IISER, Berhampur
EBSB days having activities on Rangoli, painting and quizzing with the paired States	19 th and 26 th - 29 th October, 2017, respectively, in Bhopal	IISER, Bhopal
EBSB Cultural day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical), Telugu Poetry and music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama etc.	25 th October, 2017 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Bhangra, Ghidda and Dandiya Dances, Punjabi traditional cuisine, Essay writing on History, Culture and Colours of Punjab and wearing of Punjabi attire, presentation on Cultural Heritage of Andhra Pradesh by a Punjabi student and Culture of Punjab by Andhra Pradesh student, and visit of local Gurudwara by students from South India mainly to introduce the Sikh culture	19 th , 23 rd , 24 th , 25 th and 28 th October, 2017, respectively, in Tirupati	IISER, Tirupati
Quiz on tourism in Tripura and Mizoram, on the spot painting and competition with theme on land & people of Tripura and Mizoram, essay competition on role of tourism in national integration with special reference to Tripura and Mizoram, and slide show competition with theme on land and people of Tripura and Mizoram	14 th , 15 th , 16 th and 25 th October, 2017, respectively, in Motihari, Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar
EBSB Cultural days with events on photography or slide show competition with commentary by students on major tourist attractions with paired states (Bihar and Mizoram) /painting and essay competition with the theme on tourism & livelihood, with quiz competition on tourism/cultural matters of Bihar and Mizoram.	23 rd & 25 th October, 2017, respectively, in Tripura	Tripura University, Tripura





Programme on Unity in Diversity where the students of all the States will be divided into seven zones. The students of each zone shall be given opportunity to showcase their culture through theme based cultural activities	31 st October - 5 th November, 2017 in Bhatinda	Central University of Punjab, Bhatinda
Programme on symposium on cultural fusion	31 st October, 2017 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Orientation programme for students to know about the idea/ activities of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	31 st October, 2017 in Gaya, Bihar	Central University of South Bihar
Competitions in literary and cultural activities containing debate/ elocutions/ essay writing/ poster / photography and film making /music and dance, film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programmes on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	October 2017 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Programme Arunima show-casing folk dances of Sikkim	27 th October, 2017 in Delhi	University of Delhi
Blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, and Photography/Slide Show competition with commentary by students on major tourist/historical attraction with Bihar	26 th & 27 th October, 2017, respectively, in Mizoram	Mizoram University
Rajasthani film festival	21 st & 22 nd October, 2017 in Assam	Tezpur University
Paryatan Parv with local tour to familiarize students with heritage sites in and around Hyderabad. Presentation/slide shows on multiplicity of Indian Culture	15 th & 27 th October, 2017, respectively, in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Extempore competition on the related themes of EBSB	30 th - 31 st October, 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Central University of Himachal Pradesh





<p>Social Science Exhibition cum National Integration National Camp which will comprise several competitions in group dance, group song, debate, quiz, skits, projects, on the spot painting, Sanskrit shloka recitation, Hindi Kavya Paath, English elocution, Solo singing and solo classical dance. 50 students and 5 teachers from each of the 25 Regions of Kendriya Vidyalaya will participate in the National Camp</p>	<p>31st October, 2017 in KVS schools all over the country</p>	<p>Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan</p>
<p>Several programmes in its schools such as vocal performance in Tamil and Hindi in Puducherry, visit of Telangana students to Haryana Bhavan, Rally on National Integration Day etc.</p>	<p>October 2017 in CBSE schools all over the country</p>	<p>Central Board of Secondary Education</p>





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar November 2017

States/Union Territories

Rajasthan (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Competitions to be held in all Colleges to learn about the art, culture, language, history, legends & heritage of Assam. Essay, Quiz and Poster Competitions will also be held.	11 th -30 th November, 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	November 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	November 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
If Assamese families are residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	November 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	November 2017 in paired States	Government of Rajasthan
An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam	November 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	November 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To share the best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through the ATMA scheme	November 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





Goa (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Deputation of Goan Folk Dance group to Jharkhand	November 2017 in Goa	Government of Goa
Deputation of 100 NCC Cadets and 25 NSS Volunteers to Goa to participate in Netarhat Trek-Cum Adventure camp	November 2017 in Ranchi, Jharkhand	Government of Goa

Tripura (Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Bihar Mahotsav in Tripura. A cultural team of 30 members along with one Team leader and Assistant Team Leader would participate	11 th - 12 th November, 2017 in Tripura	Government of Tripura

Gujarat (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Chalo Gujarat – showcasing Cultural Programme and Tourist Destinations of Gujarat	1 st - 5 th November, 2017 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat

Telangana (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Telangana food festival	November 2017 in Haryana	Government of Telangana





Dadra & Nagar Haveli (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
The UT Administration of Chandigarh will organise 9 th Edition of Chandigarh National Crafts Mela in Kalagram, Chandigarh. 55 artistes of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, including Tarpa & Dhol dance artists, tribal cooks, craftsmen and Varli painting artists, will be participating in the Crafts Mela to familiarize the local people of Chandigarh with the culture, traditions and local delicacies of DNH	2 nd -12 th November , 2017 in Chandigarh	Government of Chandigarh
Training cum Workshop on Painting under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat in which 6 eminent contemporary painting artists from Chandigarh have been invited to share their knowledge and train the students & artists of Dadra & Nagar Haveli	13 th -18 th November, 2017 in Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Department of Tourism, Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of 100 NCC Cadets each and 25 NSS Volunteers each from Goa and Jharkhand in Adventure and Trekking in Netarhart, Jharkhand	6 th November, 2017 in Jharkhand	Department of Tourism, Art, Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs, Government of Jharkhand
Participation of Goa folk dance group on Jharkhand Foundation Day	15 th November, 2017 in Ranchi, Jharkhand	Directorate of Art and Culture, Goa, Government of Goa





Karnataka (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
100 students from Uttarakhand would visit Hampi Utsav	1 st Week of November, 2017 in Karnataka	Commissionerate for Public Instruction and Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka
10 teachers from Public Instruction and 10 teachers from Higher Education would be sent to Uttarakhand for exchange and learning/teaching mother language	2 nd Week of November, 2017 in Karnataka	Government of Karnataka
Teachers from Uttarakhand to learn/teach mother language	4 th Week of November, 2017 in Karnataka	Commissionerate for Public Instruction and Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Odisha State would conduct cultural programmes	24 th -27 th November, 2017 in Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra
Book Exhibition - exhibition and various food stalls, & its premises would be made available for the purpose. The locations where planned, will also be available for pre-programme preparations and for wrapping up after the programmes. Representatives of Odisha State to be invited for inspection of the three locations and thereafter Auditoriums /Campuses finalized by them would be made available for programme Translation of 5 Marathi books to Odia and vice versa Translation of 50 Marathi proverbs to Odia	At P.L.Deshpande Kala Academy in Mumbai, its Kalangan or Prabodhankar Thakre Theatre Auditorium, Borivali 22 nd - 23 rd and 28 th November, 2017 in Maharashtra	Department of Archaeology, Odisha & Government of Maharashtra





Sikkim (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Fancy Dress Competition	2 nd Week of November, 2017 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim
Visual Arts and Painting Competition - Poster Making and Drawing on the Geographical and Environmental Status of Sikkim	Last Week of November, 2017 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim

Manipur (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Students Exchange Programme – A team of teachers/ students from the schools of Manipur to visit Madhya Pradesh during the Mogli Utsav at Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	November 2017 in Manipur	Department of Education, Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh (Paired with Manipur – Co-partner -Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Exchange Programmes - Cultural troupes from Madhya Pradesh will go to Manipur to showcase the traditional dance and other art forms in Sangai festival	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Culture, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Artisans from Handloom & Handicraft would exhibit in Sangai festival - Madhya Pradesh Hastshilp Vikas Nigam	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Handloom & Handicraft, Government of Madhya Pradesh
FAM Tour - Visit of TA/TO of Madhya Pradesh to Manipur	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Manipur	Department of Tourism, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Teachers/Students Exchange Programme - A team of Teachers/Students from colleges would visit Manipur	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Manipur	Department of Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Teachers/Students Exchange Programme - A team of Teachers/Students from schools will visit Manipur	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Manipur	Department of School Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh
School Students Participation- students of partner State to participate in Mogli Utsav at Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	November 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of School Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh (Paired with Nagaland – Co-partner - Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Teachers/Students Exchange Programmes - A team of Teachers/Students from colleges would visit Nagaland	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Nagaland	Department of Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Teachers/Students Exchange Programme - A team of Teachers/Students from schools would visit Nagaland	21 st -30 th November, 2017 in Nagaland	Department of School Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh
School Students Participation - Students of partner State to participate in Mogli Utsav at Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	November 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of School Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Assam (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural programmes, competitions with Rajasthan State as the Theme - Celebration of Children's Day programme	14 th November, 2017 in Assam	Department of Elementary Education, Government of Assam





Arunachal Pradesh (Co-partner - Meghalaya, Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Basar Confluence - Cultural troupes & students from U.P. & Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh. Cultural exchange through participation in traditional dances and local practices of Galo tribe of Arunachal Pradesh – Basar , Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh	4 th - 6 th November, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Mechuka Adventure Festival - Students of Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh to participate and experience adventure activities during the three days Adventure Festival at Mechuka in West Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh.	24 th -26 th November, 2017 in Paired State	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Lucknow Mahotsava - Cultural Troupes & Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.	25 th November -5 th December, 2017 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Daman & Diu (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Quiz, Essay and Drawing Competitions - Quiz, Essay and Drawing Competitions to increase the general knowledge, inter-State knowledge and current Affairs of the students	November 2017 in Daman & Diu	Department of Education, Government of Daman & Diu
Run for Unity/ Marathon / Cycle Race - to build up the bond of unity and the spirit of sportsmanship in the youth. Youth of Puducherry shall be invited to participate in Marathon / Cycle Races	November 2017 in Daman & Diu	Department of Tourism, Government of Daman & Diu





Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura , Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Presentation of indigenous games	November 2017 in Bihar	Department of Sports & Youth, Government of Mizoram

Jammu & Kashmir (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organizing cultural evening show for Tamil Nadu students studying in various Institutions of J&K State by SMVD University, Katra.	November 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
To give concessions to tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between the paired States.	November 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Uttarakhand (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Hampi Utsav celebration in Uttarakhand	3 rd -5 th November, 2017 in Uttarakhand	Department of Education, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Eight days Theatre Festival with Telangana State at Hisar / Panchkula / Chandigarh	November 2017 in Haryana	Government of Haryana





Photo exhibition based on visit of photographers from Haryana to Telangana to be held in Haryana	November 2017 in Haryana	Government of Haryana
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Punjab (Paired with Andhra Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tour Operator exchange programme in Punjab at Amritsar.	November 2017 in Amritsar, Punjab	Department of Tourism, Government of Punjab
Tour Operator exchange programme	November 2017 in Vizag, Andhra Pradesh	Department of Tourism, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Paired with Lakshadweep)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Andaman & Nicobar Islands delegation to Lakshadweep and conducting of Film Festival/Quiz/ Cultural interaction and exchanges	9 th -13 th November, 2017 in Lakshadweep	Department of Arts & Culture, Government of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Cultural team from Union Territory of Lakshadweep to Andamans	November 2017 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep





Himachal Pradesh (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals – Students Exchange Programme & Teachers Exchange Programme	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exposure for students to learn songs and opportunity to learn the local languages, celebrate traditional festivities	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance for students	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides, Rovers and Rangers camps for students	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of training programmes for educational administrators and teachers	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exchange programmes for students in Vocational Education, ICT and Exchange of Good Practices under Mid Day Meal Scheme	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organising Essay and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes for students & teachers	November 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh

Tamil Nadu (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation would provide 15% Incentive/Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	November 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu





To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation would provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels of Tamil Nadu	November 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu
Organizing Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan Camps involving Youth Clubs and Mahila Mandals of one State at the locations in the partner State (Inter-State Youth Exchange programme) - A team consisting of 50 youths from Jammu & Kashmir would be visiting Tamil Nadu for 15 days	1 st Week of November, 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu
Inviting Nodal Officer & Faculty Members of Jammu & Kashmir State to Tamil Nadu to discuss the strategies for the successful implementation of activities as per Action Plan with related officials of Tamil Nadu in Anna University, Chennai	3 rd Week of November, 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning alphabets of the prevailing languages of partner States - the alphabets of Jammu & Kashmir State Languages shall displayed in the campus of the partner Universities	November 2017-January 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
National Integration Camp for 360 NCC Cadets from Delhi & 7 from Sikkim	5 th November, 2017 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Fancy Dress Competition (District-wise)	2 nd Week of November, 2017 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Darjeeling trekking for 123 NCC Cadets from Delhi	13 th -22 nd November, 2017 in Darjeeling	Government of NCT of Delhi
Visual Arts and Painting Competition - Poster Making and Drawing on the Geographical and Environmental Status of Sikkim	Last Week of November. 2017 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
National Integration Camp for 135 NCC Cadets from Sikkim & 16 from Delhi	29 th October -10 th November, 2017 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi





General Knowledge Quiz competition and Debate competition on Sikkim	November 2017 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
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Uttar Pradesh (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ganga Mahotsav - Cultural troupes of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	31 st October -3 rd November, 2017 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Basar Confluence - Cultural troupes & students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh	4 th -6 th November, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Adventure Sports at Menchukha - Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh	7 th - 9 th November, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Autumn Festival. Cultural Exchange through Drama/ Theatre. Cultural Troupes & Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Meghalaya. Art Competitions to be also held	7 th - 9 th November, 2017 in Shillong, Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Lucknow Mahotsava - Cultural troupes & artisans of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh	25 th November -5 th December, 2017 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Archery and Football teams of U.P. would visit Meghalaya to play exhibition matches and vice-versa	25 th November -5 th December, 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Contingent of Sportspersons of U.P. would participate in Cherrapunji Marathon	25 th November -5 th December, 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh - (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Youth Exchange Programme to Punjab by Andhra Pradesh youth	November 2017 in Andhra Pradesh	Department of Youth Services, Andhra Pradesh





Chandigarh (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Annual Event - 9 th Edition of Chandigarh National Crafts Mela. The Union Territory of Dadra and Nagar Haveli is going to be the theme State of this National Event which is being planned on a grand scale to make it a mega event under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme. Adequate space would be provided to DNH in the Mela to engage the Art and Culture forms of partner State such as Folk Dances, Folk Musical Instruments, handicrafts/ handlooms and other cultural flavours of DNH	2 nd - 12 th November, 2017 in Chandigarh	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Chandigarh
Dadra and Nagar Haveli is organizing a Training cum Workshop on Painting in Silvassa under EBSB. Six Senior and Young Artists of Tricity i.e., Chandigarh/ Panchkula/Mohali and one office bearer from Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi would participate in the said Workshop	13 th - 18 th November, 2017 in Silvassa	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Chandigarh
Karate Competition to be organized. 10 boys and 10 girls from Chandigarh to the U.T. of Dadra and Nagar Haveli	November 2017 in DNH	Department of Sports, Government of Chandigarh
Artists from Dadra and Nagar Haveli would participate in the Chandigarh Carnival -2017. The Department would arrange the visit of the participants at popular & beautiful places of the city like Rock Garden, Capitol Complex, Sukhna Lake, Le-Corbusier Centre, Museum etc to showcase its rich Heritage, Architecture, Art and Culture	November 2017	Department of Tourism, Government of Chandigarh

Meghalaya – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ganga Mahotsav – Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh.	31 st October - 3 rd November, 2017 in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya





Basar Confluence – Cultural Troupes and Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh.	4 th – 6 th and 7 th – 9 th November, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Adventure Sports at Menchukha – Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh.	November 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Autumn festival in Shillong – Art Competitions - Cultural exchange through Drama Theatre – Cultural Troupes and Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Meghalaya.	November 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya
Lucknow Mahotsava – Cultural Troupes and Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh.	25 th November – 5 th December, 2017 in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Archery and Football teams of U.P. would visit Meghalaya to play exhibition matches and vice versa.	November 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya
Contingent of Sportspersons of U.P. would participate in Cherrapunji Marathon.	November 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya

Nagaland – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner - Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
A team of teachers and colleges students numbering about 20 would visit Madhya Pradesh.	21 st to 30 th November, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Higher Education, Government of Nagaland
A team of School Students of about 20-30 shall participate in the Mogli Utsav at Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	November 2017 in Nagaland	Department of School Education, Government of Nagaland
Nagaland & Madhya Pradesh to conduct either football or hockey match	November 2017 in Nagaland	Department of Higher Education, Government of Nagaland





Odisha - (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of 5 Odia books and 50 Odia proverbs to Marathi and vice-versa	4 th week of November 2017	Department of Education, Government of Odisha

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres - A gamut of cultural events have been planned and would be executed for the Mahotsav	November 2017 in Karnataka and Uttarakhand	Ministry of Culture
Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav covering the paired States of Delhi and Sikkim. Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav would cover a profusion of art forms from classical and folk music and dance to literature and visual arts	November 2017 in Delhi and Sikkim	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes between the paired States of Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir; paired States of Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu; paired States of Odisha and Maharashtra, and the paired States of Karnataka and Uttarakhand.	2 nd -16 th November, 2017 in Chennai 10 th - 24 th November, 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir 16 th -30 th November, 2017 in Bhubaneshwar 25 th November-9 th December, 2017 in Bengaluru	Department of Youth Affairs





Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Stations would broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations would also broadcast programmes on Culture and Literature of the paired States/UTs	November 2017 in paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities would produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs	During the entire Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat activities/programmes up to December 2018 in all paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Performances by local artists and Chhattisgarh Tribal groups under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and Paryatan Parv	5 th November, 2017 in Porbandar, Surat, Kutch, Gujarat	Ministry of Tourism
Gujarat (Songadh, District – Vyara) - Cultural Performances from Gujarat and Chhattisgarh Tribal groups under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and Paryatan Parv; Cultural Performances from Gujarat and Chhattisgarh Tribal groups under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and Paryatan Parv; Inaugural Parade with Tableau depicting Tribal Culture, Dangi Music, Cartoon Characters, Chhattisgarh and Gujarat Tribal Groups performance etc;	7 th November, 2017 in Songadh, Vyara Gujarat	Ministry of Tourism
Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative and Paryatan Parv - Guided Heritage Walks, Cultural Programme and Costume Parade organized by NYKS	23 rd October- 6 th November, 2017 in Golconda Fort & Secunderabad, Telangana	Ministry of Tourism





Inter-State Youth Exchange Programme under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative and Paryatan Parv - Guided Heritage Walks, Cultural Programme and Costume Parade organized by NYKS	24 th October- 7 th November, 2017 in Ernakulam, Kerala	Ministry of Tourism
Tourism Road Shows in paired States throughout the EBSB Programmes	November 2017 in Paired States/UTs	Ministry of Tourism
Students from Central & State IHMS to organise fashion shows, and wear traditional attire of paired States throughout the EBSB programmes	November 2017 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism
FHRAI and IATO to advise their local State Associations for providing discounted/economical packages for visitors from the paired States/UTs visiting each other	November 2017 - December 2018 in States/UTs	Ministry of Tourism

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
EBSB Day with focus on Punjab & Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan & Assam	4 th and 11 th November, 2017, respectively, in Guwahati	IIT, Guwahati
EBSB Day would organise artefacts making competition with Punjab as the theme	4 th November, 2017 in Tirupati	IIT, Tirupati
EBSB Day with the students of Punjab and Andhra Pradesh	12 th November, 2017 in Kharagpur	IIT, Kharagpur
EBSB Day on Children's Day with the students from Rajasthan and Assam	14 th November, 2017 in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
EBSB day with quiz competition based on various socio-cultural as well as geographical aspects of Jharkhand	25 th November, 2017 in Goa	IIT, Goa
A programme on Bharatanatyam and Group songs from Kashmir	13 th November, 2017 in Varanasi	IIT (BHU), Varanasi
EBSB Cultural days with focus on Punjab & Andhra Pradesh and Haryana & Telangana	4 th and 5 th November, 2017, respectively, in Patna	IIT, Patna





EBSB Cultural days on Madhubani painting workshop with the paired States of Bihar -Tripura & Mizoram	28 th October -5 th November, 2017 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
EBSB Cultural day with the Rouf dance of Jammu & Kashmir and Bharatnatyam and Carnatic classical music of Tamil Nadu	11 th November, 2017 in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
A programme on ethnic wear of all the States. It would also organize "Understanding Heritage of Telangana-Haryana"	3 rd November, 2017 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
EBSB Cultural days with theatre performances	10 th November, 2017 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
Essay Contest on the History of Nagaland and Manipur and meeting over Skype/video with selected students of NIT Manipur for a general discussion on the culture of Manipur and status on educational facilities in the States	3 rd and 10 th November, 2017, respectively, in Indore	IIT, Indore
Function on DJ and food cuisine of Delhi -Sikkim	9 th November, 2017 in Ropar	IIT, Ropar
EBSB Day with holding of culinary festival on Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu	12 th November, 2017 in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam
EBSB days with activities on knowledge sharing, administration of oaths and screening of films	18 th , 26 th and 30 th November, 2017, respectively, in Nagpur	IIM, Nagpur
EBSB Day with a cultural programme	25 th November, 2017 in Indore	IIM, Indore
EBSB Cultural days giving exposure of students to Marathi alphabets, songs, Proverbs and familiarisation of History, Tradition and arts of Maharashtra	10 th and 26 th November, 2017, respectively, in Sambalpur	IIM, Sambalpur
Food festival	18 th and 19 th November, 2017 in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Culinary festivals with opportunity to learn culinary practices of the partner States. Dramas of the other States in educational institutions of the partnering States. Identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use. Activities to encourage the administration of oaths/pledges in the two languages of the pairing States	1 st November -28 th February, 10 th November, 15 th November and 1 st November -31 st December, 2017, respectively, in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore





Programme on administration of oaths/pledges in the two languages of the partnering States	November 2017 in Kolkata	IIM Calcutta
Culinary festivals with focus on Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	25 th November, 2017 in Trichy	IIM, Trichy
Mini Marathon 2017.	5 th November, 2017 in Rohtak	IIM, Rohtak
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition, exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State, encouraging the administrations for pledges in the two languages of the pairing States, organizing film festivals in the State with Sub-titles of the partnering State and organizing photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State	November 2017 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode
EBSB Day with programme on folk dance	19 th November, 2017 in Nagpur	Visvesvaraya NIT, Nagpur
EBSB Day with a programme "Local Folk Evening"	11 th November, 2017 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
EBSB Day with competition on traditional/folk songs related to Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	4 th November, 2017 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad
Programme on learning of Pahari, Kullvi and Mandiali languages	November 2017 in Kozhikode	NIT, Calicut
EBSB Day with cultural display of all the States of India.	3 rd November, 2017 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
EBSB Day with essay writing in the languages of partnering State , Jammu & Kashmir	13 th November, 2017 in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
Programme on identification of proverbs with similar meaning in the languages of Delhi (Hindi) and Sikkim (Nepali, Lepcha etc)	8 th November, 2017 in Delhi	NIT, Delhi





EBSB Days with essay competition among students in the Kannada language, with screening of movies in the Institute with sub-titles in Kannada Language, and with Blog competitions in the Institute on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	18 th , 19 th and 25 th November, 2017, respectively, in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
EBSB Day with painting competition related to tourist spots in Arunachal Pradesh	8 th November, 2017 in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
EBSB Days with fashion shows and wearing of attire of the partnering States by the students, with translation of at least 5 award winning songs of one State in the language of the partnering State, with exposure of the students of the students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State	10 th , 11 th and 12 th November, respectively, 2017 in Jalandhar	Dr B.R. Ambedkar NIT, Jalandhar
EBSB Days consisting of dance events.	4 th & 6 th November, 2017 in Surathkal	NIT, Surathkal
Essay competition on cultural heritage of Manipur among students from the different Institutes from Madhya Pradesh	17 th November, 2017 in Bhopal	NIT, Bhopal
A workshop on Assamese music (Bihu Geet, Bon Geet) and dance of Bihu	8 th November, 2017 in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
Programmes on Literary and Debating Society's events, Cultural and Dramatics Society's induction and Fine Arts Club for Engineering Students Club Selection	6 th -9 th , 10 th -12 th and 14 th -16 th November, respectively, 2017 in Jamshedpur	NIT, Jamshedpur
Programme show-casing Manipur's traditional attire	15 th November, 2017 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Essay competition on cultural heritage of Manipur among the students from different Institutions of Nagaland	November 2017 in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
Programmes encouraging fashion shows and frequent wearing of attire of Punjab among the students, award winning singing competition, and sharing the alphabets usual sentences and songs with the help of Punjab students to all other students	10 th and 20 th November, 2017, respectively, respectively, in Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
Qawali programme by Warsi brothers, and classical and modern dance (solo group) by the Institute's dance club (Synergy & Maverick)	4 th and 5 th November, 2017, respectively, in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela





Programme on culturally oriented films and documentaries on the special occasions	November 2017 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Cultural Day	17 th November, 2017 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day	7 th November, 2017 in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
EBSB Day with quizzes on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, India and Assam, Essay writing, poster making competitions, singing and dancing competitions	7 th -8 th November, 2017 in Kota	IIIT, Kota
EBSB Days with programme on introduction to history, culture and tourism of Odisha	3 rd and 25 th November, 2017 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
EBSB Days with cultural events with dance performances of the States of Punjab and Rajasthan, music performances on Sufi songs and poetry in Marathi and Bengali	4 th November, 2017 in Jabalpur	IIIT, Jabalpur
EBSB Day on Guru Nanak Birthday which would contain performances by Tamil Nadu students on Jammu & Kashmir Culture and vice versa.	4 th November, 2017 in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Day	11 th November, 2017 in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
Poster competition, and Panel Discussion on the topic of Educated Unemployment in Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh	1 st and 2 nd November, 2017, respectively, in Gwalior	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Gwalior
EBSB Cultural day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical), Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama etc.	7 th and 16 th November, 2017 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
EBSB Day with literary events on Bihar and Mizoram as part of Annual Library Week	17 th November, 2017 in Tripura	Tripura University, Tripura
Popular food items of each State would be introduced rotation-wise. Special emphasis would be laid on Andhra food and promotion of Andhra culture. Programmes on language sharing where students from Andhra Pradesh would be introduced to the Punjabi language	1 st - 14 th November, 2017 in Bhatinda	Central University of Punjab, Bhatinda





Educational tour for school students from neighbouring States	24 th November, 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir	Central University of Jammu, Jammu & Kashmir
Telangana folk song competition	17 th November, 2017 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Rangoli competition, and talk on North-East and India's development	15 th and 23 rd November, 2017, respectively, in Bihar	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya
Quiz competition on EBSB	November 2017 in Thiruvapur, Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Photo Exhibition, Natak, highlighting problems of students of Sikkim, and wearing of traditional attire of Sikkim	3 rd , 7 th and 10 th November, 2017, respectively, in Delhi	University of Delhi, Delhi
Competitions in literary and cultural activities containing debate/ elocutions/ essay writing/poster / photography and film making /music and dance. It will also organize film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio.	November 2017 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Fashion show on Rajasthani attire	3 rd November, 2017 in Assam	Tezpur University, Assam
Quiz on the Cultures of India	10 th November, 2017 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Language University, Hyderabad
Library event/Book Exhibition on Mizoram - Bihar	17 th November, 2017 in Mizoram	Mizoram University, Mizoram
A programme on display on Indian heritage through short films or documentary	2 nd Week of November, 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Essay competition on the topic Cultural diversity is the identity of Shreshtha Bharat/ Quiz competition, and programmes on Uttar Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir	1 st -30 th and 16 th -30 th November, 2017, respectively, in Allahabad	University of Allahabad





<p>Social Science Exhibition cum National Integration National Camps which would comprise several competitions on group dance, group song, debate, quiz, skits, projects, on the spot painting, Sanskrit shloka recitation, Hindi Kavya Paath, English elocution, Solo singing and solo classical dance. 50 students and 5 teachers from each of the 25 Regions of Kendriya Vidyalaya would participate in the National Camp</p>	<p>1st and 2nd November, 2017, respectively, in KVS schools all over the country</p>	<p>Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan</p>
<p>Various events in its schools such as Cultural Day, Information Talk & lectures, Role play in Tamil & Hindi and a Skit in Hindi in a school in Puducherry, folk dance and quiz competition, programme on dance concept of Punjab in a school in Andhra Pradesh, Tableau depicting festival, cuisine and dance of Haryana in a school in Telangana</p>	<p>November 2017 in CBSE schools all over the country</p>	<p>CBSE</p>





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar December 2017

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation in Rann Utsav Festival, show casing cultural performance of Chhattisgarh, , Craft Stall, Food Stall, Tours and Trips	December 2017 in Dhordo, Kutch, Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan - (paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Assamese cookery competitions in Girls Colleges	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
If Assamese families are residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize Interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through ATMA scheme	December 2017 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan

Goa – (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Craft & Cuisine festival of Jharkhand	December 2017 in Panaji, Goa	Government of Goa

Tripura – (Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tripura Mahotsav - a cultural team of 30 members along with one Team Leader and Assistant Team Leader will participate	2 nd Week of December, 2017 in Bihar	Government of Tripura

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Rann Utsav 2017-18 showcasing Cultural Performance. Study Tour (NSS & NCC) Chhattisgarh troupe invited	December 2017 in Dhordo, Kutch, Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Tour Programmes at Various locations of Gujarat – Organising familiarisation tours for Tour Operators of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh States	December 2017 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat





Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Jharkhand Folk dance Seraikela, Chhau Workshop	1 st and 2 nd Week of December, 2017 in Goa	Directorate of Art and Culture Department of Tourism, Art, Culture, Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
100 students from Karnataka planned to visit Winter Life Carnival	3 rd Week of December, 2017 in Uttarakhand	Government of Karnataka
Youth and Sports Department to organise a programme – Sportsmen from Karnataka and Uttarakhand	2 nd Week of December, 2017 in Uttarakhand	Department of Youth and Sports, Karnataka, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Buddhist scholars and intellectuals from Maharashtra in International Buddhist Conclave	December 2017 in Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Administration of Oaths/Pledges in Language of Sikkim during Morning Assembly in Schools	2 nd Week of December, 2017 in Delhi schools	Government of Delhi





Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Students Exchange Programme – A team of Students from the Schools of Manipur to visit Madhya Pradesh and participate in the Kalidas Function based on Sanskrit Literature	December 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Manipur
Students Exchange Programme – A team of Students from the Schools of Manipur to visit Madhya Pradesh and participate in the Balrang Festival of Art & Culture and showcase the folk dance, cultural items etc.	20 th -22 nd December, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
School Students Participation - students of partner States to participate in Kalidas Function based on Sanskrit Literature	December 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of School Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh
School Students Participation - students of partner States to participate in Balrang Festival of Art & Culture & showcase the folk dance, theatre & other cultural activities	20 th -22 nd December, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	School Education, Government of India
A Match between the Hockey Teams of Madhya Pradesh and Manipur	December 2017 in Manipur	Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Exchange Programmes - Cultural Troupes from Madhya Pradesh will go to Nagaland to showcase the traditional dance and other art forms in Hornbill festival	December 2017 in Nagaland	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Artisans from Handloom & Handicraft Department will exhibit in Hornbill Festival - Madhya Pradesh Hastshilp Vikas Nigam	December 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	Government of Madhya Pradesh
FAM Tour- Visit of TA/TO of Madhya Pradesh to Nagaland	December 2017 in Nagaland	Tourism Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
School Students Participation - students of partner States to participate in Kalidas Function based on Sanskrit Literature	December 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	School Education Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
School Students Participation - students of partner States may participate in Balrang Festival of Art & Culture & showcase the folk dance, theatre & other cultural activities	20 th -22 nd December, 2017 in Madhya Pradesh	School Education Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
A Match between the Hockey Teams of Madhya Pradesh and Nagaland	December 2017 in Nagaland	Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Seminars, discussions with Rajasthan as the Theme - Literary Festival	22 nd December, 2017 to 2 nd January, 2018 in Assam Prakashan Parishad	Government of Assam

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura ,Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festival at Rajgir with invitation to partner States	27 th – 29 th December, 2017 in Bihar	Government of Bihar





Arunachal Pradesh (Co-partner Meghalaya – Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Orange Festival- Dambuk - Students and Cultural troupes of Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh	15 th -18 th December, 2017 in Meghalaya-Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
NSS/NCC Camp of Students of one State at the location in the partner State, in which about 100 students each would participate	15 th -18 th December, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh-Meghalaya- Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Essay Writing competition in Hindi would be organized for students	15 th -18 th December, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh-Meghalaya	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Translation of at least 5 award winning books, poetry, popular folk songs of one State in the language of Partner State	15 th -18 th December, 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh-Meghalaya- Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tourism Festival - To engage the Youth and local communities of the UT of Chandigarh in various inter-UT competitions and involving them in the celebrations of Tarpa Festival	December 2017	Tourism Department, Dadra & Nagar Haveli. Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Telangana - (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Telangana Tourism Road Show would be held in Haryana where there would be interaction meetings with Travel & Tourism stakeholders	December 2017 in Haryana	Commissioner of Tourism, Telangana, Government of Telangana





During the World Telugu Conference, cultural team from Haryana would be invited to participate in the Conference	15 th -19 th December, 2017 in Telangana	Government of Telangana
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Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Liberation Day Celebrations – Daman & Diu to invite some reputed Social Activists and Artists of UT of Puducherry to take part in Liberation day Celebration. Daman & Diu to provide space to UT of Puducherry to display and showcase their Art and Cuisine in Liberation Day Celebrations. DD would felicitate the winners of Quiz, Essay and Drawing Competitions	19 th December, 2017 in Daman & Diu	Tourism Department, Daman & Diu, Government of Daman and Diu

Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Educational tour of Tripura for College students and lecturers on Mizoram history & culture	December 2017 in Tripura	Higher & Technical Education Department, Government of Mizoram

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Staging of Cultural programmes	December 2017 in Tamil Nadu	J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Inviting Tamil poets for Kavi Goshti	December 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir	University of Jammu, Government of Jammu & Kashmir





50 Students from Tamil Nadu shall be visiting Jammu & Kashmir for 15 days for understanding culture, sentences and proverbs, Oaths/Pledges in two languages of paired States	December 2018 in SMVD University Katra.	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Learning of 5 important words a day of the prevailing language of Tamil Nadu	December 2017 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Inviting Nodal Officers from Tamil Nadu to discuss the strategies for the successful implementation of the scheme	December 2017 at Cluster University of Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between paired States.	December 2017 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Winter Carnival for Students from Karnataka	25 th -30 th December, 2017 in Uttarakhand	Education Department, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Telangana State in International Geeta Jayanti Mahotsav	December 2017 in selected Districts of Haryana	Government of Haryana
Cultural Programme along with Telangana Artists to be organized during Heritage Festival	December 2017 in Pinjore Garden of Haryana.	Government of Haryana





Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals – Students Exchange Programme & Teachers Exchange Programme	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exposure of students to learn songs and opportunity to learn the local language, celebrate traditional festivities	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance to students & teachers	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides, Rovers and Rangers	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Training programmes for educational administrators and teachers	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exchange programmes for students in Vocational Education, ICT and Exchange of Good Practices under Mid Day Meal Scheme	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Essay Competitions and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes for students	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Cultural Programmes in Hotels/restaurants and culinary festivals, dance festivals etc.	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Developing Tour Guides and Home Stay Programmes	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Food Festivals	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Cultural Programmes in Hotels/restaurants and culinary festivals, dance festivals etc.	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department, GoHP – Language Arts and Culture (Jointly with Tourism Department), Government of Himachal Pradesh
Books containing information on the culture of the State will be shared with partner State	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Language Arts and Culture - Jointly with Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Promoting Culture, music of partner States through various modes including Aakashvani, FM Channel etc. and participating in the fair and festivals of the partner State	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Language Arts and Culture - Jointly with Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department will showcase Good Practices and sustainable development of industrial sector in the State through exhibition and share of Good Practices	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Industries Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh

Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	December 2017 in paired States	Government of Tamil Nadu
Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS) Camps involving Youth Clubs and Mahila Mandals of one State at the locations in the Partner State (Inter-State Youth Exchange programme) - Similarly, a team consisting of 50 youth from Tamil Nadu will be visiting Jammu & Kashmir	15 days – 2 nd Week of December, 2017	Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning Alphabets of the prevailing Languages of Partner States - the Alphabets of Jammu & Kashmir State Languages shall displayed in the campus of the partner Universities	November 2017 to January 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu





Invitations to be extended to groups in Paired States for each other's festivals - Tamil Nadu Tourism Department will extend invitation for Indian Dance Festival to be held at Mahabalipuram through South Zone Cultural Centre	Between Last Week of December, 2017 and 3 rd Week of January, 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu
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Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
National Integration Camp (135 NCC Cadets from Sikkim & 16 from Delhi)	10 th December, 2017 in Sikkim	Government of Delhi
Administration of Oaths/Pledges in languages of Sikkim during Morning Assembly in Schools.	2 nd Week of December, 2017 in schools of Delhi	Government of Delhi
Cultural Exchanges, in the forms of Dance, debate, quiz, Tableaux, Delhi Darshan	December 2017 in Delhi	Government of Delhi
National Integration Camp, Republic Day Camp, PM Rally – Delhi.	21 st December, 2017 in Delhi	Government of Delhi

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Heritage Tour for participants from Daman & Diu	December 2017 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lucknow Mahotsava - Cultural Troops & Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh.	25 th November to 5 th December, 2017 in Lucknow	Government of Uttar Pradesh





Archery and Football teams of UP would visit Meghalaya to play exhibition matches and vice-versa	25 th November to 5 th December, 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Contingent of Sports person of U.P. would participate in "Cherapunji Marathon"	25 th November to 5 th December, 2017 in Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Translation of at least 5 Award Winning Books, Poetry, popular folk songs of One State in the Language of the Partner State – Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	December 2017 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
NSS/ NCC Camps of Students of one State at the locations in the Partner State, in which about 100 students each would participate – Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	December 2017 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Essay Writing Competition in Hindi would be organised for students of Meghalaya and meritorious students would be felicitated – Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	December 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Lakshadweep – (Paired with A&N Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Quiz Programs on medieval India History with XI Standard Students of Lakshadweep & Andaman through Video conference	December 2017 in paired States	Government of Lakshadweep

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Football Tournament involving paired UT	December 2017 in Chandigarh	Department of Sports, Chandigarh Administration, Government of Chandigarh





The Akademi will send two groups of Folk Music/ Dance/ Short plays or street plays to Dadra and Nagar Haveli to perform in their major festival, the Festival of Dadra	December 2017 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Department of Cultural Affairs and Chandigarh Sangeet Natak Akademi, Government of Chandigarh
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Meghalaya – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner - Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lucknow Mahotsava – Cultural Troupes and Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh	25 th November – 5 th December, 2017 in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Translation of at least 5 Award Winning Books, Poetry, popular folk songs of one State in the language of the partner State	December 2017 in paired States	Government of Meghalaya
Organising NSS/NCC Camps of students of one State at the locations in the partner State in which about 100 students each would participate	December 2017 in paired States	Government of Meghalaya
Essay writing competition in Hindi would be organised for students of Meghalaya/Arunachal Pradesh	December 2017 in paired States	Government of Meghalaya

Nagaland – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
A team of School Students of about 20-30 shall participate in the Mogli Utsav at Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	November - December 2017 in Nagaland	Department of School Education, Government of Nagaland
Hornbill Festival – Artisans from Handloom & Handicraft Department, Madhya Pradesh, would exhibit in Hornbill Festival	December 2017 in Nagaland	Department of Industries & Commerce, Government of Nagaland
Hornbill Festival – FAM Tour – the visit of TA/TO of Madhya Pradesh to visit Nagaland	December 2017 in Nagaland	Department of Tourism, Government of Nagaland





Hornbill Festival – Cultural Exchange programme – Cultural Troupe from Madhya Pradesh to visit Nagaland	December 2017 in Nagaland	Department of Art & Culture and NEZCC, Government of Nagaland
School students participation - students of partner States may participate in Kalidas Function based on Sanskrit	December 2017 in Nagaland	Government of Nagaland
School Students participation - students of partner States may participate in Balrang Festival of Art & Culture & show-case the folk dance, theatre & other cultural activities	20 th – 22 nd December, 2017 in Nagaland	Government of Nagaland

Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exposure Visits by PRI members	Ralegan Siddhi or Hivre Bazar in Maharashtra in December 2017	Panhayat Raj Department
Inviting Maharashtra weavers & artists to Toshali festival	Odisha December 2017	Government of Odisha
Student visit programme from both States	December 2017, 3 rd week	Department of Education

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres - Meghalaya- Uttar Pradesh, Tripura – Bihar, Nagaland – Madhya Pradesh. A gamut of cultural events have been planned and would be executed for the Mahotsav	December 2017	Ministry of Culture





Ministry of Culture will organise Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav covering the paired States of Meghalaya – Uttar Pradesh. Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav will cover a profusion of art forms from classical and folk music and dance to literature and visual arts	December 2017	Ministry of Culture
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Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Ranchi (Jharkhand) between the paired States of Jharkhand and Goa; Shillong (Meghalaya) between the paired States of Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh; Mumbai (Maharashtra) between the paired States of Maharashtra and Odisha; Dehradun (Uttarakhand) between the paired States of Uttarakhand and Karnataka and Gangtok (Sikkim) between the pair of Sikkim and Delhi	1 st -15 th , 5 th -19 th , 11 th -25 th , 12 th -26 th and 15 th -29 th December, 2017, respectively	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities - Jammu & Kashmir & Tamil Nadu in Jammu & Kashmir	4 th - 10 th December, 2017 in University of Jammu	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Haryana & Telangana	8 th -14 th December, 2017 in Haryana M.D. University	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Delhi & Sikkim	11 th -17 th December, 2017 in Bharati Vidyapeeth's College of Engineering, Delhi	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities - Bihar: Tripura & Mizoram	2 nd Week of December, 2017 in Bihar	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Assam & Rajasthan	2 nd Week of December, 2017 in Assam Majuli Island	Department of Youth Affairs





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Uttar Pradesh: Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	12 th -18 th December, 2017 in M.J.P. Rohilkhand University, Uttar Pradesh	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Odisha: Maharashtra	12 th - 24 th December, 2017 in Utkal University, Odisha	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Jharkhand & Goa	3 rd Week of December, 2017 in BIT Misra, Jharkhand	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Meghalaya/Arunachal Pradesh with Uttar Pradesh	3 rd Week of December, 2017 in NEHU, Meghalaya	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities - Uttarakhand & Karnataka	22 nd -28 th December, 2017 in Dev Sanskriti University, Uttarakhand	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Anadaman & Nicobar Islands & Lakshadweep	23 rd -29 th December, 2017 in Jawaharlal Nehru Rajkeeya Mahavidyalaya, Anadaman & Nicobar Islands	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities - Tamil Nadu: Jammu & Kashmir	23 rd - 29 th December, 2017 in SRM University, Tamil Nadu	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Puducherry & Daman & Diu	23 rd -29 th December, 2017 in Government Youth Hostel, Puducherry	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli	25 th -29 th December, 2017 in GGSDS College, Chandigarh	Department of Youth Affairs





Ministry of Information & Broadcasting Prasar Bharati (All India Radio)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast Programmes on Heritage and Tourism of the paired States/UTs	December 2017	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs	December 2017	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
34 Doordarshan Kendras will telecast for 15 minutes programmes on Music (Folk and Classical)	13 th and 27 th December, 2017, respectively, in Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting





Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz from the paired States of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh	December 2017	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
In addition FHRAI and IATO would advise their local State Associations to provide discounted/economical packages for visitors from the paired States visiting (each other State/UT)	November 2017 to December 2018	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Day for Haryana – Telangana	10 th December, 2017 in Dhanbad	IIT, Dhanbad
EBSB Cultural day which focus on Punjab and Andhra Pradesh	17 th December, 2017 in Bombay	IIT, Bombay
Programme on Drama/Music/Dance with focus on Bihar & Mizoram	28 th December, 2017 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
Workshop on Worli on arts and crafts of Bastar.	December 2017 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
EBSB day with essay competition on Punjab and Andhra Pradesh.	17 th December, 2017 in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam
EBSB days with screening of films and with state specific online quiz.	3 rd and 20 th December, 2017, respectively, in Nagpur	IIM, Nagpur
Debate competition on EBSB	2 nd December, 2017 in Indore	IIM, Indore
Administration of Oaths, Quiz event on Maharashtra and Culture and Photography competition	2 nd , 15 th and 26 th December 2017, respectively, in Sambalpur	IIM, Sambalpur





Institute Day, Christmas and New Year celebration	11 th , 25 th and 31 st December, 2017, respectively, in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Culinary festivals with opportunity to learn culinary practices of the partner States	December 2017 in Bangalore	IIM, Bangalore
Essay competition among students in the language of the partnering state	December 2017 in Kolkata	IIM, Calcutta
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two states and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering states with the help of troupes identify in the home state through cultural competition, exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one state to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering state, encouraging the administrations of both/pledges in the two languages of the pairing states, organizing film festivals in the state with subtitles of the partnering state and organizing photography competition for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering state	December 2017 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode
Feature film in Telugu	16 th -17 th December, 2017 in Rohtak	IIM, Rohtak
EBSB Day with debate and essay writing competition upon Telangana theme and with quiz competition based on Telangana theme	30 th December, 2017 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
EBSB Day with debate competition	7 th December, 2017 in Nagpur	Visvesvarya NIT, Nagpur
Programme on successful hydroelectric schemes at Himachal Pradesh, the partner State of Kerala	December 2017 in Calicut	NIT, Calicut
Visit of 5 students for 10 days to Kerala to know about the culture, tradition, food, festival, etc. of Kerala	20 th -29 th December, 2017 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
EBSB Day with blog competition on EBSB	10 th December, 2017 in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
EBSB Day with exhibition/presentation of photographs by NIT students at different sites in Sikkim	5 th December, 2017 in Delhi	NIT, Delhi





Nagaland food festival and Manipur food festival. It will also organize celebration on Hornbill Festival at NIT, Nagaland	1 st and 6 th December, 2017 respectively, in Bhopal	NIT, Bhopal
Multi-State cuisine festival	13 th December, 2017 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Manipur Food Festival	6 th December, 2017 in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
Photography competition and exhibition	9 th December, 2017 in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
Educational tour to the students in the paired State	December 2017 in Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh	IIIT, Chittoor
Debate essay writing competition upon Telangana theme and a quiz competition based on Telangana theme	30 th -31 st December, 2017 in Sonapat, Haryana	IIIT, Sonapat
Food Fiesta on the taste of Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh	1 st December, 2017 in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh	Atal Bihari Vajpayee IIITM, Gwalior
EBSB Cultural day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama, etc.	4 th December, 2017 in Mohali, Punjab	IISER, Mohali
Film documentary shows related to Tripura and Mizoram	December 2017, in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar
Translation and display of languages of paired States in corridors of Colleges and Universities	6 th -11 th December, 2017 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Quiz competition and tourism related competition on the attractions in the paired States of Tripura and Mizoram and a discussion by the students on a topic "India, between tradition and modernity"	1 st and 4 th December, 2017 in Gaya	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya
Audio –visual lectures and knowledge sharing on Indian history, heritage and traditions. Film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	December 2017 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Programme on Dokara art training, Traditional Dance training and Chhattishgarhi food	18 th -24 th December, 2017 in Chhattisgarh	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidhyala Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh





EBSB cultural days focusing on Assamese alphabets and basic language and film festival and mobile theatres	11 th -13 th December, 2017 in Rajasthan	Central University of Rajasthan
Blog competition on the theme of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	15 th -20 th December, 2017 in Tezpur	Tezpur University
Education tour of students to partnering states.	3 rd December, 2017 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Language University, Hyderabad
Display of slogans on Ek Bharat at various places of the campus on Ek Bahart Shrestha Bharat	December 2017 in Himachal Pradesh	Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Exhibition Gala on EBSB	11 th December, 2017 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
National Quiz competition in various languages on My Gov portal and a photography competition for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering state	10 th and 22 nd December, 2017, respectively, in Garhwal	Hemwati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University
Cultural Fest lectures on environment, languages and history of Uttar Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir	1 st -30 th December, 2017 in Allahabad	University of Allahabad
Visit of all the students participating in the National Camp to visit their paired States during winter break for cultural exchange	Last Week of December, 2017	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
Several programmes in its schools such as heritage quiz, Bengali dance folk & Morden dance competition, Rabindra Sangeet, recitation of Bengali poem by Udaipur students, Dances of Haryana by Hyderabad students, presentation of tradition of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya on Lucknow, Varanasi Mahotsav, Taj Mahotsav and programme by Spic Macay etc.	December 2017	Central Board of Secondary Education





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States/Union Territories

Andhra Pradesh (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exchange of Folk Arts by Punjab in Andhra Pradesh during Amaravati Festival	January 2018	Department of Culture, Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab
Celebration of Lohri festival	January 2018, in selected locations of Andhra Pradesh	Punjab People Association in AP
Fashion Show on famous personalities of Punjab/AP in Ekta Carnival during National Youth Week celebrations	12 th - 20 th January, 2018	Government of Andhra Pradesh

Telangana (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
International Kite Festival at the Aga Khan Academy and People's Plaza, Hyderabad, with participation of a cultural team from Haryana	13 th - 15 th January, 2018 in Hyderabad	Department of Art and Culture, Government of Telangana
Arts and Crafts Mela with the display of fabrics and textiles of Telangana and Haryana	January 2018 in Hyderabad	MD, Golconda, MD TSTDC and Director NIFT, Government of Telangana
Republic Day celebrations with the participation of a cultural team from Haryana	26 th January, 2018 in Hyderabad	Government of Telangana





Jharkhand (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cuisine and Craft Workshop of Jharkhand	1 st -11 th January, 2018 in Goa	Directorate of Art & Culture & Directorate of Handloom, Government of Jharkhand
Lokotsav festival, Goa, with the participation of crafts persons, traditional Jharkhand cuisine and artists of performing arts	12 th -21 st January, 2018 in Goa	Directorate of Art & Culture & Directorate of Handloom, Government of Jharkhand
Exhibition of tableau from Jharkhand in Goa on the eve of celebration of Republic Day in Goa	26 th January, 2018 in Goa	Directorate of Art and Culture, Department of Tourism, Art, Culture, Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Bharat Parv as part of the Republic Day and Independence Day Celebrations with the objective of promoting national integrity and showcasing cultural and culinary diversity to the people of Karnataka – students, cultural troupes, artists of both the States	January 2018 in Bengaluru	Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, Department of Tourism, Karnataka, and Department of Tourism, Uttarakhand
Badami, a prestigious dance festival, with the participation of cultural troupes and performing artistes of both the States	January 2018 in Bengaluru	Kannada and Cultural Department, Karnataka
Bahuroopi drama festival of Bharathiya Rangasikshana Centre with the participation of theatre troupes from Uttarakhand	January 2018 in Bengaluru	Kannada and Cultural Department, Karnataka





Chhattisgarh (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
IKF 2018 Festival showcasing cultural performance, craft stall, food stalls	7 th -14 th January, 2018, Ahmedabad	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
NSS Camp in Jaipur with the participation of 200 students, including 50 students from Assam	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Imparting of preliminary knowledge of Assamese Language to the students of Rajasthan	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture session about Assam organised under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Student exchange programme to study the history, art and culture of Rajasthan and Assam	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
An Exhibition to display the art and culture of Assam	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Teaching 25 popular sentences/proverbs and 2 popular songs of Assam to school and college students	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Sharing of best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration through the ATMA Scheme	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Annual function with focus on Assam (Assamese Songs, Dance, Play etc.)	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Assam Mahotsav – college students	January 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan





Goa (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising of Lokotsav 2018 festival in Goa inviting crafts-persons and performing artists from Jharkhand and with traditional Jharkhand cuisine	12 th - 21 st January, 2018, in Panjim	Government of Goa

Gujarat (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Rann Utsav 2017-18 at Dhordo, Kutch, showcasing cultural performance, study tour (NSS and NCC)	January 2018 in Dhordo, Kutch	Government of Gujarat
Tour Programmes to various locations of Gujarat organising familiarisation tours for tour operators of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh States	January 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
International Kite festival in Ahmedabad consisting of cultural performance, invitation of kites flyers, theme pavilion on EBSB	8 th - 14 January, 2018, Ahmedabad	Government of Gujarat
Educational and heritage tours to various locations of Gujarat	January 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Educational seminars at various schools and colleges of Gujarat with essay competition in the language of Chhattisgarh State (School) and drama competition in the language of Chhattisgarh State (college)	January 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Republic Day celebrations - organising combined tableau with the Chhattisgarh State	26 th January, 2018 in Ahmedabad	Government of Gujarat

Kerala (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural events and Road shows	January 2018 in Shimla	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala.





Translation of 5 Award Winning Books of the partner State	January 2018 in various places in Kerala	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala.
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Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Maharashtra to be made partner State in the Indian Association of Tour Operators convention - Familisation Tour for Tour Operators - from Maharashtra to Odisha	January 2018 in Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra
Participation of Maharashtra artists in the cultural festival of Odisha Tourism – like Mukteswar & Rajarani and Odisha artists in Kala Ghoda, Elephanta & Ajanta festivals	January 2018 in Odisha and Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Poem Recitation Competition in schools in Nepalese Language of Sikkim – Delhi - All Classes, excluding Classes X and XII	3 rd Week of January, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim
Dance of Sikkim by Delhi School students of Classes IX and XI during Kala Utsav, Bhopal	January 2018 in Bhopal	Government of Sikkim

Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner of Manipur - Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Exchange Programmes where Cultural Troupes from Manipur may go to Madhya Pradesh and showcase the traditional dance and other art forms (Lokrang Mahotsav)	26 th - 31 st January, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Art & Culture Department, Government of Manipur





Cultural Dress Exchange where the Team from Manipur may go with the ethnic cultural costumes of different communities of the State and tie up with the Department of Culture, Madhya Pradesh, and organize a Cultural Dress Exhibit where the traditional dresses of both the States could be showcased	26 th - 31 st January, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Art & Culture Department, Government of Manipur
Participation of Parade Contingents in the Republic Day Celebrations of Madhya Pradesh	26 th January, 2018 in Imphal	Home Department, Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur – Co-partner of Manipur – Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Hockey Match between the Hockey Teams of Madhya Pradesh and Manipur	January 2018 in Manipur	Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Cultural Exchange Programmes where Cultural Troupes from Manipur visit Madhya Pradesh & showcase traditional dance & other art forms at Lokrang Mahotsav	26 th - 31 st January, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Cultural Dress Exchange where Team from Manipur visits the State of Madhya Pradesh with the ethnic cultural costumes of the different communities of Manipur State	26 th - 31 st January, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Translation of popular books of Manipur into Hindi	January 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh.

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland – Co-partner - Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Hockey Match between the Teams of Madhya Pradesh and Nagaland in Nagaland	January 2018 in Kohima	Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Organising of Cultural Exchange Programmes where Cultural Troupes from Nagaland visit Madhya Pradesh & showcase traditional dance & other art forms at Lokrang Mahotsav	26 th to 31 st January, 2018	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Organising of Cultural Dress Exchange where Team from Nagaland may visit the State of Madhya Pradesh with the ethnic cultural costume of the different communities of the Nagaland State	26 th to 31 st January, 2018	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Translation of popular books of Nagaland into Hindi	January 2018	Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation in the ceremonial function in the State Capital by the State of Rajasthan on Republic Day Celebrations	26 th January, 2018 in Guwahati	Cultural Affairs Department, Government of Assam

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura (Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visits of Self-Help Groups from Mizoram and Tripura to see the working of Jeevika groups	25 th -30 th January, 2018 in Gaya	Government of Bihar

Arunachal Pradesh (Co-partner Meghalaya – Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Competition related to cultural heritage of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	14 th - 19 th January 2018 in the paired States	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Preparation of combined Tableau and participation of combined parade contingent	26 th January, 2018 in Itanagar in the paired States	Government of Arunachal Pradesh





Preparing and sharing information book on culture, customs, traditions, flora & fauna etc – dissemination to schools & colleges	14 th -19 th January, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Participation of students of Arunachal Pradesh in the Ramayan Conclave hosted by Uttar Pradesh.	14 th -19 th January, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Arranging educational tours for students of identified Government schools from Arunachal Pradesh to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya and vice versa	14 th -19 th January, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	Secondary Education Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Familiarisation tour for tour operators in which tour operators of one State would visit the partner State to see places of tourist interest	20 th – 22 nd January, 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Participation of Students and Cultural troupes of U.P. in Pangsau Pass Winter Festival	20 th -22 nd January, 2018 in Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Quiz Competitions to be held in Marathi & Gujarati languages in the schools.	January 2018 in Chandigarh	Director, School Education, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of people from Puducherry to Daman & Diu for 3 days each to understand the Portuguese Architecture of Daman & Diu, and visit of students of Daman to Puducherry to understand the French Architecture	January 2018 in the paired UTs	Tourism Department, Government of Daman & Diu





Tripura (Co-Partner - Mizoram – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural programme of Mizoram in Tirthamukh Mela, Unakoti Utsav	January 2018 in Tripura	Government of Tripura

Andaman and Nicobar Islands – (Paired with Lakshadweep)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of teachers and Football /Sports team from Andaman & Nicobar Islands for interaction and friendly match	5 th -10 th January,2018 in Lakshadweep	Directorate of Education, Andaman & Nicobar Islands Administration, Government of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exposure visit of historical sites of Bihar for College students etc. Exchange lectures between teachers of Nalanda University and Mizoram University on non-violence and peace accord	January 2018 in Bihar	Government of Mizoram





Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of students of Central University of Kashmir to Alagappa University, Tamil Nadu, for understanding the Tamil Culture, tradition and life-style, listening to lectures of their research, interest areas, learning of alphabets of Tamil language, participation in Arts competition	January 2018 in paired States	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Inviting students from Tamil Nadu to visit heritage sites in the State to be hosted by University of Jammu	January 2018 in paired States	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Learning 5 sentences of the prevailing language of Tamil Nadu and the students from Tamil Nadu studying in partner Universities will assist in the matter	January 2018 in paired States	The Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Government of Tamil Nadu

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Skiing training at Auli – for the students from Karnataka	25 th - 31 st January, 2018 in Auli, Uttarakhand	State Tourism Department of Uttarakhand, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Haryanvi dance Workshop with Telangana Artists and their performance	26 th January, 2018 in Hyderabad	Government of Haryana
Haryanvi /Telangana Dance performance on Republic day	26 th January, 2018 in Chandigarh	Government of Haryana





Photo exhibition based on the visit of photographers from Telangana	26 th January, 2018 in Hyderabad	Government of Haryana
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Punjab – (Paired with Andhra Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exchange of Folk Arts by Punjab in Andhra Pradesh during Amaravathi festival	January 2018 in Hyderabad	Tourism Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh Tourism, Government of Andhra Pradesh
Youth Exchange Programme in Punjab – Youth Service	January 2018 in Punjab,	Chitkara University, Rajpura, and Youth Services Department, Government of Punjab
Food and Craft events in New Delhi	January 2018 in New Delhi	Tourism Departments of Andhra Pradesh & Punjab.
Youth Exchange Programme in Andhra Pradesh	January 2018 in Hyderabad	Youth Services Department, Government of Punjab

Andaman & Nicobar Islands – (Paired with Lakshadweep)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Teachers and Football/Sports team from Andaman & Nicobar Islands for interaction and friendly match	5 th – 10 th January 2018 in Kavaratti	Directorate of Education, Andaman & Nicobar Islands Administration, Government of Andaman & Nicobar Islands





Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exhibitions showcasing achievement of the State exhibiting good practices and display of handloom/handicrafts of the State – Sharing of Good Practices and exhibitions of State Achievements	January 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	HP Handicrafts & Handloom Corporation, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Cultural Programmes in Hotels/restaurants and culinary festivals, dance festivals etc	January 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department. Government of Himachal Pradesh
Developing Tour Guides and Home Stay Programmes	January 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department. Government of Himachal Pradesh
Food Festivals of the paired State cuisine	January 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department. Government of Himachal Pradesh
Sharing of books containing information on the culture of the State with the partner State.	January 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department, Language Arts & Culture, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Promoting Culture, music of partner State through various modes, including Akashvani, FM Channel etc and participation in the fairs and festivals of the partner State	January 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department, Language Arts & Culture, Government of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala
Sharing of Good Practices in Technical Education Sector	January 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Technical Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Showcasing Good Practices and sustainable development of industrial sector in the State through exhibition	January 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Industries Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Special tour packages for the tourists of different age groups of Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir and religious tour packages	January 2018 in paired States	Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation, Government of Tamil Nadu.
Giving concessions for tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between paired States	January 2018 in paired States	Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation, Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning Alphabets of the prevailing Languages of partner States - the Alphabets of Jammu & Kashmir State Languages shall be displayed in the campus of the partner Universities	January 2018 in paired States	Governments of Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir
Invitations to groups in the paired States for each other's festivals – Dance Festival through Zonal Cultural Centres	From 1 st Week to 3 rd Week of January, 2018 in Mahabalipuram, Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Institution of Fellowships for the students from poor family in Jammu & Kashmir to pursue higher studies (PG & Research) in the Universities in Tamil Nadu	January 2018 in Anna University , Alagappa University Manonmaniam Sundaranar University and Tamil Nadu Open University, Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu
Cultural Exchange Programmes by the University Students of partner States - the Cultural Teams from Manonmaniam Sundaranar, Sharathidasan and Alagappa Universities to visit Jammu & Kashmir State	Last week of January 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Tamil Nadu
Translation of one Traditional Folk Song of one State in the Language of Partner State - Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu, to undertake the translation of one Traditional Folk Song in the Language of the partner State	To be completed by last week of January 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning of 5 important words a day of the prevailing Language of Jammu & Kashmir State - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities to assist in learning the words	January 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu





Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural performance on the folk dances of Sikkim	January 2018 in Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies, Rohini, Delhi	Government of NCT Delhi
Cultural Exchanges in the forms of Dance, debate, quiz, Tableaux, Delhi Darshan	January 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT Delhi
National Integration Camp, Republic Day Camp, PM Rally – Delhi	January 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT Delhi
Poem Recitation competition in Schools in Nepalese language of Sikkim – Delhi	3 rd Week of January 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT Delhi
Dance of Sikkim by Delhi School students during Kala Utsav , Bhopal	January 2018 in Bhopal	Government of NCT Delhi
Literary workshop involving authors/ poets as resource persons to interact with students to translate work(s) of authors/ poets in different languages	3 rd – 4 th Week of January, 2018 in Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi	Government of NCT Delhi
Essay competitions in Hindi & English	3 rd Week of January, 2018 in Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, Dwarka, Delhi	Government of NCT Delhi

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Familiarization Tour for tour operators of Daman & Diu	January 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry
Thiruvalluvar Cultural festival	January 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry





Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Competitions related to cultural heritage of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	January 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Preparation of combined Tableau and participation of parade contingent on Ceremonial Occasions	26 th January, 2018 in Lucknow	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Preparing and sharing with Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh a book containing information on the culture, customs, traditions, flora and fauna etc of Uttar Pradesh for dissemination to Schools and Colleges. Meghalaya State also to prepare similar book and make it available to Uttar Pradesh for distribution	January 2018 in paired States	Government of Uttar Pradesh
International Ramayan Conclave	14 th - 19 th January, 2018, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Educational tours for students of identified Government schools from Varanasi, Ayodhya, Allahabad, Agra & Mathura. Similarly students of secondary schools of Meghalaya would visit U.P., Arunachal Pradesh	January 2018 in paired States	Secondary Education Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh
Familiarisation Tour for tour operators of the partner States.	January 2018 in paired States	Tourism Departments of Uttar Pradesh, Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh

Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Students visit programme between States	Till January 2018	Departments of Education, Odisha & Maharashtra
Screening of Odia & Maharashtrian Award winning films in each State	January 2018	Governments of Odisha & Maharashtra
Visit of tribal groups from one State to another	January 2018 onwards till year end	SC/ST Departments of Odisha & Maharashtra





Cycle Rally from Nagpur to Puri on Old Jagannath trail	January 2018	Sports & Youth Affairs Department, Odisha
Participation of Maharashtra artistes in Rajjarani festival	January 2018	Government of Odisha

Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Lakshadweep Foot Ball/Badminton team for holding friendly matches with Andaman team	January 2018	Government of Lakshadweep

Meghalaya – (Paired Uttar Pradesh - Co-partner – Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art competitions related to cultural heritage	January 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
On ceremonial occasions combined Tableau would be prepared and parade contingent would participate	26 th January, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Prepare and share a book containing information on our culture, customs, traditions, flora and fauna etc for dissemination to schools and colleges. Meghalaya State would also prepare similar book and make it available for distribution	January 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
International Ramayan Conclave	14 th - 19 th January, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Educational tours for students of identified Government schools from Varanasi, Ayodhya, Allahabad, Agra and Mathura. Similarly students of secondary schools of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	January 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Department of Secondary Education, Government of Meghalaya





Familiarisation tour for tour operators would be organised with the help of Tourism Department in which tour operators of one State would visit the partner State to see the places of tourism interest and facilities available there and plan package tour accordingly	January 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	Department of Tourism, Government of Meghalaya
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Nagaland – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner - Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural exchange programme - cultural troupes from Nagaland to Madhya Pradesh to showcase traditional dance & other art forms (Lokrang Mahotsav) during Hornbill Festival, 2017	26 th January, 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Nagaland
Photography competition - competition with the partner States - Nagaland to participate	January 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Tourism, Government of Nagaland
Nagaland proposed to invite one parade contingent from Madhya Pradesh during Republic Day and a parade contingent from Nagaland during Independence Day	26 th January, 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Home, Government of Nagaland

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance programme on the eve of Republic Day, 2018 - A Dance Programme would be organised based on Tribal, Folk and Traditional Dances of Dadra and Nagar Haveli by the students of Chandigarh	25 th January, 2018 in Tagore Theatre, Sector-18, Chandigarh	Department of Education, Government of Chandigarh

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture





Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To conduct Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centre for Rajasthan – A gamut of cultural events have been planned and will be executed for the Mahotsav	January 2018	Ministry of Culture
Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav covering the paired States of Tripura and Bihar. Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav will cover a profusion of art forms from classical and folk music and dance to literature and visual arts	January 2018	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inter-State youth exchange programme between the paired States of Goa and Jharkhand	15 th - 29 th January, 2018 in Panaji, Goa	Department of Youth Affairs,
Inter-State youth exchange programme between the paired States of Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	21 st January - 4 th February i2018 in Lucknow	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities - Karnataka & Uttarakhand	5 th - 11 th January, 2018 in University of Agriculture Science, Karnataka	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	2 nd Week of January 2018 in Chitkara University, Punjab	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Himachal Pradesh & Kerala.	2 nd Week of January, 2018, in Abhilashi University, Himachal Pradesh	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Madhya Pradesh & Manipur & Nagaland	19 th - 25 th January, 2018 in Devi Ahilya University Madhya Pradesh	Department of Youth Affairs





Department of Sports

Sports has a key role to play in human bonding. The spirit of competition in games and physical activity involves inter mingling between players, coaches and spectators in a huge way and builds collective team synergy amongst team members with a unifying enthusiasm amongst spectators. In all societies, sports unifies people in a direct, pure & energetic manner. From the month of January onwards, selected sports competitions and demonstrations of traditional games would be conducted across the nation by grouping paired States into teams and holding the events in different States so that spectators can witness & enjoy the special sight of teams being formed on a combined paired State basis. The schedule of sporting events based on pairings is as follows for January:-

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Archery Sports between J&K & TN Vs Punjab & AP	6 th January, 2018 in Vijayawada	Department of Sports
Archery Sports between Haryana & Telangana Vs Uttarakhand & Karnataka	5 th January, 2018 in Sonepat	Department of Sports
Archery Sports between Himachal & Kerala Vs Rajasthan & Assam	6 th January, 2018 in Kochi	Department of Sports
Archery Sports between Gujarat & Chhattisgarh Vs Maharashtra & Odisha	11 th January, 2018 in Bhubaneswar	Department of Sports
Archery Sports between MP, Nagaland & Manipur Vs Delhi & Sikkim	11 th January, 2018 in Imphal	Department of Sports
Archery Sports between Goa & Jharkhand Vs UP, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	12 th January, 2018 in Ranchi	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between J&K and TN Vs Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	10 th January, 2018 in Cochin	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between Himachal & Kerala Vs Uttarakhand & Karnataka	11 th January, 2018 in Cochin	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between Haryana & Telangana Vs Rajasthan & Assam	12 th January, 2018 in Cochin	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between Gujarat & Chhattisgarh Vs Maharashtra & Odisha	12 th January, 2018 in Cochin	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between Goa & Jharkhand Vs Delhi & Sikkim	14 th January, 2018 in Indore	Department of Sports





Football (Girls) Sports between MP, Manipur & Nagaland Vs U.P., Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	14 th January, 2018 in Indore	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram Vs Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli	16 th January, 2018 in Indore	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Sports between Puducherry & Daman & Diu Vs Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands	17 th January, 2018 in Indore	Department of Sports
Football(Boys) Sports between J&K and Tamil Nadu Vs Punjab & AP	15 th January, 2018 in Cuttack	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Himachal & Kerala Vs Uttarakhand & Karnataka	16 th January, 2018 in Cuttack	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Haryana & Telangana Vs Rajasthan & Assam	17 th January, 2018 in Cuttack	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Gujarat & Chhattisgarh Vs Maharashtra & Odisha	18 th January, 2018 in Cuttack	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Goa & Jharkhand Vs. Delhi & Sikkim	19 th January, 2018 in Madgaon	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland Vs U.P., Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	20 th January, 2018 in Madgaon	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram Vs Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli	21 st January, 2018 in Madgaon	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Sports between Puducherry & Daman & Diu Vs Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands	22 nd January, 2018 in Madgaon	Department of Sports
Sports demonstrations in the sports of Kalaripayattu, Mallakhamb and Squay – Haryana & Telangana	20 th - 23 rd January, 2018 in Kurukshetra	Department of Sports

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio (AIR) Stations to broadcast jingles/ short audio clips in respect of all paired States/UTs. AIR Stations will also broadcast programmes on Role in India's Freedom Struggle and Freedom Fighters of the paired States/UTs	January 2018 in all paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India





All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities to produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the paired States/UTs	January 2018 in all capital cities	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India
34 Doordarshan Kendras to telecast 15 minutes programme on folk and classical dances	10 th & 24 th January, 2018 in Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States – IHM Ahmedabad, Gujarat and IHM Raipur, Chhattisgarh	January 2018	Ministry of Tourism
Accommodation for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz in the paired States of Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu	January 2018	Ministry of Tourism
Showcasing of cuisine and cultural aspects of the paired States during the forthcoming Bharat Parv – Republic Day Celebrations	January 2018 in Red Fort, New Delhi	Ministry of Tourism





Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
EBSB Day with focus on Sikkim–Tripura and Maharashtra–Odisha	13 th and 20 th January, 2018, respectively, in Guwahati	IIT, Guwahati
Pongal Celebration and programmes on embroidery of Tamil Nadu–Jammu & Kashmir	January 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
Cultural Days for Punjab – Andhra Pradesh and Uttarakhand – Karnataka.	13 th and 27 th January, 2018, respectively, in Dhanbad	IIT(ISM), Dhanbad
Folk Music performances of the paired States on National Youth Day	12 th January, 2018 in Jodhpur	IIT, Jodhpur
Drama competition with Punjab as the theme, and a power point presentation on Punjab	25 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Tirupati	IIT Tirupati
EBSB Days with a programme comprising students of Punjab & Andhra Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh & Kerala	14 th and 27 th January, 2018, respectively, in Kharagpur	IIT Kharagpur
EBSB Days with programmes by the students of Haryana and Telangana (Pongal) and Punjab & Andhra Pradesh (Republic Day)	15 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
EBSB Days with Bharatnatyam dance and Sufi music along with Pongal celebration with focus on Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir and with various music and dance performances focussing on NE States	11 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Goa	IIT, Goa
Bhangra and Saila Dance of Punjab–Andhra Pradesh, and programmes on translation of award winning songs of Jammu and Kashmir –Tamil Nadu	13 th -14 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
Programmes on costumes/ dress of the partnering States Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu, and food festival on Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	12 th and 19 th January, 2018, respectively, in Madras	IIT, Madras
Programme on Bhangra and Punjabi by Telugu students, and presentation and demonstration of popular festival like Lohri and Baisakhi by Telugu Students	14 th January, 2018 in Palakkad	IIT, Palakkad





EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu, and Punjab and Andhra Pradesh - the programme will contain Choreography and dance, Music, Art and Crafts, Food stalls, Creative writing, Poetry etc.	12 th and 19 th January, 2018, respectively in Roorkee	IIT,Roorkee
Nautanki and Meghalaya Day	21 st January, 2018 in Varanasi	IIT (BHU), Varanasi
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Uttarakhand and Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya and Gujarat & Chhattisgarh	8 th , 15 th and 28 th January, 2018, respectively, in Bombay	IIT, Bombay
Programmes on folk dances and Music of Bihar, Mizoram and Tripura, and Folk dance and Music of Punjab and Andhra Pradesh	13 th and 20 th January, 2018, respectively, in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Days with Music/Dance/Drama, and traditional dance	6 th and 14 th January, 2018, respectively, in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
Stage shows on various dance forms/folk music of Manipur and Nagaland	12 th January, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
Programmes on Dance/songs with focus on Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu and dance/songs of Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	10 th and 17 th January,2018, respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
Programmes on exposure to the languages of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala, and a Film Festival on Uttarakhand & Karnataka	14 th and 21 st January, 2018, respectively, in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam
Programmes encouraging the administration of oath/pledges in the two languages of the pairing States, State-specific quiz competition on TV/Radio/MyGov. in Portal in the language of the partnering States, and encouraging the fashion shows and frequent wearing of attire of partnering States by the students and people of the State	10 th , 26 th , 28 th January, 2018, respectively, in Udaipur	IIM, Udaipur
EBSB Cultural Days with Essay competition and book exhibition.	26 th January, 2018 in Sambalpur	IIM, Sambalpur
Lohri celebration, Pongal celebration, Republic Day, and Chaos	13 th , 14 th -17 th , 26 th , 27 th - 30 th January, 2018, respectively in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad





Combined tableau of partnering States on the occasion of 15 th August and 26 th January. Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the languages of the partnering States and culinary festivals with opportunity to learn culinary practices of the partner States	28 th January, 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore
Drama of other State in the educational institutions of the partnering State	January 2018 in Kolkata	IIM, Calcutta
Programmes on language exposure with focus on Tamil Nadu-Jammu & Kashmir, Literary Festival with focus on Maharashtra & Odisha and programmes on cultural exchange with focus on Rajasthan & Assam	6 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Trichy	IIM, Trichy
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States, their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use ; cultural exchange programmes between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition; exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival; exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State ; encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing States; film festivals in the State with sub-titles of the partnering State; and photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State	January 2018 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode
Folk dances and Folk song competitions based on Telangana theme, and celebration of Makar Sankranti and Kites Festivals. It will also organize “Techsphardha 18” where special invitation will be given to the students of NIT, Warangal, especially the natives of Telangana State to participate in the Technical Festival	14 th -15 th January, respectively, in 2018 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
EBSB Day with elocution competition	11 th January, 2018 in Nagpur	Visvesvaraya NIT, Nagpur
Cultural evening and Rajasthani Kite Festival	13 th January, 2018 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
Traditional/folk dance competition related to Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	26 th January, 2018 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad





Audio/Visual introduction on Tourism and Agriculture activities in Himachal Pradesh	January 2018 in Kozhikode	NIT, Calicut
Visit of 30 students for one- day visit to Kerala for a presentation on Uniqueness of Kerala	12 th January, 2018 in Kerala	NIT, Hamirpur
Kite flying competition	January 2018 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
Visit for 5 days to cultural and historical places like Dandi (Surat), Sabarmati Ashram (Ahmedabad), Rann Utsav (Kutch), Lothal (Ancient City) & Dwarka	2 nd -6 th January, 2018 in Gujarat	Sardar Vallabhbhai NIT, Surat
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of Tamil Nadu & Jammu & Kashmir, and broadcasting of programmes on Jammu & Kashmir on NITT community Radio	6 th and 15 th January, 2018, respectively in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
Essay competition on topics exclusive to the States of Delhi-Sikkim, and on learning and demonstrating culinary practices	19 th and 31 st January, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
Sending students to NIT, Patna, for seven days to participate in a techno-cultural fest, sports activities, telecasting of regional films with sub-titles, blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat etc.	21 st -27 th January, 2018 in Patna	NIT, Mizoram
Programme giving exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs and proverbs in the language of the partnering State.	6 th January, 2018 in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
Essay competition related to social, cultural and history of Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya with competition and slide show/photography competition related to the tourist spots in Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	31 st January, 2018 in Meghalaya in paired States	NIT, Meghalaya
Cultural exchange programme on the partnering States with the help of students of Andhra Pradesh	26 th January, 2018 in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar
Sending students to NIT, Patna, for participation in festival related activity, techno-cultural fest, sports meet, telecasting of regional films, blog competition etc.	20 th - 28 th January, 2018 in Patna	NIT, Agartala
Various cultural events showcasing the cultural events of different States as a competition	26 th January, 2018 in Surathkal	NIT, Surathkal, Karnataka





Tech-Fest workshop on Banjar Kekan (using decorative bamboo poles), Tech-Fest invited talk on Assamese tradition and culture, and competition on flood management (project)	19 th , 20 th and 21 st January, 2018, respectively, in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
Literary and Debating Society's events for all the students	8 th -11 th January, 2018 in Jamshedpur	NIT, Jamshedpur
Techno-Cultural Fest with the participation of students of NIT, Agartala, and NIT, Mizoram. Will also contain sports activities, telecasting of regional films with subtitles, blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	20 th -28 th January, 2018 in Patna	NIT, Patna
Republic Day Celebration with special essay competition related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	26 th January, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	NIT, Arunachal Pradesh
Cultural programme with special focus on Panchmari Utsava and Madhya Pradesh folk arts, Manipur Maibi Dance presentation and folk song and Manipur Cultural Dance	5 th and 25 th , 2018, respectively, in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Cultural programme with special focus on Panchmari Utsava and Madhya Pradesh folk arts, and Manipur folk dance presentation	3 rd and 24 th January, 2018, respectively, in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
Cultural exchange programme with the help of students of Punjab	26 th January, 2018 in Warangal, Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Warangal
Talk on Ek Bharat - Social & Scientific Prospect and mono acting, Mime, Skit, Drama	5 th January, 2018 in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
Essay competition on topics exclusive to the city of Delhi, and Youth Parliament	26.01.2018 and 31.01.2018, respectively, in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim
Talk on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat. Presentation on "All about Daman & Diu" and photography exhibition on Daman & Diu – its history, cultural heritage & lifestyle	5 th and 12 th January, 2018, respectively, in Puducherry	NIT, Puducherry
Celebration of Vasant Panchmi, and Odisha cultural event.	22 nd and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
Partner State festivals and essay writing competition among the students in the language of the paired State	January 2018 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Cultural Day	19 th January, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad





EBSB Cultural Day	13 th January, 2018 in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
Food Court for Tamil Nadu & Jammu, Kashmir Kite Flying Competition for Rajasthan and Bihu Dance programme for Assam. Kabaddi & Dikori (7 Stones) for Haryana & Telangana. Folk Dance for Karnataka & Uttarakhand	14 th , 20 th and 22 nd January, 2018, respectively, in Ropar	IIT, Ropar
EBSB Cultural Days	9 th , 16 th and 23 rd January, 2018 in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
Poster making competition	22 nd - 26 th January, 2018 in Kota	IIIT, Kota
Odisha food festival, and Vasant Panchmi	22 nd and 26 th January, 2018 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
Folk dance and Folk song competition based on Telangana theme, celebration of Makar Sankranti and Kites Festival, and "Techsphardha 18" where special invitation will be given to the students of NIT, Warangal, especially the natives of Telangana State to participate in the Technical Festival	14 th -15 th and 19 th - 21 st January, 2018, respectively, in Sonapat	IIIT, Sonapat
Visit of NIT, Mizoram, students to 3-day cultural programme consisting of broadcasting Regional TV Channels, sports activities, camping, cultural exchange, photography, cycling expedition etc.	18 th -20 th January, 2018 in Bhagalpur	IIIT, Bhagalpur
Singing/dancing/traditional dress competition as per the tradition and culture of Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh	25 th and 26 th , January, 2018, respectively, in Gwalior	Atal Bihari Vajpayee – Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Gwalior
EBSB Cultural Days where Punjabi students will perform on Andhra Pradesh culture and vice-versa; Haryana students will perform on Telangana culture and vice-versa; students of Maharashtra will perform on Odisha culture and vice-versa	13 th , 20 th and 27 th January, 2018, respectively in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Day with the students of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh	24 th January, 2018 in Kolkata	IISER, Kolkata
Sports events on Kabaddi and Kho Kho, and a programme on songs and presentations and Marathi style dress-up competition	13 th and 20 th January, 2018, respectively, in Berhampur	IISER, Berhampur





EBSB cultural day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama etc.	14 th January, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
A Cultural Exchange programme representing the States of the students. It will also celebrate a traditional day where the students can dress in the traditional dress and celebrate Lohri/Makarsankranti.	14 th January, 2018 in Tirupati	IISER, Tirupati
5-day programme on the Baredi, Badhai and Rai dances	3 rd Week of January, 2018 in Sagar	Dr. Hari Singh Gaur Vishwavidyala, Sagar
Staging of a Tripuri Play by students	January 2018 in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar
Bihar Day, and Mizoram Day during UDBHAS (Annual Cultural Fest of Tripura University). It will organize photo exhibitions on Mizoram and Bihar as a part of Republic Day	20 th , 22 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Tripura	Tripura University
Adventure camp by the University level students in other States	13 th -17 th January, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Poster making competition with slogans on cultural unity/national unity /national integrity	4 th January, 2018 in Gaya	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya
Screening of Jammu & Kashmir movies with Sub-titles	January 2018 in Thiruvapur	Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvapur
Street play related to Sikkim Culture and essay writing competition on socio-cultural life of Sikkim	5 th and 19 th January, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	University of Delhi
Audio-visual lectures and knowledge sharing on Indian history, heritage, traditions; film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture; broadcasting of programmes on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	January 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Magh Bihu festival celebration, and combined celebration of Republic Day with Assamese guests	13 th -14 th and 26 th January, 2018, respectively, in Rajasthan	Central University of Rajasthan
NSS Camp on National Integration	1 st - 7 th January, 2018 in Jaipur	Tezpur University
Kuchch Festival on Gujarati art & culture and training on Kuchch embroidery and handicraft	12 th -20 th January, 2018 in Kutch, Gujarat	Central University of Gujarat





Programme on sports activities	12 th January, 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Programme on encouraging the administration of the oaths/ pledges in the two languages of the pairing States and combined tableau of the partnering States	26 th January, 2018 in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
Culinary festival, Harvest festival and Music and Dance festival Makarsankranti/Bihu/Pongal and Photography competition on the sites places and objects the partnering States	12 th , 13 th and 19 th January, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Performance and workshop based on dance	14 th -21 st January, 2018 in Koraput	Central University of Koraput
Kala Utsav at Regional Institutes of Education, Bhopal	2 nd - 06 th January, 2018 in Bhopal	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
Various programmes in its schools such as folk dances and songs from West Bengal by Udaipur students; training of students of Bengaluru in the folk dances of Uttrakhand; music event and folk dances of Odisha by Maharashtra students; role play in Hindi and Tamil by Puducherry students; and Himachal painting by Kerala students, Taj Mahotsav etc.	January 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country	Central Board for Secondary Education
Visit to Maghmela at Sangam, Allahabad. Photography competition on nature, traditional dance, drama and singing of Jammu & Kashmir and U.P.	1 st -15 January and 21 st – 15 th February, 2018, respectively, in Allahabad	University of Allahabad





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar February 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh to participate in Rann Utsav Festival, show-casing Cultural performance, Craft Stall, Food Stall, Tours and Trips.	February 2018 in Dhordo, Kutch	Government of Chhattisgarh
Devmogra Fair showcasing cultural performance by tribal artists of Chhattisgarh	25 th - 27 th February, 2018 in Devmogra	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Three days NSS camp in Jaipur. 50 Assamese students will participate. Totally there would be 200 students of colleges	3 days of February, 2018 in Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese languages	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize Interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Exhibition to display the art and culture of Assam.	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Teaching 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To share best practices in the field in agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through the ATMA scheme	February 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Annual Functions with Assamese Songs, Dance, Play, etc.	February 2018 in Assam	Government of Rajasthan
Celebration of Assam Mahotsav for all College Students	February 2018 in Colleges of Assam	Government of Rajasthan

Goa – (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inviting performing artists for Carnival, Shigmotsav	February 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa
Inviting 125 NCC and NSS Volunteers from Jharkhand to participate in adventure programmes in Goa	February 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa
Carnival Tourism and invitation to Jharkhand	February 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Promoting Home stay culture in Sasan Gir / Saputara/ Kutch	February 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat





Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
FAM Tour for Tour Guides	February 2018 in Kerala	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Sports Festivals, Blog Competitions, Photography, Cycling Competitions with the students of partner State	February 2018 in Kerala	Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of Kerala

Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising friendly hockey matches	February 2018 in Punjab	Department of Sports, Government of Andhra Pradesh
Translating Award winning books into the language of paired State	February 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	Government of Andhra Pradesh

Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation by Jharkhand Artists in Goa Carnival & Shigmotsav	February 2018 in Goa	Directorate of Art & Culture & Directorate of Handloom, Government of Jharkhand.
Introducing Konkani Alphabet – 100 sentences 20 proverbs, Goa History, Culture, Tourism, Sports, Agriculture, Commerce as Booklet in Middle & Primary Schools of Jharkhand	February 2018 in Jharkhand	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand.
PRD will start telecast of programmes of Goa on Doordarshan TV Channels	February 2018 in Jharkhand	Directorate of PRD, Government of Jharkhand





Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Badami - prestigious dance festival with cultural troupes, performing artists of both the States	February 2018 in Karnataka	Kannada and Cultural Department, Government of Karnataka
Celebrating Vasantahabba and performance by Classical Dancers from both the States	1 st Saturday of February, 2018 in Hessaraghatta, Bengaluru Rural District, Karnataka	Kannada and Cultural Department, Government of Karnataka
International Film Festival and inviting, film artists, and artistes from Uttarakhand	February 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Information, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising Cycle rally from Nagpur to Puri on the old Jagannath trail	February 2018 in Maharashtra	Sports & Youth Affairs Department, Government of Maharashtra
Inviting Odisha weavers and folk artists to Amravati for Loktarang Mahotsav	February 2018 in Amravati, Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra
Student visit programmes from both the States	February 2018 in paired States	NCC and Higher Education Department, Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Student exchange between paired States	23 rd - 28 th January, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim





Sharing of best practices in governance in the fields of health care, education, sanitation and use of technology	23 rd January -2 nd February, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim
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Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner of Manipur - Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Photography Competition with the Partner States	February 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department, Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur – Co-partner - Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Photography competition with the Partner States	February 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Visit for showcasing art by the fine-art artists – to visit camps and colleges	February 2018 in Manipur and Nagaland	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland – Co-partner – Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Photography competition with the partner States	February 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Visit for showcasing art by the fine-art artists – to visit camps and colleges	February 2018 in Manipur and Nagaland	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participating in fair/ visit to farms by farmers from Rajasthan and farmers interaction/exchange programmes	1 st Week of February, 2018	Agriculture Department, Government of Assam

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura - Co-partner - Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visits to archaeological sites of Bihar and Bihar Museum by teams of experts and students from Mizoram and Tripura	15 th - 22 nd February, 2018 in Bihar. Nalanda, Vikramshila, Patna and other suitable sites	Government of Bihar

Arunachal Pradesh – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh - Co-partner of Arunachal Pradesh – Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Celebrating Taj Mahotsava with Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh	February 2018 in Agra, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Familiarisation Tour for tour operators with the help of Tourism Department in which tour operators of one State would visit the partner State of Uttar Pradesh to see places of tourist interest, facilities available there and plan accordingly	February 2018 in paired States	Government of Arunachal Pradesh





Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Two sports tournaments each	February 2018 in Chandigarh and Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Sports Departments, Government of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Government of Chandigarh

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Experiencing the Fisherman Culture of DD - UT of Puducherry to send a group of fishermen so that they can interact with each other and understand the culture	February 2018 in Daman & Diu	Fisheries Department, Government of Daman and Diu
Inviting young, enthusiastic people for Water Sports Activities, learning and experience Para-sailing, sunbathing, surfing and swimming activities	February 2018 in Diu	Tourism Department, Government of Daman & Diu

Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Performance and presentation of Folk dances of Mizoram	February 2018 in Bihar	Art & Culture Department, Government of Bihar

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inviting artists from Tamil Nadu to stage their performances	February 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, Government of Jammu & Kashmir





Inviting contingents from Tamil Nadu to stage Dramas in their language	February 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	University of Jammu, Government of Jammu & Kashmir
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Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participating in Uttarakhand Travel Mart	18 th - 21 st February, 2018	Tourism Department of Uttarakhand & Travel Agents from Karnataka, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Haryanvi dance Performance by Telangana Artists in Surajkund Craft Mela	February 2018 in Faridabad, Haryana	Government of Haryana

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exhibitions showcasing achievement of the State exhibiting good practices and display of handloom/handicrafts of the State and exhibitions of State Achievements	February 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	HP Handicrafts & Handloom Corporation, Government of Haryana
Sharing of Good Practices in Technical Education Sector	February 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Technical Education Department, Government of Haryana
Multimedia enabled v/s travel for showcasing partner States Culture, supplemented by troupes/artists	February 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Information and Public Relations Department, Government of Haryana





Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Creating special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States - Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	February 2018 in paired States	Government of Tamil Nadu
Giving concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States - Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu.	February 2018 in paired States	Department of Tourism, Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning of 5 important Words a day of the prevailing Language of Jammu & Kashmir State - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in learning the words	January to March 2018 in Tamil Nadu.	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Garden tourism festival showcasing the floriculture and horticultural features of Sikkim	3 rd Week of February, 2018 in Garden of five senses, Delhi	Government of Delhi
Annual Spring festival Baardeisikhla to celebrate the onset of springs in the North East – Theme Sikkim	February 2018 in Delhi	Ambedkar University Delhi, Government of Delhi
Under students exchange programme - Visit of College/ University students of Sikkim to Delhi	End of February, 2018, in Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, Dwarka, Delhi	Government of Delhi
Visit of school students of Sikkim for sharing of best practices in governance in the field of health care, education, sanitation and use of technology	23 rd - 28 th February, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Delhi





Photography exhibition-cum-competition and Audio Visual session highlighting rich cultural aspects of Sikkim	February 2018 in Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies, Rohini, Delhi	Government of Delhi
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Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Celebrating Children's festival	February 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry
Celebrating Beach Festival and Connecting shores	February 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Lakshadweep – (Paired with A&N Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of degree level students from University Centre and DIET to Andamans	February 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep

Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Celebrating Taj Mahotsava - Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	February 2018 in Agra, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Familiarisation tour for tour operators in which tour operators of one State would visit the partner States to see the places of tourist interest and facilities available there and plan package tour accordingly	February 2018 in paired States	Tourism Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh





Meghalaya – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Taj Mahotsava – Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	February 2018 in Agra, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Familiarisation tour for tour operators would be organised with the help of Tourism Department in which tour operators of one State would visit the partner State to see the places of tourist interest and facilities available there and plan package tour accordingly	February 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Department of Tourism, Government of Meghalaya

Nagaland – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Artist from fine art field to visit Nagaland to show-case their art	February 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Nagaland

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Youth Exchange Programme - State NSS Cell, Department of Higher Education, would send a team of 50 NSS volunteers along with Programme Officer to Dadra and Nagar Haveli to depict various aspects of culture and heritage of their respective UTs during the programme	February 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Education, Chandigarh Administration





Rose Festival - Mega Annual Event, Rose Festival would be celebrated in February. Approximately 45 stalls would be put up in the hangar as well as in the open area of Leisure Valley, Sector 10. The CIHM, IHM, CITCO and other reputed agencies would put up their eatable stalls at Leisure Valley. The famous cuisines of Dadra and Nagar Haveli would be on the platter for the food lovers. The students and Eminent Fine Artists of the partner State shall be invited to participate in fun and frolic activities	February 2018 in Leisure Valley, Chandigarh	Department of Tourism, Government of Chandigarh
Wall Painting Mural Design - A wall Painting, Mural Design based on the Traditional Art of Dadra and Nagar Haveli to be put up by the Artists of Dadra and Nagar Haveli	February 2018 in Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi	Government of Chandigarh

Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Screening of Marathi and Odia award winning films in both States	February 2018 in both States	Governments of Odisha & Maharashtra
Participation of Maharashtra artists in Mukhteswar festival of Odisha	February 2018 in Odisha	Government of Odisha
Participation of Panchayat Raj Institutions Members of Odisha at Ralegan Siddhi	February 2018 in Ralegan Siddhi, Maharashtra	Government of Odisha

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Conducting Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support of Zonal Cultural Centres - A gamut of cultural events have been planned and will be executed for the Mahotsav	February 2018 in Gujarat	Zonal Cultural Centres for Chhattisgarh and Gujarat, Ministry of Culture





Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav covering the paired States of Himachal Pradesh – Kerala. Will cover a profusion of art forms from classical and folk music and dance to literature and visual arts	February 2018 in paired States	Ministry of Culture
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Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities Maharashtra & Odisha	1 st - 5 th February, 2018 in Nagpur, Maharashtra	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities Goa-Jharkhand	15 th - 19 th February, 2018 in Goa	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Manipur, Imphal	2 nd Week of February, 2018 in Imphal, Madhya Pradesh	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Stations will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. AIR Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Tribal and Folk Songs of the paired States/UTs	February 2018 in paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs	February 2018 in paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting





<p>34 Doordarshan Kendras will telecast for 15 minutes programmes on cuisine</p>	<p>14th - 28th February, 2018, Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar</p>	<p>Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting</p>
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Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States - IHM Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir and IHM Chennai, Tamil Nadu.</p>	<p>February 2018</p>	<p>Ministry of Tourism</p>
<p>Accommodation for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz for the paired States of Delhi, Sikkim & Assam.</p>	<p>February 2018</p>	<p>Ministry of Tourism</p>

Department of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Kho Kho Sports between Haryana & Telangana Vs Gujarat & Chhattisgarh</p>	<p>3rd February, 2018 in Vadodara, Gujarat</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Kho Kho Sports between Himachal & Kerala Vs Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands</p>	<p>10th February, 2018 in Thiruvananthapuram</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>





Kho Kho Sports between Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu Vs Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland	17 th February, 2018 in Indore	Department of Sports
Kho Kho Sports between Delhi & Sikkim Vs U.P., Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	24 th February, 2018 in Delhi	Department of Sports
Archery - Quarter finals of Archery sports of January round winners	2 nd - 3 rd February, 2018, Location based on earlier winners	Department of Sports
Archery – Semi-Finals of Archery Sports	17 th - 18 th February, 2018, Locations based on the earlier winners	Department of Sports
Yachting Sports between Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu Vs Maharashtra & Odisha (Exhibition)	12 th - 15 th February, 2018 in Chennai	Department of Sports
Demonstrations in the traditional sports of Squay, Mallakhamb and Kalaripayattu would be held for the pair Goa & Jharkhand	3 rd - 6 th February, 2018 in Madgaon, Maharashtra	Department of Sports

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
EBSB Day with focus on Assam & Rajasthan	17 th February, 2018 in Guwahati	IIT, Guwahati
Cultural Day for Rajasthan & Assam	10 th February, 2018 in Dhanbad	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
Discussion on Regional Literature & eminent Regional writers and Poets on International Mother Language Day	21 st February, 2018 in Jodhpur	IIT Jodhpur
Quiz on Punjab and debate related to issues in Punjab	24 th and 25 th February, 2018, respectively, in Tirupati	IIT, Tirupati
EBSB Cultural Day with the students of Uttarakhand & Karnataka and Haryana & Telangana	4 th and 11 th February, 2018, respectively, in Kharagpur	IIT Kharagpur





EBSB Cultural Day with the students of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland and Uttarakhand & Karnataka	12 th and 21 st February, 2018 respectively, in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
A programme on Chikankari exhibition and Laser Video with focus on Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh	February 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
Programme on folk Marathi music and Odishi dance	14 th February, 2018 in Goa	IIT, Goa
Cultural programme with focus on Himachal Pradesh and Kerala	17 th - 18 th February, 2018 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on costume dress of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala and with focus on dance of Uttarakhand and Karnataka	2 nd and 9 th February, 2018, respectively, in Chennai	IIT, Madras
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Himachal Pradesh and Kerala and Uttarakhand and Karnataka. The Programme will contain Choreography and dance, Music, Art and Crafts, food stalls, Creative writing, Poetry etc.	2 nd and 9 th February, 2018 in Roorkee	IIT, Roorkee
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Himachal Pradesh and Kerala and Bihar, Tripura and Mizoram	2 nd and 10 th February, 2018, respectively, in Mumbai	IIT, Bombay
Programmes on dance and music of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala	10 th February, 2018 in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on traditional games of Uttarakhand and Karnataka	14 th February, 2018 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
Techno-culture festival, Fluxus, with cultural activities on dance shows, street acts, musical performances, drama - the theme will be on the various art forms of Manipur and Nagaland	9 th - 12 th February, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
Programmes on dance/songs of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala	21 st February, 2018 in Delhi	IIT Delhi
Valentine's Day ,Batch T - Shirt design competition, Mother Tongue Day, and Personality of the Year Awards function	14 th , 19 th , 21 st and 27 th February, 2018, respectively, in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States and culinary festivals with opportunity to learn culinary practices of the partner States	February 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore





Promotion of Rajya Darshan and run for tourists from the partnering State	February 2018 in Kolkata	IIM, Calcutta
Culinary festival with focus on Kerala & Himachal Pradesh	18 th February, 2018 in Trichy	IIM, Trichy
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use cultural exchange programmes between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition; exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival; exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State; encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing States; organizing film festivals in the State with sub-titles of the partnering State and organizing photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places & objects in the partnering State	February 2018 in paired States	IIM, Kozhikode
A literary meet on Haryana & Telangana	4 th February, 2018 in Vishakhapatnam	IIM, Vishakhapatnam
Programmes on Home stay and culture in Nagpur, Sambalpur, and online State specific quiz	10 th , 20 th , 25 th February, 2018, respectively	IIM, Nagpur
Quiz competition	24 th February, 2018 in Indore	IIM, Indore
EBSB Cultural Days with exchange programmes for writers and poets in the form of literary festival, with exposure of students of one State to the alphabet, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State, and culinary festival with opportunity to learn culinary practices of the partner State.	24 th , 25 th and 28 th February, 2018, respectively, in Udaipur	IIM, Udaipur
Cultural tour, and street play of Marathi drama	10 th and 28 th February, 2018, respectively, in Sambalpur	IIM, Sambalpur
Programme on demonstration of the tourist attractions of Delhi, and Brain Tech (Quiz) for NIT Delhi and Sikkim	7 th and 28 th February, 2018, respectively, in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim





One-act play on the history / culture of Daman & Diu, with solo and group dance competition/performance on the folk music of Daman & Diu by the students of NIT, Puducherry	9 th and 16 th February, 2018, respectively, in Puducherry	NIT, Puducherry
Cultural festival “Confluence 18” where special invitation will be given to the students of NIT, Warangal, especially the natives of Telangana State, to participate in the cultural festival	16 th -18 th February, 2018 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
Language competition	15 th February, 2018 in Nagpur	Visvesvaraya NIT, Nagpur
Programme on Rajasthani culture during its programme, “Incandescence”	16 th -19 th February, 2018 in Silchar	NIT Silchar
Programme where the students will be introduced to Himachal Pradesh woollen and pashmina shawls, carpets, silver and metal-ware, embroidered chappals, Kangra and Gompa style paintings, horse-hair bangles, wooden and metal utensils	February 2018 in Kozhikode	NIT, Calicut
A visit of 25 students to Kerala food festival	9 th February, 2018 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
Competition on embroidery workshop, Gujarati group theatre, painting competition cum exhibition event, rangoli competition, Gujarati food cooking competition, Gujarati folk dance, Gujarati folk song and sketching art marathon	February 2018 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
Competition for development of Website on the themes -culture of Gujarat & culture of Chhattisgarh where the students of Chhattisgarh and Gujarat can explore the cultures of the other State	February 2018 in Surat	Sardar Vallabhbhai NIT, Surat
EBSB Cultural Day giving exposure of students of one State to alphabet, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the language of the partnering State of Jammu & Kashmir, and film festival in the languages of Jammu & Kashmir with sub-titles	9 th and 21 st -22 nd February, 2018, respectively, in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
Learning and exchanging home stay culture for visitors from Delhi/Sikkim and exposure to alphabets, songs and sentences in the languages of Delhi/Sikkim	7 th and 28 th February, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
Function, “Cliffesto” 2018 where advertisement of the partnering State will be made. Educational tour by the Institute’s students reciprocally in the partnering State to bring out salient features of that State	16 th -18 th and 24 th February - 4 th March 2018, respectively, in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand





Competition on traditional/folks songs related to Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya	23 rd February, 2018 in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
Programme encouraging the administration of oaths/pledges in the languages of pairing States of Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	21 st February, 2018 in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar
Fusion street play with dance performances pertaining to their paired State. Celebration of India Diversity week where cultural events of different States will be put up and classic regional movies played; food stalls pertaining to these States will also be put up	1 st , 4 th -9 th February, 2018, respectively, in Surathkal, Karnataka	NIT, Karnataka, Surathkal
Programme by Blitzschlag Band and by SPIC MACAY on instruments of Assam, song (Naworia Geet), dance (Bagurbimba), and NIT, Silchar Cultural Fest	2 nd , 3 rd and 16 th February, 2018, respectively, in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
Performances on music dance, dramatics, annual cultural fest and quiz competitions for the quiz club members	2 nd -4 th , 9 th -11 th and 20 th February, 2018, respectively, in Jamshedpur	NIT Jamshedpur
Celebration on Statehood Day – Arunachal Pradesh (culinary and food) related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	February 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	NIT, Arunachal Pradesh
Musical programme in connection with Allauddin Khan - Sangeet Samorah/Alha songs, and special cultural programme on Manipuri Culture with special focus on Thabal Chongba festival	3 rd and 28 th February, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Musical programme in connection with Allauddin Khan Sangeet Samaroh	6 th February, 2018 in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
A three-day cultural mega festival assemblage of performing art and visual art along with literature, seminar on Indian Culture, traditional, talk and lecture demonstration on performing & visual art by eminent artists	2 nd -4 th , 3 rd and 4 th , 2018, respectively, in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
EBSB Cultural Day with Bhangra Dance	17 th February, 2018	NIT, Goa
Programme encouraging the administration of oaths/pledges in different languages	21 st February, 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
EBSB Cultural Day and Odisha cultural event	17 th February, 2018 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur





Blog Competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	February 2018 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Cultural Day	9 th February, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Days	3 rd and 17 th February, 2018, respectively, in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
EBSB Cultural Days	6 th , 13 th and 20 th February, 2018, respectively in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
Event "Confluence 18", where special invitation will be given to the students of NIT, Warangal, especially the natives of Telangana State to participate in the cultural festival	16 th -18 th February, 2018 in Sonapat	IIIT, Sonapat
Cultural events having two dance performances of Manipur and Uttar Pradesh, two music performances on Indian classical music and poetry in Kashmiri and Hindi	3 rd February, 2018 in Jabalpur	IIIT, Jabalpur
Extempore competition on the topic of cultural heritage of Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh, with Poetry competition on the theme of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	21 st and 22 nd February, 2018, respectively, in Gwalior	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Gwalior
EBSB Cultural Days where Uttar Pradesh students will perform on Arunachal Pradesh culture and vice versa; Chandigarh students will perform on Dadra culture and vice - versa	17 th and 24 th February, 2018, respectively, in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on Rajasthan and Assam	21 st February, 2018 in Kolkata	IISER, Kolkata
Essay competition, display of movies and quiz competition	3 rd , 10 th and 17 th February, 2018, respectively, in Berhampur	IISER, Berhampur
EBSB Cultural Days with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama etc.	3 rd , and 14 th February, 2018, respectively in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Programme on folk songs and folk orchestra	2 nd Week of February, 2018 in Sagar	Dr. Hari Singh Gaur Vishwavidyala, Sagar





Function on MIZTRI LITFEST with the theme of Recitation and Elucidation of Literature of Mizoram and Tripura	1 st and 3 rd Week of February, 2018, respectively, in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar
Mizo film show, and Bhasha Divas having lectures on the languages of Bihar and Mizoram	20 th and 21 st February, 2018, respectively, in Tripura	Tripura University
Food carnival where the students of each State will be allotted a stall where it will prepare food and sell on "no profit no loss" basis. Bharat Darshan where all the States shall be given single stage to perform cultural programmes	21 st - 28 th and 27 th February, 2018, respectively in Punjab, Bhatinda	Central University of Punjab, Bhatinda
Drama, song and skits in the cultural festival at Alagappa University, Tamil Nadu	22 nd -26 th February, 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Jammu
Telangana Folk Dance Competition	7 th February, 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Speech/essay competition on National Integrity	15 th February, 2018 in Bihar	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya
Invite guests from Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, or Jammu & Kashmir to share about Jammu & Kashmir Culture and Tourism	February 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Exhibition on handicrafts/folk dances of Sikkim, exhibition on tourism in Sikkim, dance & fashion show, and essay competition on culture of Sikkim	2 nd , 13 th , 16 th and 27 th February, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	University of Delhi
Audio-visual lectures and knowledge sharing on Indian history, heritage & traditions, film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles, reflecting multiplicity of Indian heritage & culture and broadcasting programme on Indian culture & heritage on campus radio	February 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Lectures on the native languages of Mizoram, Bihar and Tripura on Bhasha Divas	21 st February, 2018 in Mizoram	Mizoram University
Literature & art exhibition, and Assamese craft-mela	2 nd and 6 th February, 2018, respectively, in Rajasthan.	Central University of Rajasthan
Photography competition	1 st - 27 th February, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University
Cultural programme	2 nd February, 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala





Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States and their translations & dissemination for interchangeable use	5 th -9 th February, 2018 in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
Quiz competition on Indian Geography, History and culture.	February 2018 in Shillong	North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong
Literary festival with the poets from the partnering State Haryana	2 nd February, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Display of culture and heritage of Uttar Pradesh & Jammu & Kashmir through posters and photographs	15 th - 29 th February, 2018 in Allahabad	University of Allahabad
Several programmes in its schools such as Varanasi Mahotsav, Group dance competition, workshop on Madhubani paintings by Assam students, Dramatisation of important festivals of Rajasthan in West Bengal, food festival etc.	February 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country	Central Board of Secondary Education
Organize several programmes in the schools such as excursions to historical places, quiz competition based on the historical places with art teachers, visit and stay with the families of other migrated students, one- day morning assembly activities to be conducted in the languages of the migrated students, literary competitions like essay writing, debate & elocution and quiz on the issues of local importance in the language etc.	February 2018 in NVS schools located all over the country	Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar March 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh will be participating in Unai Tribal Festival, showcasing cultural performance by tribal artists of Chhattisgarh	3 rd and 4 th March, 2018 in Unai, Navsari District,Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language</p> <p>Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges</p> <p>For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language</p> <p>Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States</p> <p>An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam</p> <p>To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students</p> <p>To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through ATMA scheme</p>	All activities in March 2018	Government of Rajasthan





Goa – (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inviting performing artists from Jharkhand for Carnival & Shigmotsav	March 2018	Government of Goa

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of award winning books and award winning songs from Chhattisgarh	March 2018	Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sharing State specific Arts and Handicrafts / Handlooms	March 2018	Government of Kerala

Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Jharkhand Artists in Goa Carnival & Shigmotsav	March 2018	Directorate of Art & Culture & Directorate of Handloom, Government of Jharkhand
Introduction of Konkani Alphabet – 100 sentences, 20 proverbs, Goa History, Culture, Tourism, Sports, Agriculture, Commerce – as a Booklet in Middle & Primary Schools of Jharkhand	2 nd week of March 2018	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand





PRD will start telecast of programmes of Goa on Doordarshan TV Channels	March 2018	Directorate of PRD, Government of Jharkhand
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Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tourism to UNESCO's shortlisted World Heritage properties: Hoysala Architecture Series, including Belur, Halebeedu and Somnathpura - for Higher Education, students of Uttarakhand	3 rd Week of March, 2018	Department of Tourism and Department of Collegiate Education & History and Archaeology, Government of Karnataka
Workshop/Conference for journalists – journalists from Uttarakhand and Karnataka	March 2018	Department of Information, Karnataka, and Karnataka Media Academy, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Festival of Odisha (Cultural programmes and handicraft display) at Gateway of India and sand art workshop in Chowpatty/Juhu beach by Odisha artists	March 2018 in Mumbai	Government of Maharashtra
Screening of Marathi and Odia award winning films	March 2018	Government of Maharashtra
Student visit programmes from both the States	March 2018	NCC and Higher Education Department





Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising essay competitions and online quizzes on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, with State specific themes – involving students of classes other than those appearing in CBSE, ICSE Examination	2 nd Week of March, 2018	Government of Sikkim
Cultural programmes in hotels and restaurants, special events on Ek Bharat State Specific themes – this has been proposed to be clubbed with the Kala Utsav being organised under the banner of RMSA	March 2018	Government of Sikkim
Sponsoring literature translation	March 2018	Government of Sikkim
Teacher Exchange Programme	March 2018	Government of Sikkim
Celebration of Sikkim Week in State Universities and 12 Colleges (100% funded by GNCTD) – for College and University Students	3 rd Week of March, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Seminar on Travel & Tourism - A seminar for TA / Tour Operators of the partner States will be organised to explore the tourism sector of Madhya Pradesh	March 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Seminar on Travel & Tourism - A seminar for TA / Tour Operators of the partner States will be organised to explore the tourism sector of Madhya Pradesh	March 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Telangana – (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
World Poetry Day – Inviting Haryana poets to participate in celebration	March 2018, Ravindra Bharathi, Hyderabad	Department of Language & Culture, Government of Telangana
Ugadi celebrations in Hyderabad – Cultural team from Haryana will be invited to participate	March 2018	Department of Language & Culture, Government of Telangana

Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Handloom and Handicrafts artisans of Assam to visit Rajasthan as an Exposure for Artisans	1 st Week of March, 2018	Handloom and Textiles Department, Government of Assam

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura -Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Culinary Festivals by teams from Mizoram and Tripura at Bihar Diwas events	22 nd to 23 rd March, 2018, Bihar	Government of Bihar

Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Familiarization tours of Bihar for Tour Operators of Mizoram	March 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Mizoram





Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Photography competition for the students of Tamil Nadu and Jammu to be held in the University of Jammu	March 2018 in University of Jammu	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Joint NSS camp for students of the paired States to be held at SMVD University, Katra, Jammu	March 2018 in SMVD University, Katra	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
International Yoga / Beatles Festival – Yoga seekers from Karnataka to be invited	1 st to 7 th March, 2018	Department of Tourism, Department of Ayush, Government of Uttarakhand
Paragliding Festival for Students from Karnataka	March 2018 in Pithoragarh	Department of Tourism, Government of Uttarakhand
Holi Festival (Cultural) Almora – Cultural troupes from Karnataka to be invited	March 2018 in Almora	Department of Culture, Department of Education, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Clay Modelling Workshop	March 2018 in Telangana	Government of Haryana





Himachal Pradesh – (*Paired with Kerala*)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sharing of Good Practices in Ayurveda/Naturopathy	March 2018	Ayurveda Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Multimedia enabled showcasing and travel for highlighting partner State's Culture, supplemented by troupes/artists	March 2018	Information and Public Relation Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh – (*Paired with Punjab*)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Kabaddi match with Punjab team in Andhra Pradesh	March 2018	Sports Departments, Governments of Andhra Pradesh & Punjab
Exchange of Culture / Handicrafts by AP in Punjab during 'Holla Mohalla' Festival	March 2018 in Anandpur Sahib	Government of Andhra Pradesh

Tamil Nadu – (*Paired with Jammu & Kashmir*)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	March 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu





To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels of Tamil Nadu	March 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning of 5 important Words a day of the prevailing Language of Jammu & Kashmir State - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in learning the words	January to March 2018	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Exchange of Information on traditional Agricultural practices among farmers through students studying Agriculture Engineering in partner States - Agriculture Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, will arrange the programme through Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore	3 rd Week of March, 2018 in Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore	Agriculture Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Road shows to be organized in Paired States	3 rd Week of March to Last Week of April, 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu Tourism Department, Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Learning of 5 sentences of the prevailing Languages of Jammu & Kashmir State every week - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the matter	March to June 2018	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Students exchange programme - Visit of College/ University students of Sikkim to Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, Dwarka, Delhi	1 st Week of March, 2018 in Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, Delhi	NCT of Delhi
Organising essay competitions and online quizzes on “Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat State specific themes”	2 nd Week of March, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi





Folk dance from Sikkim	3 rd Week of March, 2018 in Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
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Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Avvaiyar festival, with invitation to the partner State to participate	March 2018	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry
Organising Dance festival with invitation to partner State	March 2018	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Nagaland – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner - Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Seminar on Travel & Tourism – A seminar on Travel & Tourism for TA/TO of the partner States would be organised to explore the Tourist spots of Madhya Pradesh	March 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Tourism, Government of Nagaland

Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Training of Odisha water sports personnel at Indian Institute of Scuba Diving at Tarkali, Maharashtra	In second week of March, 2018 in Maharashtra	Government of Odisha
Maharashtra- Odisha dialogue to explore commonality in history & culture and come up with a publication	In second week of March 2018	Department of Culture, Government of Odisha





Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ministry of Culture will celebrate Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres, between Haryana & Telangana. A gamut of cultural events have been planned and will be executed for the Mahotsav	March 2018	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Tripura & Bihar	2 nd Week of March, 2018, Tripura and Bihar	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Prasar Bharati (All India Radio)</p> <p>All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast programmes on Theatre and Drama of the various paired States/UTs</p>	March 2018 in all Paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting





<p>Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)</p> <p>All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs</p> <p>34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar will telecast for 15 minutes, programmes on Performing Arts</p>	<p>March 2018 in all Paired States/UTs</p> <p>14th and 28th of March, 2018 in all Paired States/UTs</p>	<p>Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting</p>
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Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Food Festivals by IHMs. Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz to the paired States of Uttarakhand and Karnataka</p>	<p>March 2018 in strategic locations in the paired States</p>	<p>IHM Pusa, Delhi: IHM Gangtok, Sikkim, & IHM, Guwahati, Assam, Ministry of Tourism</p>

Department of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Kho Kho - Goa & Jharkhand vs Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli.</p>	<p>26th March, 2018 in Madgaon</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>





<p>Kabaddi - J&K and TN, Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli Himachal & Kerala Lakshwadweep & A&N Islands.</p> <p>Kabaddi - Haryana & Telangana Uttarakhand & Karnataka Punjab & AP , UP & Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh.</p> <p>Kabaddi - Gujarat & Chhattisgarh, MP, Manipur & Nagaland, Maharashtra & Odisha and Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram.</p>	<p>13th to 15th March, 2018 in Bilaspur (on pool basis with each other)</p> <p>17th to 19th March, 2018 in Bengaluru</p> <p>23rd to 25th March,2018 in Patna</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Handball (Boys) - Haryana & Telangana vs Punjab & AP</p> <p>Lakshadweep & Andamans vs Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram</p> <p>Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli vs Goa & Jharkhand</p> <p>Gujarat & Chhattisgarh vs Puducherry & Daman & Diu</p> <p>Himachal & Kerala vs Delhi & Sikkim</p>	<p>18th March, 2018 in Hyderabad</p> <p>18th March, 2018 in Andamans</p> <p>18th March, 2018 in Chandigarh</p> <p>18th March, 2018 in Gandhinagar</p> <p>18th March,2018 in Delhi</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Demonstrations in Mallakhamb, Squay and Kalaripayattu would be held for Maharashtra & Odisha pair</p>	<p>18th to 22nd March, 2018 in Nagpur</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>





Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Education tourism programme with focus on Rajasthan and Assam	11 th March, 2018 in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam
Cultural exchange programme	11 th and 25 th March, 2018 in Nagpur	IIM, Nagpur
EBSB Cultural Day with identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two paired States (Assam & Rajasthan) and their translations	1 st March, 2018 in Udaipur	IIM, Udaipur
Marathi Culinary festival	15 th March, 2018 in Sambalpur	IIM, Sambalpur
Holi Celebrations Batch Gift Preparation and Women's Day.	2 nd March, 2018 in Ahmedabad 5 th and 08 th March, 2018 in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Optional classes in School/colleges for learning the language of the partnering states	March 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bengaluru
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meanings in the languages of the two States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition, exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State, encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing States, organizing film festivals in the State with sub-titles of the partnering State and organizing photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State	March 2018 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode





Educational tour by the students reciprocally in the partnering State to bring out salient features of that State	March 2018 in Kolkata	IIM, Kolkata
EBSB Day with focus on Haryana-Telangana, Tamil Nadu-Jammu & Kashmir, Rajasthan-Assam, Chandigarh-Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Gujarat-Chhattisgarh	10 th , 11 th , 24 th and 25 th March, 2018, respectively, in Guwahati	IIT, Guwahati
Cultural Day for Goa & Jharkhand and for Odisha & Maharashtra	10 th and 24 th March, 2018, respectively, in Dhanbad	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
Essay writing competition and art event related to Punjab	3 rd and 4 th March, 2018, respectively, in Tirupati	IIT, Tirupati
EBSB Cultural Day with the students of Rajasthan and Assam and with the students of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh	4 th and 25 th March, 2018, respectively, in Kharagpur	IIT, Kharagpur
EBSB Cultural Day with the students of Delhi and Sikkim	8 th March, 2018 in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
Programme on Avadh style of Holi celebrations to highlight the culture of Uttar Pradesh and flute performances and Kathakali dance	2 nd and 9 th March, 2018, respectively, in Goa	IIT, Goa
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on language learning of Uttarakhand and Karnataka	17 th and 18 th March, respectively, in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Delhi, Sikkim and Puducherry - Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands - Goa, Jharkhand and Daman and Diu - Bihar and Mizoram	9 th , 10 th , 23 rd and 24 th March, 2018, respectively, in Patna	IIT, Patna
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on music of Haryana and Telangana and dances of Rajasthan and Assam	9 th and 16 th March, 2018, respectively, in Chennai	IIT, Madras
EBSB Cultural Days with discussion among students on the traditional attires, photography session with exchanged attire for students of Telangana & Haryana, Ugadi celebrations by Punjabi students and preparation of Bobbattu in hostel mess	23 rd and 16 th March, 2018, respectively, in Palakkad	IIT, Palakkad
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Haryana & Telangana and Rajasthan & Assam. The programme will contain choreography, dance, music, art & crafts, food stalls, creative writing, poetry etc.	9 th and 16 th March, 2018, respectively, in Roorkee	IIT, Roorkee





Bhangra and Group Dance on Telugu songs	25 th March, 2018 in Varanasi	IIT (BHU), Varanasi
EBSB Cultural Days with on focus on Maharashtra and Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland and Rajasthan and Assam	6 th , 14 th and 25 th March, 2018, respectively, in Mumbai	IIT, Bombay
EBSB Cultural Days with music and dance of Uttarakhand & Karnataka and with music and dance of Chandigarh & Dadra and Nagar Haveli	10 th and 24 th March, 2018, respectively, in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Days with traditional dance/games of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab and Maharashtra and Odisha	18 th March, 2018 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
EBSE Cultural Day with a talk on Manipur and/or Nagaland by inviting a renowned scholar (Academician, Writer, Playwright or an Artist)	9 th March, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
Programme of dance/songs of Uttarakhand & Karnataka and dance/songs of Haryana & Telangana	14 th and 21 st March, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
Programme on folk dance/Odissi dance with focus on Maharashtra & Odisha and Ugadi Celebrations/ Bhangra Dance with focus on Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	March 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
Music & Dance activities for Andhra Pradesh & Punjab and pilgrimage-based quiz for Uttar Pradesh & Monpa Tribe of Arunachal Pradesh	18 th and 25 th March, 2018, respectively, in Ropar	IIT, Ropar
A tour by NIT Sikkim students to Delhi and IIT, Delhi, on 7 th March and a discussion on the specific cultures of Delhi and Sikkim	7 th , 14 th March, 2018, respectively, in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim
Essay writing competition for the students of NIT, Puducherry, Quiz competition on Daman & Diu and Garba dance competition	1 st , 2 nd and 16 th March, 2018, respectively,	NIT, Puducherry
Celebration of Telugu New Year (Ugadi) and traditional Telangana food in messes and home stay where the students of the Institute from Telangana State will be staying in the homes of Haryana students	18 th and 30 th -31 st March, 2018, respectively, in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
Gangaur-Rajasthani festival celebration	20 th March, 2018 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
Workshop on language and culture related to Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	23 rd March, 2018 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad





Programme on familiarization of the cuisine of Himachal Pradesh such as Mhaneer and Bhajjery	March 2018 in Calicut	NIT, Calicut
Programme on historic events of Kerala	9 th March, 2018 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
Gujarati GK quiz competition	March 2018 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
Visit of NIT, Srinagar, students and educational tour by University students	1 st – 4 th and 24 th – 28 th March, 2018, respectively, in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
Tour by NIT Delhi students to Sikkim and to nearby Government schools propagating the cultural facts about Sikkim	7 th and 14 th March, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
Five-day programme on performance of cultural events, dance and songs by local professional troupes, broadcasting regional TV channels, sports activities, camping, cultural exchange, photography, expedition etc. NIT Patna and NIT Agartala students will come to NIT Mizoram to attend these programmes	5 th – 10 th March, 2018 in Mizoram	NIT, Mizoram
Cycling expeditions for the students of one State to places in the partnering State, photography competition for the people of the State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State, screening movies in the institute with sub-titles in the languages of the partnering State and essay competition among students in the language of the partnering State	9 th , 10 th , 11 th and 24 th March, 2018, respectively, in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
Traditional / folk songs competition and workshop on food and cuisine related to Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	9 th and 21 st March, 2018, respectively, in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
Cultural exchange programme with partnering State, with the help of the students of Andhra Pradesh. Essay competition among students of Punjab and Andhra Pradesh	21 st and 28 th March, 2018, respectively, in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar
Culinary festival, language exposure journey and Ethnic day for students and faculty	March 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
Various cultural events during EBSB Cultural Days, including dance and drama	4 th -7 th March, 2018 in Suratkhali	NIT, Suratkhali





Craft exhibition displaying handicrafts/handlooms/pottery, fashion show depicting Assamese attire and debate on social issues in Assam	1 st March, 2 nd March and 4 th March, 2018, respectively, in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
Visit of NIT Patna students to NIT Mizoram to participate in various activities such as broadcasting regional TV Channels, sports activities, camping, cultural exchange, photography, cycling expedition etc.	1 st -2 nd week of March, 2018 in Patna	NIT, Patna
International Women's Day - Folk performances related to Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya and Annual Cultural Festival ATULYAM 2018 with special emphasis of Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	8 th and 25 th -27 th March, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	NIT, Arunachal Pradesh
Madhya Pradesh folk dance presentation	8 th March, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Cultural Day with special focus on Holi celebration in Manipur and tour by a group of people to Madhya Pradesh cultural heritage site	1 st and 15 th March, 2018, respectively, in Nagaland and tour to MP	NIT, Nagaland
Cultural exchange programme with the help of students of Punjab and essay competition among students in both Punjabi and Telugu languages	21 st and 28 th March, 2018, respectively, in Andhra Pradesh	National Institute of Andhra Pradesh
A programme on instrumental music by artistes of national repute like Pandit Vishwamohan Bhatta, Shri Vijay Ghate etc, Sambalpur seminar on origin, growth and evolution of tribal dance and music and a talk on "Unity amidst diversity: Social and Scientific Prospect" and painting competition with exhibition	7 th , 10 th , 11 th and 19 th March, 2018, respectively, in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
Odisha Traditional Day celebrations (Fashion Show Competition)	22 nd March, 2018 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
EBSB Cultural Days which will contain exchange of information on traditional practices	March 2018 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Cultural Day	28 th March, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day	31 st March, 2018 in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
EBSB Cultural Days	13 th , 20 th and 27 th March, 2018, Kalyani, West Bengal	IIIT, Kalyani





Celebration of Telugu New Year (Ugadi) and traditional Telangana food in hostel messes and home stay where the students of the Institute from Telangana State will be staying in homes of Haryana students	18 th and 30 th -31 st March, 2018, respectively, in Sonepat	IIIT, Sonepat
Five-day programme on performance of culture, dance and songs by local professional troupes, broadcasting regional TV Channels, sports activities, camping, cultural exchange, photography, expedition etc. IIIT Bhagalpur students will come to NIT Mizoram to attend these programmes	5 th -10 th March, 2018 in Bhagalpur	IIIT, Bhagalpur
EBSB Cultural Days where the students of Gujarat will perform on Chhattisgarh culture and vice-versa, students of Uttarakhand will perform on Karnataka culture vice-versa and where the students of Goa will perform on Jharkhand culture and vice-versa	17 th and 31 st March, 2018 in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Day with the students of Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir and with the students of Uttar Pradesh & Arunachal Pradesh	11 th and 19 th March, 2018 in Kolkata	IISER, Kolkata
EBSB Cultural Days which will see a music concert on Guddi Parwa and the Institute magazine cover to be based on Maharashtra	3 rd and 18 th March, 2018 in Berhampur	IISER, Berhampur
A panel discussion on women empowerment and development in the States of Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh	8 th March, 2018 in Gwalior	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management (ABV-IIITM), Gwalior
EBSB Cultural Day with various activities such as Quiz, food festival, dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and music, poster making, essay writing, drama etc.	10 th March, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Cultural festival "Vivante" with food stalls representing various States	10 th -11 th March, 2018 in Tirupati	IISER, Tirupati
A programme on Rangoli, Demarayani and Norata Dance	3 rd Week of March, 2018 in Sagar	Dr Harisingh Gaur Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar
A rural/tribal camp for Master of Social Works students at Mizoram University or Tripura University	March 2018 in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar





Fashion parade as part of Hostel Week with focus on Mizoram and Bihar, visit by representatives of the University of Bihar, cycle rally, drama, elocution, debate. Visit of Tripura University team to Mizoram and Bhojpuri film show	4 th between 1 st to 14 th , 1 st to 14 th and 22 nd March, 2018, respectively, in Tripura	Tripura University
Visit by Universities of Bihar and Tripura for cultural exchange/educational tour	Between 5 th to 17 th March, 2018 in Mizoram	Mizoram University
Programmes on computer based training, historical tour and mushroom production training	5 th -9 th March, 2018 in Chhattisgarh	Guru Ghashidas Vishwavidyalaya Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
Assam Tourism exhibition and Assamese food festival	9 th and 30 th March, 2018 in Rajasthan	Central University of Rajasthan
Quiz competition	10 th March, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University
Programme on ethnic dances and folk music of the Eastern Nagas	3 rd Week of Marh, 2018 in Nagaland	Nagaland University
Essay competition on the languages of the partner States	23 rd March, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Ugadi, the festival of Telangana	18 th March, 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
A visit to the Central Universities of Tripura and Mizoram to know their culture through cultural exchange	12 th -18 th March, 2018 in Tripura and Mizoram	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya
Painting competition based on culture and tourism of Jammu & Kashmir	March 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Essay competition on economy and tourism of Sikkim and a programme on culinary practices in Sikkim	1 st and 23 rd March, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	University of Delhi
Audio-visual lectures and knowledge sharing on Indian history, heritage and traditions, film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting the multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian culture & heritage on campus radio	March 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
A programme on encouraging fashion shows and frequent wearing of attire of the partnering State by the students and people of the State	14 th -16 th March, 2018 in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow





North East festival to familiarize the culture of North East to other States & regions	16 th March, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Several programmes in its schools such as group dance competition, music competition, food festival , quiz competition, workshop on Madhubani Art by Assam students etc.	March 2018 in its schools	Central Board of Secondary Education
Several programmes in the schools such as excursions to historical places, quiz competition based on the historical place with art teachers, visit & stay with the families of other migrated students, a day's morning assembly activities to be conducted in the language of the migrated students, literary competitions like essay writing, debate, elocution and quiz on the issues of local importance in the language etc.	March 2018 in its schools	Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar April 2018

States/Union Territories

Andhra Pradesh (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Run for Unity/Cycle Race/Marathon in Andhra Pradesh and Punjab	April 2018	Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Telangana artists at Navratri Utsav in Haryana	April, 2018 in Mata Mansa Devi, Haryana	Government of Telangana

Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Hockey Match & Training of Hockey players will be organized by Jharkhand players and coach in Goa	1 st and 2 nd Week of April 2018 in Goa	Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of Jharkhand





Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh to organise Chalo Gujarat Event for one week, showcasing cultural performance and cultural activities	April 2018	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language</p> <p>Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges</p> <p>If Assamese families are residing locally, college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language</p> <p>Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States</p> <p>An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam</p> <p>To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students</p> <p>To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through ATMA scheme</p>	All Activities between 4 th to 10 th April 2018	Government of Rajasthan

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ramman Mela Salul Dugra (Joshimath) - Cultural troupes from Karnataka to be invited	April, 2018	State Cultural / Education Department of Uttarakhand





Goa – (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festival in Goa of Jharkhand cuisine	April 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Goa

Tripura – (Paired with Bihar -Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Mizoram Mahotsav to be held in Tripura	April 2018	Government of Tripura

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Encouraging fashion shows and frequent wearing of attire of Chhattisgarh State	April 2018 in Ahmedabad /Surat/ Rajkot/Gandhinagar	Government of Gujarat

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Performance of 10 troupes of Lavani Mahotsav in various cities of Odisha	April 2018 in Odisha	Government of Maharashtra





Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Odissi dance workshops in different cities of Maharashtra	In April 2018 in Mumbai, Pune & Nagpur	Government of Odisha
Visit of tribal groups between the two States	April 2018	SC/ST Department, Government of Odisha

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Continuation of Sharing of Good Practices in Ayurveda	April 2018	Department of Tourism, Kerala
Teachers & Students Exchange Programmes, Essay, Quiz, Drama Competition	April 2018	Department of General & Higher Education, Kerala
Translation of 5 Award Winning Books of the partner State	April 2018	Department of Cultural Affairs, Kerala
Culinary Festivals	April 2018	Department of Cultural Affairs/Tourism, Kerala

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
National/State specific quiz competitions in various languages TV/Radio/Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Website	4 to 10 April, 2018	Government of Sikkim
Educational Quiz (All about Sikkim) in schools of Delhi	2 nd Week of April, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim
Visit of Delhi School Students to Sikkim for exposure of students to songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in languages of Sikkim for Classes IX and XI	3 rd / 4 th week of April 2018, in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim





Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
A Group of Artists to visit Madhya Pradesh for showcasing its art by organizing camps and visiting Colleges	April 2018	Art & Culture Department, Government of Manipur

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura ,Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visits of members of Panchayati Raj Institutions from Mizoram and Tripura to see the functioning of PRI bodies in Bihar and the implementation of the CM Saat Nischay Yojana	10 th -15 th April, 2018 in Bhagalpur, Bihar	Government of Bihar

Dadra & Nagar Haveli - (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Fine Arts Workshops - In order to understand the fine arts of both the UTs, the Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi will promote the young/budding Artists of Chandigarh in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and shall also invite the young/budding artists of DNH to participate in the Painting workshop and Exhibition at Chandigarh	April 2018 in Chandigarh	Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi

Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit by MLAs to Rajasthan for exchange of ideas about best practices	April 2018	Parliamentary Affairs Department, Assam





Daman & Diu - (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sports Competition - Friendly Match of Football & Cricket between both the Territories to generate enthusiasm among young students. The Match would begin with Lejim performance by the Students of Daman & Puducherry	April 2018	Sports Department, Daman & Diu

Jammu & Kashmir - (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
10 days Camp for NCC cadets from Tamil Nadu to be organised by Cluster University Srinagar - Visit to Tulip festival by Cluster University	April 2018	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sharing of Good Practices in Ayurveda/Naturopathy	April 2018	Ayurveda Department, Himachal Pradesh
Multimedia enabled showcasing of partner State's Culture, supplemented by troupes/artists	April 2018	Information and Public Relations Department, Himachal Pradesh

Delhi - (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising National/State specific quiz competition in various languages TV/Radio/Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat website	4 th to 10 th April, 2018 in Sikkim	Education Department, Government of Delhi





Educational Quiz (All about Sikkim)	2 nd week of April 2018 in Delhi	Education Department, Government of Delhi
Essay competition (English) on issues relating to Delhi-Sikkim partnership	April, 2018 at Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies, Rohini, Delhi	Education Department, Government of Delhi
Visit of Delhi School Students to Sikkim for “exposure of students to songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in language of Sikkim”	3 rd or 4 th week of April 2018 in Sikkim	Education Department Government of Delhi

Tamil Nadu - (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive/Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir</p> <p>To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu</p>	4 th to 10 th April, 2018 in Sikkim	Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation
Road shows to be organized in Paired States - Tamil Nadu Tourism Department will organize Road Shows in Jammu & Kashmir State in collaboration with Tourism Department of Jammu & Kashmir	Between 3 rd Week of March to last Week of April 2018.	Tourism Department of Jammu & Kashmir
Learning of 5 sentences of the prevailing Languages of Jammu & Kashmir State every week - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the activity	March to June 2018.	Linguistic Department, Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Blog Competitions on Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat - Alagappa, Anna, Bharathidasan and Tamil Nadu Open Universities will conduct the programme	3 rd or 4 th week of April 2018	Universities of Tamil Nadu





To perform traditional cultural programmes (Folk Dance & Folk Music) in the Paired States. Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu to send contingent comprising Artists of different art forms to Jammu & Kashmir State	April/May 2018	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu
To visit Temples preferably during Festivals in the Paired States, the Hindu Religious & Endowment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu to send invitation relating to important festivals to the Government of Jammu & Kashmir to visit Tamil Nadu	April 2018	Hindu Religious & Endowment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Bharathidasan festival where Daman & Diu would be invited	April 2018	Department of Art & Culture, Puducherry
Full moon events (Chitra pournami)	April 2018	Department of Tourism, Puducherry

Lakshadweep - (Paired with A&N Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Teachers' Group of Lakshadweep to Andamans	April 2018	Government of Lakshadweep

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Artists of Chandigarh would visit Wall Painting Mural Design	April 2018 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi, Government of Chandigarh





Quiz Competition on the history, culture, geography etc of DNH would be conducted in Chandigarh	April 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Education, Chandigarh Administration
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Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ministry of Culture will conduct Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with the support from Zonal Cultural Centres of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland. A gamut of cultural events have been planned and being executed for the Mahotsav	April 2018	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands in Lakshadweep, by Government Senior Secondary School	16 th to 22 nd April 2018	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Cuisines and Food Habits	April 2018	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting





Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs 34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Bhopal, Thiruvananthapuram, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar will telecast Programmes on History for 15 minutes on 11th and 25th April, 2018

11th and 25th April, 2018

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States - State IHM Dehradun, Uttarakhand: IHM Bengaluru, Karnataka</p> <p>Accommodation will be provided to the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz for the paired States of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland</p>	April 2018	Ministry of Tourism

Department of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Kabaddi - Goa & Jharkhand, Delhi & Sikkim, Puducherry & Daman & Diu, Rajasthan & Assam	6 th to 8 th April, 2018 in Jaipur (on pool basis with each other)	Department of Sports





<p>Handball (Boys) – Maharashtra & Odisha vs Uttarakhand & Karnataka</p> <p>Rajasthan & Assam vs Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland</p> <p>Jammu & Kashmir & Tamil Nadu vs Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal & Meghalaya.</p>	<p>18th April, 2018 in Dehradun</p> <p>18th April, 2018 in Indore</p> <p>18th April, 2018 in Lucknow</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Handball (Girls U- U-20) Jammu & Kashmir & Tamil Nadu vs Punjab & Andhra Pradesh</p> <p>Himachal & Kerala vs Uttarakhand & Karnataka</p> <p>Haryana & Telangana vs Rajasthan & Assam</p>	<p>18th April, 2018 in Chennai</p> <p>18th April, 2018 in Shimla</p> <p>18th April, 2018 in Jaipur</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Demonstrations in the traditional sports of Mallakhamb, Squay and Kalaripayattu would be held for the pair of Delhi & Sikkim</p> <p>Demonstrations in the traditional sports of Mallakhamb, Squay and Kalaripayattu would be held for the pair of UP, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh</p>	<p>10 to 13th April, 2018 in Delhi</p> <p>21st to 24th April 2018 in Lucknow.</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Optional classes in School/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States	April 2018 in Bangalore	IIM, Bangalore





<p>A programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two states and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering with the help of troupes identify in the home state through cultural competition, exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one state to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering state, encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing states, organizing film festivals in the state with sub-titles of the partnering state and organizing photography competition for the people of one state, creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering state</p>	<p>April 2018 in Kozhikode</p>	<p>IIM, Kozhikode</p>
<p>An exchange programme for the writers and poets etc. in the form of a literary festival</p>	<p>April 2018 in Calcutta</p>	<p>IIM, Calcutta</p>
<p>EBSB Day with a focus on Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep</p>	<p>7th April 2018 in Guwahati</p>	<p>IIT, Guwahati</p>
<p>Cultural Day on Gujarat & Chhattisgarh</p>	<p>7th April 2018 in Dhanbad</p>	<p>IIT,(ISM), Dhanbad</p>
<p>A discussion and exhibition on art, folk literature and mythology of the paired states on the World Art Day</p>	<p>15th April, 2018 in Jodhpur</p>	<p>IIT, Jodhpur</p>
<p>Ethnic dance performances of the paired States on International Dance Day</p>	<p>29th April, 2018 in Jodhpur</p>	
<p>Bhangra competition and Mono acting competition</p>	<p>7th & 8th April 2018, respectively, in Tirupati</p>	<p>IIT, Tirupati</p>
<p>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Days with the students from the States of Maharashtra & Odisha and with the students of Goa & Jharkhand</p>	<p>8th & 15th April 2018, respectively, in Kharagpur</p>	<p>IIT, Kharagpur</p>
<p>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Day on Utkal Divas with the students of Maharashtra & Odisha and with the students of Goa and Jharkhand</p>	<p>1st & 14th April 2018, respectively, in Bhubneshwar</p>	<p>IIT, Bhubneshwar</p>
<p>Classical dance performances from the states of Punjab, Chandigarh, Andhra Pradesh and Dadra & Nagar Haveli</p>	<p>23rd April, 2018 in Goa</p>	<p>IIT, Goa</p>
<p>Essay competition with focus on Haryana and Telangana</p>	<p>14th-15th April, 2018 in Bhilai</p>	<p>IIT, Bhilai</p>





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Days with focus on Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland and Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu	6 th & 7 th April 2018, respectively, in Patna	IIT, Patna
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Dances of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh; Music of Maharashtra and Odisha and Food festival of Goa and Jharkhand	6 th , 13 th & 20 th April 2018, respectively, in Chennai	IIT, Madras
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Gujarat & Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra & Odisha and Goa & Jharkhand. The programme will cover choreography & dance, music, art and crafts, food stalls, creative writing, poetry etc.	6 th , 13 th & 20 th April, 2018 respectively, in Roorkee	IIT, Roorkee
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on Chandigarh and Dadra & Nagar Haveli	14 th April, 2018 in Bombay	IIT, Bombay
Cultural Days with focus on dances of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland and later with focus on dance & music of Puducherry and Daman & Diu	7 th & 14 th April, 2018, respectively in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day with traditional dance music of Chandigarh/Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Assam/Rajasthan	14 th April, 2018 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
EBSB Cultural Day - Arranging Skype/Video call with the students of NIT Nagaland for a general discussion on the culture of Nagaland and the status of education facilities in the State	6 th April, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on dance song of Rajasthan & Assam and Gujarat & Chhattisgarh	11 th & 18 th April, 2018 respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
A programme by artists in traditional dance forms of Telangana through SPIC MCAIY	7 th April, 2018 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
Quiz competition on EBSB	12 th April, 2018 in Nagpur	VNIT, Nagpur
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Days with focus on Bohag-Bihu – Assam Culture	14 th to 15 th April, 2018 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
Workshop on culinary and food related to Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	14 th April, 2018 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad
A visit to Himachal Pradesh by selected students group	April 2018 in Calicut	NIT, Calicut





Various events of competitions on Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Days, in which 50 students will participate	11 th to 13 th April, 2018 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
Cultural Fest (Dance, Singing, Food) where students will be trained in various dance forms of Gujarat like Garba, Hudo and Gher, Raas, Bhavai etc. It will also contain local music and cuisine culture of both the states of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh. Cultural quiz, which will be an online activity where students of both States can explore the culture	April, 2018 in Surat	SVNIT, Surat
Programmes on exchange of information on traditional agriculture practices and forecasting among farmers in Delhi/Sikkim and frequent wear of attire of Delhi/Sikkim by the students	4 th & 11 th April, 2018 respectively, in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
A programme on encouraging the administration of oaths/pledges in the two languages of the partnering states	7 th April, 2018 in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
A workshop on food and cuisine related to Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya	18 th April, 2018 in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
Dramas of the partner states of Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	18 th April, 2018 in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar
Cycling expedition to various places in Tamil Nadu and a language exposure journey	April 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
Story writing on themes of Assam and celebration of Bihu and drama	8 th & 15 th April, 2018 respectively, in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
Talent hunt competition for students	between 12 th April to 16 th April, 2018 in Jamshedupur	NIT, Jamshedupur
Madhya Pradesh food festival	10 th April, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Cultural exhibition in connection with Lokrang Samaroh Festival, Madhya Pradesh	6 th April, 2018 in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
Exchange of information on traditional agricultural practices and forecasting among the farmers	25 th April, 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
A programmes of Kathak and Garba dance	7 th April, 2018 in Goa	NIT, Goa
A presentation on the industrial development in Delhi and a Fashion show on the lifestyle of Delhi	4 th & 11 th April, 2018 respectively, in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim





Bharatnatyam dance performance which will be telecasted in the local channels of Daman & Diu	5 th April 2018	NIT, Puducherry
EBSB Cultural Day	13 th April, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day	7 th April and 14 th April, 2018 in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
Odisha Traditional Days Celebration - Fashion Show Competition	13 th April, 2018 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
A programmes by artist in traditional dance forms of Telangana through SPIC MCAY	7 th April, 2018 in Sonapat	IIIT, Sonapat
A function where the Bihar students will perform on Mizoram Culture and Mizoram students will perform on Bihar Culture	7 th April, 2018 in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Days with the students of Maharashtra & Odisha and with the students of Uttarakhand & Karnataka	1 st & 10 th April, 2018 respectively, in Kolkata	IISER, Kolkata
A panel discussion on role of information technology in health care of Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh	7 th April, 2018 in Gawlior	ABV-IIITM, Gawlior
EBSB Cultural Day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama, etc.	6 th April, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Fashion show by students in local attire of Mizoram & Tripura	April 2018 in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar
A programme on traditional game and folk instruments of Tenyimia Nagas	Second week of April 2018 in Nagaland	Nagaland University
Host Cultural activities of other States in Cultural Festival	20-21 April, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Culinary festival to learn the culinary practices of the paired state	April 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Ethnic fashion show to display culture vividly through dress pattern of Bihar's culturally enriched society	19 th April 2018 in Bihar	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya
Essay competition	April 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu





A programme showcasing folk dance of Sikkim and film festival	6 th & 10 th April, 2018 respectively, in Delhi	University of Delhi
Organizing exchange programme for writers and poets across the country. To also organise film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles, reflecting the multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian culture & heritage on campus radio	April 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
A visit to Tripura by the Mizoram University team for cultural exchange /educational tour	Between 12 th to 14 th April, 2018 in Mizoram	Mizoram University
A programme of Rangoli/Bohag Bihu	13 th to 15 th April, 2018 in Rajasthan	Central University of Rajasthan
A programme on translation of proverbs	1 st to 30 th April, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University
Quiz on proverbs of India	6 th April, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Blog competitions on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	11 th to 13 th April 2018 in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
A workshop on National Integration with talk by eminent persons	April 2018 in Shillong	North –Eastern Hill University, Shillong
Students exchange programmes	1st week of April, 2018	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
Organizing several programmes in its schools such as one act play, special assembly on the occasion of Bengali New year, music programme of Manipur in Madhya Pradesh, Dumb bell activity, Lazium activity, Nukkad Natak, poster making, web/blog design, album making, celebration of Cheiraoba of Manipur and Biasakhi of Punjab	April 2018	Central Board of Secondary Education





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar May 2018

States / Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh will participate in Sasan Festival in Sasangir with a cultural performance by Chhattisgarh artists	May 2018 in Chhattisgarh	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
An exhibition to display the art and culture of Assam	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





Sharing best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through ATMA scheme	May 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
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Goa – (Paired with Jharkhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inviting Football, Hockey and Archery Teams from Jharkhand for Skill demonstration	May 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa
Photo Exhibition of both the States will be held	May 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa
Goan Reporters and Photographers will visit Jharkhand	May 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa
Dance Competition of Jharkhand Folk Dance	May 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa
Essay Competition	May 2018 in Goa	Government of Goa

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sasan Festival – Sasan Gir – Cultural and Craft activities, where Chhattisgarh artistes would be invited	May 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Krishi Mela 2018 – Rajpipala/Junagadh/Valsad/ Navsari – Exchange of information on traditional agricultural practices and forecasting among farmers	May 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of one Folk Song of the partner State	May 2018	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala





Film Festivals – Telecasting of Programmes of partner States in local languages	May 2018	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala
Sharing State-specific Arts/Handlooms/Handicrafts	May 2018	Department of Handlooms, Government of Kerala
Sports festivals, blog competitions, photography, cycling competition with the students of the Partner State	May 2018	Government of Kerala

Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of two award winning books of Jharkhand in Konkani language	May 2018 in Jharkhand	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tourism to UNESCO's shortlisted World Heritage properties: Deccan Sultanate Architecture, including Gulbarga, Bidar, Bijapur and Golconda – for History & Archaeology students of Uttarakhand	2 nd Week of May, 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Tourism, Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka
Urban Tourism – Bengaluru, Mysore, Coorg in focus. Belur- Halebeedu, Srirangapatna as options in the Southern area - for students of Primary, Secondary and Higher Education from Uttarakhand	4 th Week of May, 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Tourism, Department of Public, Instruction, Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka





Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Training of Odisha water sports personnel	May 2018 in Indian Institute of Scuba Diving, Tarkali	Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of NSS Volunteers to Sikkim - for Classes XI and XII or Higher Education	May 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
NSS/NCC students visit to Manipur	May 2018 in Manipur	Department of Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
NSS/NCC students visit to Nagaland	May 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
NSS Camp for youth of Rajasthan and Assam	May 2018 in Assam	Sports and Youth Welfare Department, Government of Assam

Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Folk Cultural Extravaganza - Chandigarh Sangeet Natak Akademi will bring the troupes of folk dancers amongst the students of Government Schools of DNH and will also organize two theatrical performances/ plays of professionals Artists/Groups in Dadra & Nagar Haveli - Chandigarh Sangeet Natak Akademi	May 2018 in Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Folk Cultural Extravaganza - UT of DD to invite UT of Puducherry's Music Learners to learn Music from Bal Bhawan of DD. Puducherry Kavi Kuyil Music Academy to invite DD's Students for exchange of musical interests - Bal Bhawan of Daman & Diu	May 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Daman & Diu

Tripura – (Co-Partner- Mizoram- Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Folk theatre festival and plays of prominent Bihari playwrights	May 2018 in Tripura	Government of Tripura





Folk theatre festival and plays of prominent Mizo playwrights	May 2018 in Tripura	Government of Tripura
Cultural programmes of Tripura	May 2018 in Sonepur Mela and Rajgir Mahotsav	Government of Tripura

Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Bihar Mahotsav	May 2018 in Mizoram	Government of Mizoram

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exchange of information regarding traditional arts and crafts and their practices for Skill Development Course - students of Tamil Nadu to be hosted by the Central University of Kashmir	May 2018 in Central University of Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Photo Competition in Uttarakhand	May 2018 in Uttarakhand	Tourism Department, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Haryanvi Orchestra Workshop	May 2018 in Telangana	Government of Haryana





Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	May 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu	May 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Learning of 5 sentences of the prevailing Languages of Jammu & Kashmir State every week - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the matter	March to June 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
To perform traditional cultural programmes (folk dance & folk music) in the paired States. Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu, will send contingent comprising artists of different art forms to Jammu & Kashmir State	April/ May 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu
Tours by University Students & Staff in partner States with relevant focus area and submission of Project Reports (Tour Reports) - Alagappa, Bharathidasan and Tamil Nadu Open Universities will send students and staff on Education Tours to the State of Jammu & Kashmir	3 rd Week of May, 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Tamil Nadu
Translation of 10 important Proverbs of the prevailing Languages of Jammu & Kashmir State - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the process of Translation	May 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu





Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of NSS Volunteers	May 2018 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Summer festival	May 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry
Kite Festival – D&D would be invited	May 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ugadi celebrations in Punjab through Telugu People's Associations in Punjab and Food festivals of Andhra Pradesh in Punjab	May 2018 in Punjab	Government of Andhra Pradesh

Telangana - (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Literary Exchange Festival with invitation to eminent poets on reciprocal basis	May 2018 in Telangana	Department of Culture, Government of Telangana





Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of NSS & Scouts Students of the Union Territory of Lakshadweep to Andamans	May 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Quiz Competition on the history culture, geography etc of DNH would be conducted in Chandigarh	May 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Education, Government of Chandigarh

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres for Sikkim – Delhi. A gamut of cultural events have been planned and will be executed for the Mahotsav	May 2018	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat will have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes – between the paired States of Telangana & Haryana in Telangana and between the paired States of Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir in Tamil Nadu	May 2018 in Telangana and Tamil Nadu	Department of Youth Affairs





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Chhattisgarh & Gujarat.	7 th to 13 th May, 2018 in I.G. Agriculture University, Chandigarh	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities	20 th to 26 th May, 2018 in Daman & Diu	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Fabrics and Textiles, Alternative Medicines	May 2018 in all States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs 34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar will telecast for 15 minutes, programme on Trade	9 th to 23 rd May, 2018 in all States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States	May 2018 in IHM Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh; IHM, Guwahati, Assam for Manipur & Nagaland	Ministry of Tourism





Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States	May 2018 in IHM Shimla, Himachal Pradesh, and IHM Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	Ministry of Tourism
Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz for the paired States of Himachal Pradesh & Kerala	May 2018	Ministry of Tourism

Ministry of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Football (Girls) - Winners of First Round matches held in January 2018	7 th - 08 th May, 2018 Location to be decided based on winners of earlier round	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) - Winners of First Round matches held in January 2018	10 th to 13 th May, 2018 Location to be decided based on winners of earlier round	Department of Sports
Handball (Girls U-20) – Gujarat & Chhattisgarh vs Maharashtra & Odisha	May 2018 in Pune	Department of Sports
Handball (Girls U-20) - MP, Manipur & Nagaland vs Lakshadweep & A&N	18 th May, 2018 in Indore	Department of Sports
Handball (Girls U-20) - Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram vs Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli	May 2018 in Patna	Department of Sports
Handball (Girls U-20) - Puducherry, Daman & Diu vs UP, Arunachal & Meghalaya	20 th May, 2018 in Lucknow	Department of Sports
Demonstrations in the traditional sports of Squay, Mallakhambam and Kalaripayattu for the paired States of J&K and TN at Srinagar and for the paired States of MP, Manipur & Nagaland in Bhopal	07 th to 11 th May, 2018 in Srinagar 24 th to 28 th May, 2018 in Bhopal	Department of Sports





<p>Table Tennis (Boys/Girls)</p> <p>Group 1 J&K and TN vs. Punjab & AP Himachal & Kerala vs. Uttarakhand & Karnataka</p> <p>Group 2 Haryana & Telangana vs. Rajasthan & Assam Gujarat & Chhattisgarh vs. Maharashtra & Odisha</p> <p>Group 3 Goa & Jharkhand vs. Delhi & Sikkim MP and Manipur & Nagaland vs. UP, Arunachal & Meghalaya</p> <p>Group 4 Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram vs. Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli Puducherry & Daman & Diu vs. Lakshadweep & A&N Islands</p>	<p>7th May 2018 at Bengaluru</p> <p>7th May 2018 at Bengaluru</p> <p>8th May 2018 at Jaipur</p> <p>9th May 2018 at Madgaon</p> <p>10th May 2018 at Chandigarh</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Badminton</p> <p>J&K and TN vs. Himachal & Kerala</p> <p>UP, Arunachal & Meghalaya vs. Uttarakhand & Karnataka</p> <p>Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli vs. Rajasthan & Assam</p> <p>Punjab & AP vs. Haryana & Telangana Gujarat & Chhattisgarh vs. Goa & Jharkhand</p> <p>Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram vs. Delhi & Sikkim</p> <p>Maharashtra & Odisha vs. MP, Manipur & Nagaland</p> <p>Puducherry & Daman & Diu vs. Lakshadweep & A&N Islands</p>	<p>10th May 2018 at Jammu</p> <p>10th May 2018 at Lucknow</p> <p>10th May 2018 at Jaipur</p> <p>10th May 2018 at Rohtak</p> <p>22nd May 2018 at Gandhinagar</p> <p>22nd May 2018 at Delhi</p> <p>22nd May 2018 at Indore</p> <p>22nd May 2018 at Puducherry</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>





Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States	May 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bengaluru
Programmes on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the paired States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition, exchange programmes for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State, encouraging the administration of pledges in the languages of the pairing States, organizing film festivals in the State with sub-titles of the partnering State and organizing photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State	May 2018 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode
Programme on encouraging fashion shows and frequent wearing of attire of the partnering State by the students and people of the State	May 2018 in Kolkata	IIM, Calcutta
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Haryana and Telangana and Puducherry and Daman & Diu	19 th , 20 th and 24 th May, 2018, respectively.	IIM, Bombay
EBSB Cultural Day with dances of Rajasthan and Assam	10 th May, 2018 in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Days with dance/music/drama of Haryana/Telangana and Delhi/Sikkim	23 rd May, 2018 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar
EBSB Cultural Day with dance/song of Maharashtra and Odisha	16 th May, 2018 in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
Poster making competition, Cycle rally on National Integration and Word Bee Competition	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd May, 2018, respectively, in Nagpur	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology, Nagpur





10-day visit when the students will visit Kerala to know about its culture, tradition, food, festival etc.	21 st – 31 st May, 2018 in Kerala	NIT, Hamirpur
State specific quiz competition	1 st May, 2018 in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
Visit to Himachal Pradesh by selected students group	May 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	NIT, Calicut
Presentation on the historical background of Delhi	1 st May, 2018 in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim
EBSB Cultural Days with exchange of information on traditional agricultural practices and forecasting among farmer in the partnering States of Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	23 rd and 30 th May, 2018, respectively, in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar
Tour by a group of people to Kangla Konung	2 nd May, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Miniature Film Festival in the Institute	May 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
Special programme on Bhagoria Tribal Festival of Madhya Pradesh	11 th May, 2018 in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
Film festival with Punjabi sub-titles	1 st May, 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
EBSB Cultural Day encouraging learning and exposure to the traditional sports of the partner State	May 2018 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Cultural Day	4 th May, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recitals (folk and classical), Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama etc.	4 th May, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Multi- State oriented cultural programme	May 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Essay competition on “National Integration – My vision of India in twenty years”	May 2018 in Shillong	North–Eastern Hill University, Shillong
Workshop/seminar dedicated by the partner State and folk dance of the other major Nagas Tribes	3 rd Week of May, 2018 in Nagaland	Nagaland University
EBSB Cultural Day on traditional sports	4 th May, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Folk dance and solo song competition	2 nd May, 2018 in Gaya	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya





<p>Cultural Exchange Programme, translation of 5 J&K Books and 5 award winning songs in Tamil, exchange programme for writers, visiting places in Jammu and Kashmir, organizing Cultural Festival highlighting Tamil Nadu, organizing Tamil Nadu food festival and inter-University tournament with Jammu & Kashmir</p>	<p>May 2018 in Tamil Nadu</p>	<p>Central University of Tamil Nadu</p>
<p>Exchange programme for writers and poets across the country, film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio</p>	<p>May 2018 in Hyderabad</p>	<p>University of Hyderabad</p>
<p>Meeting of representatives/Nodal Teachers/Nodal Officers to review promotion, implementation, extension, planning etc.</p>	<p>7th - 11th May, 2018 in Mizoram</p>	<p>Mizoram University</p>
<p>Programme on exposure of alphabets, song, proverbs and 100 sentences</p>	<p>1st - 30th May, 2018 in Tezpur</p>	<p>Tezpur University</p>
<p>Several programmes in its schools such as Worli Art, pot making, murals, sheet painting, t-shirt painting, folk dance of Bihar by Assam, Maharashtra Day celebration, craft making highlighting the basic handicrafts of Rajasthan like Kathputli making, tie and dye, paintings, jewellery making etc.</p>	<p>May 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country</p>	<p>Central Board of Secondary Education</p>
<p>Several programmes in the schools such as conduct of cultural evenings once a week by the migrated students, exchange of cultural programmes with the migrated Vidyalayas like musical concerts, clippings of dances and dramatic activities, local songs with musical tunes, visit to the cultural sites by the migrated students with reports by them, bilingual cautions and precautions in the Vidyalayas' campus, translation of the regional folklores, poems, stories & plays from the host language to the migrated language and vice versa, Kavi Sammelan, Mushairya in the languages of the host Vidyalaya and migrated Vidyalaya and participation of migrated students at the district level and State level cultural events, especially in the art & education workshops etc.</p>	<p>May 2018 in NVS schools located all over the country</p>	<p>Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti</p>





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States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Promotion Tour to be conducted in Ahmedabad and Dhordo for Chhattisgarh rural artists to promote art in the State of Gujarat	June 2018 in Ahmedabad and Dhordo	Tourism Corporation, Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan - (paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language.</p> <p>Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges.</p> <p>For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college to invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language.</p> <p>Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States.</p> <p>Exhibition to display the art and culture of Assam.</p> <p>To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students.</p> <p>To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through the ATMA scheme</p>	All activities in June 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Broadcasting/Telecasting Programmes through Regional Radio/TV on programmes relating to Chhattisgarh State	June 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Literary Festival – Ahmedabad – Exchange Programmes for Writers and Poets		

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exchange of State specific Books and Brochures	June 2018	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Teachers & Students Exchange Programmes - Essay, Quiz, Drama Competition.	June 2018	Department of General & Higher Education, Government of Kerala
Sharing State-specific arts, crafts, handicrafts and handlooms	June 2018	Department of Handicrafts and Handlooms, Government of Kerala
Translation of one folk song of the partner State	June 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala
Culinary festivals	June 2018 in Kerala	Department of Cultural Affairs & Tourism, Government of Kerala
Telecasting programmes of partner State in local language	June 2018	Government of Kerala
Organising sports competitions, blog competitions, photography & cycling competition with the students of the partner State	June 2018	Government of Kerala





Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Educational & Study Tour of NSS Students & Home stay in Goa	1 st and 2 nd Week of June, 2018	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit by History and Archaeology students of Uttarakhand to Hampi (Heritage), Badami+Aihole+Pattadakal, Bijapur, Gulbarga, Bidar	1 st Week of June 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Tourism and Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka
15 Kannada literature books have been identified which would be translated and given to Uttarakhand for printing	1 st Week of June, 2018 in Karnataka	Government of Karnataka
15 Hindi books have been identified – list sent from Uttarakhand for translation and printing	June 2018 in Karnataka	CPI, DCE and Kannada and Cultural Department, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Odishi workshop in different cities	June 2018 in Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur, Amravati & Nashik, Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra





Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of NCC Cadets to Sikkim - for Classes IX to XII	June 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim
Visit of Delhi School Teachers to Sikkim - Selected Teachers	June 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim
Exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partner State	June 28 to July 5, 2018	Government of Sikkim

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura - Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of 5 books each from Mizoram and Tripura by Maithili Academy, Patna	June 2018 in Patna	Government of Bihar

Arunachal Pradesh - (Co-partner Meghalaya – Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organizing NSS/NCC camps	June 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Governments of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya
Students of Arunachal Pradesh will visit U.P. and vice versa. A maximum of 100 students would participate	June 2018 in paired States.	Governments of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya
Reciprocal educational tours would be organized between Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills of Arunachal Pradesh, Dr. B.R Ambedkar University, Agra, & Lucknow University. Students of one State would visit partner State from Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	June 2018 in paired States	Governments of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya





Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Folk Cultural Extravaganza - UT of Daman & Diu to invite UT of Puducherry's Music Learners to learn Music from Bal Bhawan of Daman & Diu and the Puducherry Kavi Kuyil Music Academy would invite Daman & Diu's students for exchange of musical interests	June 2018 in Daman and Diu	Bal Bhawan of Daman & Diu & Tourism Department, Government of Daman & Diu

Tripura (Co-Partner - Mizoram – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tripura Mahotsav (Tripura Festival)	June 2018 in Mizoram	Government of Tripura

Mizoram (Co-Partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tripura Mahotsav (Tripura Festival) will be organised in Mizoram	June 2018	Government of Mizoram

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of one traditional folk song of one State in the language of partner State	June 2018	J&K Academy of Art, Culture and Languages, Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Inviting students from Tamil Nadu to Visit Leh, Ladakh, for participation in Sindhu Darshan festival in Leh	June 2018 in Leh	Government of Jammu & Kashmir





Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
FAM Tour to lesser known places in Uttarakhand	June 2018 in Uttarakhand	State Tourism, Department of Uttarakhand / Karnataka and Travel agents from Karnataka, Governments of Uttarakhand and Karnataka

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Mask making and Painting Workshop - A Coffee Table Book will be made on the same	June 2018 in Telangana	Government of Haryana

Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	June 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu	June 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu





Learning of 5 sentences in the languages of Jammu & Kashmir State every week - Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the activity	June 2018	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Translation of 10 important proverbs of the prevailing languages of Jammu & Kashmir State - Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the process of Translation	June 2018	Linguistic Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Translation of one Documentary Film of one State in the languages of partner State - Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu, will undertake the translation of one Documentary Film in the language of partner State	last week of June 2018	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Delhi School Teachers to Sikkim	June 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim
Visit of students of DDU College of Delhi University to Sikkim	1 st fortnight of June, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi
Exposure of students of Sikkim to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in language of the partner State (Delhi)	28 th June to 5 th July, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Isai / Nattiya / Drama festival	June 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry
Food festival of partner State	June 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry





Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising NSS/ NCC camps of students of one State at the locations in the partner State in which about 100 students each would participate	June 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Reciprocal educational tours between Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra, Lucknow University, Lucknow, and North Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, Meghalaya, & Rajiv Gandhi University Ronohill, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, in which students of one State would visit Partner State	June 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Telangana – (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural team from Haryana would be invited for the celebrations of State Formation Day	June 2018 in Telangana	Department of Culture, Government of Telangana

Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Writers Meet / Artists camp of the Union Territory of Lakshadweep to Andamans	June 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep





Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food festival of Punjab in Andhra Pradesh	June 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	Department of Tourism, Government of Andhra Pradesh
Quiz competitions in TV and Radio about Punjab and Andhra Pradesh	June 2018 in paired States	Departments of Tourism, Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab

Meghalaya – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner – Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organising NSS/NCC Camps of students of one State at the locations in the partner State in which about 100 students each would participate	June 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya
Reciprocal educational tours would be organised between Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Agra, Lucknow University, and North Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya, and Rajiv Gandhi University Ronohill, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, in which students of one State would visit the partner State	June 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Workshop/Demonstration - To understand Fine Arts of the partner State, Lalit Kala Akademi would organise the workshop/ demonstration for the students of Junior and Senior Classes of Government Schools - Eminent Artists from Dadra and Nagar Haveli would be invited to hold the such workshops	June 2018 in Lalit Kala Akademi, Chandigarh	Government of Chandigarh





Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support of Zonal Cultural Centres, between Arunachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh - g gamut of cultural events have been planned and being executed for the Mahotsav.	June 2018	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat will have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Andhra Pradesh between the paired States of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab; in Kerala between the paired States of Kerala and Himachal Pradesh, in Haryana between the paired States of Haryana and Telangana and in Jammu & Kashmir between the paired States of Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu	June 2018	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Daman & Diu & Puducherry	1 st - 7 th June, 2018 in Silvassa	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. AIR Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Tourism, Handicrafts and Master Craftsmen and Artisans	June 2018 in allStates/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting





<p>All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs</p> <p>34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar will telecast for 15 minutes , programmes on the subject of Architecture</p>	<p>June 2018 in all Paired States/UTs</p> <p>13th-27th June, 2018 in all Paired States/UTs</p>	<p>Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting</p>
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Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz for the paired States/UTs - Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli</p>	<p>June 2018</p>	<p>Ministry of Tourism</p>

Department of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Kho Kho - Puducherry & Daman & Diu Vs Maharashtra & Odisha.</p>	<p>02 June, 2018 in Mumbai</p>	
<p>Uttarakhand & Karnataka Vs Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram.</p>	<p>09 June, 2018 in Bengaluru</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Punjab & Andhra Pradesh Vs Rajasthan & Assam</p>	<p>16 June, 2018 in Ajmer</p>	
<p>Handball (Boys) – First round winners</p>	<p>4 days in June, 2018 (Locations to be decided on the basis of winners)</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>





<p>Table Tennis (Boys & Girls Mixed) Winners of earlier Group 1 matches between J&K & TN vs. Punjab & AP</p>	<p>16th June 2018 Locations to be decided based on winner States</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>
<p>Winners of earlier Group 1 matches between Himachal & Kerala vs Uttarakhand & Karnataka</p>	<p>16th June 2018 Locations to be decided based on winner States</p>	
<p>Winners of earlier Group 2 matches between Haryana & Telangana vs. Rajasthan & Assam</p>	<p>16th June 2018 Locations to be decided based on winner States</p>	
<p>Winners of earlier Group 2 matches between Gujarat vs. Chhattisgarh vs. Maharashtra & Odisha</p>	<p>16th June 2018 Locations to be decided based on winner States</p>	
<p>Winners of earlier Group 3 matches between Goa & Jharkhand vs. Delhi & Sikkim and MP Manipur & Nagaland vs. UP, Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh</p>	<p>17th June 2018 Locations to be based on winner States</p>	
<p>Winners of earlier Group 4 matches between Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram vs. Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Puducherry & Daman & Diu vs. Lakshadweep & Andamans</p>	<p>17th June 2018 Locations to be based on winner States</p>	
<p>Quarter finals, semi-finals & finals</p>	<p>17th, 18th and 19th June 2018. Locations to be based on winner States</p>	





<p>Badminton (Boys/Girls)</p> <p>Winners of earlier round matches between J&K & TN vs. Himachal & Kerala and Punjab & AP vs. Haryana & Telangana</p> <p>Winners of earlier round matches between Uttarakhand & Karnataka vs. UP , Arunachal & Meghalaya</p> <p>Quarter final matches between earlier round winners</p>	<p>12th June 2018 Locations to be based on winner States</p> <p>28th June 2018 Locations to be based on winner states</p> <p>28th June 2018. Locations to be based on earlier winner States</p>	
<p>Demonstrations in the traditional sports of Mallakhamba, Squay and Kalaripattaya for the paired States of Himachal & Kerala and for Punjab & Andhra Pradesh</p>	<p>2nd - 5th June and 23rd - 27th June, 2018, respectively, in Jalandhar</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
EBSB Cultural Day on International Day of Yoga with the students of Bihar- Tripura and Mizoram	21 st June, 2018 in Bhubaneshwar	IIT, Bhubaneshwar
Culinary festival with focus on Gujarat and Chhattisgarh	24 th June, 2018 in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam
EBSB Cultural Day with translation of at least 5 award winning books & 5 award winning songs of one State in the language of the partnering State	10 th June, 2018 in Udaipur	IIM, Udaipur
Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States	June 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bengaluru
Ramzan celebrations and Induction week	14 th June, 2018 in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Photography exhibition on Goa/Jharkhand and a programme on exposure to the languages of West Bengal, Manipur and Nagaland	17 th June, 2018 in Trichy	IIM, Trichy





<p>A programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two states and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering states with the help of troupes identified in the home state through cultural competition, exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one state to alphabets, songs, proverbs & 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering state, encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing states, organizing film festivals in the state with sub-titles of the partnering state and photography competitions for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering state</p>	<p>June 2018 in Kozhikode</p>	<p>IIM, Kozhikode</p>
<p>A programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use</p>	<p>June 2018 in Kolkata</p>	<p>IIM, Calcutta</p>
<p>EBSB Cultural Day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama,etc.</p>	<p>14th June, 2018 in Mohali</p>	<p>IISER, Mohali</p>
<p>Traditional dress competition and cultural event during Telangana Formation Day Celebration</p>	<p>2nd June, 2018 in Kurukshetra</p>	<p>NIT, Kurukshetra</p>
<p>A visit to Himachal Pradesh by a selected group of students</p>	<p>June 2018 in Kozhikode</p>	<p>NIT, Calicut</p>
<p>Cultural exchange programme through cultural competitions and educational tour to bring out salient features of the State</p>	<p>June 2018 in Jalandhar</p>	<p>NIT, Jalandhar</p>
<p>Combined annual training camp with special emphasis on Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya</p>	<p>June 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh</p>	<p>NIT, Arunachal Pradesh</p>
<p>Traditional dress competition and cultural events in Telangana Formation Day celebration</p>	<p>2nd June, 2018 in Sonapat</p>	<p>IIIT, Sonapat</p>





A three-day programme on broadcasting regional TV Channels, Spots activities, Camping, Cultural Exchange, Photography, Cycling expedition etc in which IIT, Bhagalpur students will visit NIT, Agartala	2nd - 4th June, 2018 in Bhagalpur	IIT, Bhagalpur
15 EBSB Cultural Days to forge a linkage with Sikkim University wherein the university students, faculty, non-teaching staff of Jamia Milia Islamia will visit Sikkim University	June-July 2018 in New Delhi	Jamia Milia Islamia University, New Delhi
One week NSS Camp	June 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Cultural Exchange Programme, translation of 5 Jammu & Kashmir Books and 5 award winning songs in Tamil, exchange programmes for writers, visiting places in Jammu and Kashmir, organizing Cultural Festivals highlighting Tamil Nadu, organizing Tamil Nadu food festival and inter-University tournament with Jammu & Kashmir	June 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Exchange programme for writers and poets across the country, film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programmes on Indian culture and heritage on campus Radio	June 2018 in Hyderabad	Central University of Hyderabad
Workshops and exhibitions on the culture and history of Rajasthan among the staff and students	1 st to 30 th June, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University, Assam
A cultural programme on EBSB	June 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Several programmes in its schools such as film show of Utrakhand in a Bengaluru school, folk dance of Bihar by Assam students, fusion dance of Giddha and Bhangra, Skit, Speech, dance, traditional puja, Kavi Sammelan, Poetry writing etc.	June 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country	Central Board of Secondary Education





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar July 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Promotion Tour in Dhordo. Tourism Corporation of Gujarat will provide all facilities to Chhattisgarh rural artists to promote art in the State of Gujarat	July 2018 in Gujarat	Department of Tourism, Government of Chhattisgarh
Advertisement Campaign in Gujarat and Chhattisgarh in coordination with Tourism Boards	July 2018	Department of Tourism, Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan - (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	July 2018	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	July 2018	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families residing locally, nearby colleges shall invite them and organize Interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	July 2018	Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	July 2018	Government of Rajasthan





To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	July 2018	Government of Rajasthan
To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration will be initiated through ATMA scheme	July 2018	Government of Rajasthan

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Film Festivals with sub-titles in Chhattisgarh language	July 2018 in various locations of Gujarat	Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of one folk song of partner State	July 2018	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala
Organising culinary festivals in Kerala of Himachal food	July 2018	Government of Kerala
Exchange of state-specific books and brochures	July 2018	Government of Kerala
Sharing state-specific arts, handlooms and handicrafts	July 2018	Government of Kerala
Organising film festivals, telecasting programmes of partner State in local language	July 2018	Government of Kerala
Organising sports festivals blog competitions, photography competitions and cycling competitions with students of paired State	July 2018	Government of Kerala





Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Educational Seminar – Competition on Goa in Jharkhand Schools	3 rd and 4 th Week of July, 2018 in Jharkhand Schools	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Team from Uttarakhand to visit Bengaluru to participate	July 2018 in India International Tourism Mart, Karnataka	Department of Tourism, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of tribal groups from one State to the other.	July 2018	Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Delhi Kabaddi Team by students of U-17 Team	2 nd Week of July, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim





Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Seminar on Travel & Tourism	July 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Indigenous Games – Youth Affairs & Sports Department to visit Madhya Pradesh and tie up with the Sports Department for organizing display and exhibition of the indigenous games of Manipur	July 2018	Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Hockey Match – A match between the Hockey Teams of Madhya Pradesh and Manipur for both boys and girls to be organized to promote and improve relations between the sports fraternity of the 2 States	July 2018	Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Translation of popular books of Madhya Pradesh into Meitei Mayek	July 2018	Art & Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Youth Leadership Programmes - to provide experiences that help frame and develop the students leadership philosophy, conference on various burning issues of the nation today and its impact on the UTs of DD & Puducherry, review on ground level implementation of the new initiatives of the Government of India and understanding of the governance of local Administration (Local Visits included), study on Industrial hub of the UT of DD (Industrial Visits included)	July 2018	Education Department & Tourism Department, Government of Daman & Diu





Students & Teachers Exchange Programs to exchange their view - UT of DD has a very vast Industrial Area. Students can come here for Industrial Training, to provide an opportunity to share ideas and knowledge, as well as learn about educational practices	July 2018	Education Department, Government of Daman & Diu
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Tripura - (Co-Partner - Mizoram – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Folk theatre of Tripura	July 2018 in Mizoram	Government of Tripura

Mizoram - (Co-Partner - Tripura) – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Folk theatre of Tripura	July 2018 Mizoram	Government of Tripura

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cycling /Mountaineering competition for the contingent from Tamil Nadu and students of J& K by Cluster University Srinagar	July 2018	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Exchange of Information on traditional agricultural practices among farmers for students studying Agricultural practices in the partner States by SKAUST Kashmir	July 2018	Government of Jammu & Kashmir
One week internship programme for 5 tourism students of Tamil Nadu at IUST Awantipora, Kashmir	July 2018	Government of Jammu & Kashmir





Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festival by IHM Dehradun and IHM of Uttarakhand – for Students from Karnataka	July 2018	Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Telangana artists in Mango Mela – Haryana	July 2018 in Haryana	Government of Haryana

Andaman & Nicobar Islands – (Paired with Lakshadweep)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of NSS & Scouts Students from A&N Islands to Lakshadweep	24 th -28 th July, 2018	Director (Sports) A&N Administration, Government of Andaman and Nicobar Island

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals through Students Exchange Programme & Teachers Exchange Programme	July 2018	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exposure of students to learn songs and opportunity to learn the local language, celebrate traditional festivities	July 2018	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance	July 2018	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides, Rovers and Rangers	July 2018	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organising Essay Competitions and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes	July 2018	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh

Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive / Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	July 2018	Government of Tamil Nadu
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu	July 2018	Government of Tamil Nadu
Translation of 10 important Proverbs of the prevailing Languages of Jammu & Kashmir State - the Linguistic Department and the students from Jammu & Kashmir studying in the partner Universities will assist in the process of Translation	July 2018	Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exposure of students of Sikkim to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in language of the partner state (Delhi)	- 28 th June to 5 th July 5, 2018, respectively in Sikkim	Government of Delhi





Participation of Delhi Kabaddi Team	2 Week of July, 2018 in in Sikkim	Government of Delhi
Visit of Teachers from Sikkim	July 2018 in Delhi	Government of Delhi

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Traditional Games festival	July 2018	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Youth Exchange from Andhra Pradesh to Punjab	July 2018	Department of Youth Services, AP & Punjab, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Telangana – (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Telangana Food Festival to be held in Haryana	July 2018	MD, Tourism Development Corporation, Government of Telangana

Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Drama Competition with Andaman & Nicobar Islands	July 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep





Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Chandigarh Classical Dance Festival - to promote classical dance forms of India , the artists from partner State shall be invited to participate in the event	July 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Chandigarh
Competition of Poem Recitation - A Competition of Poem Recitation(Marathi/Gujarati) - students of Government schools would participate in the event	July 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Education, Government of Chandigarh
Handball Match - A team (under 19 - both boys and girls) from Chandigarh would visit the partner State to participate in the match	July 2018 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Department of Sports, Government of Chandigarh

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ministry of Culture would be conducting Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres for Odisha. A range of cultural events have been planned and being executed for the Mahotsav	July 2018 in Maharashtra	Ministry of Culture, Government of India

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Karnataka between the paired States of Karnataka and Uttarakhand, in Assam between the paired States of Assam and Rajasthan, in Punjab between the paired States of Punjab and Andhra Pradesh and in Himachal Pradesh between the paired States of Himachal Pradesh and Kerala	July 2018	Department of Youth Affairs, Government of India





Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Academic Institutions and Entrepreneurship	July 2018	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs	July 2018	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India
34 Doordarshan Kendras will telecast for 15 minutes programmes on Costume and Jewellery	11 th and 25 th July, 2018, respectively, in Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India





Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in paired States - IHM Chandigarh and IHM Mumbai for Dadra & Nagar Haveli	July 2018	Ministry of Tourism, Government of India
Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz for people of the paired States/UTs - Maharashtra & Odisha	July 2018	Ministry of Tourism, Government of India

Ministry of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Handball (Boys U 20) 2 Semi final matches of the winners of June matches	July 2018, location based on the winner teams of earlier rounds	Department of Sports, Government of India
Handball (Girls U 20) 4 Quarter final matches of the winners of April & May matches	July 2018, location based on the winning teams of first rounds	Department of Sports, Government of India
Badminton (Boys/Girls) Between winners of earlier round matches played in May 2018	14 th July 2018 . Location to be based on winner States	Department of Sports, Government of India
2 semi-final matches for the quarter final winners in earlier matches	14 th July 2018	

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Madhubanai painting workshop and video show on North East Culture with focus on Bihar/ Tripura and Mizoram	July, 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad





Cultural evening depicting the culture of Goa and Jharkhand	30 th July, 2018 in Goa	IIT, Goa
Cultural Day for Jammu & Kashmir – Tamil Nadu on 29.7.2018	29 th July, 2018 in Dhanbad	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
EBSB Cultural Day on the Institute Day with focus on the states of Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar	22 nd July, 2018 in Bhubneshwar	IIT, Bhubneshwar
Ethnic day with focus on Rajasthan/Assam	26 th -27 th July, 2018 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
Fun competition among students of IIT Indore on the various cuisines of Manipur and Nagaland	27 th July, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
Photography exhibition with focus on Maharashtra & Odisha	29 th July, 2018 in Visakhapatnam	IIT, Visakhapatnam
Essay competition among students in the language of the partnering state. It will also organize optional classes in School/colleges for learning the language of the partnering states	July 2018 in Bangalore	IIM, Bangalore
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two states and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use, cultural exchange programmes between partnering states with the help of troupes identified in the home state through cultural competition, exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one state to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering state, encouraging the administrations of both/pledges in the two languages of the pairing states, organizing film festivals in the state with sub-titles of the partnering state and organizing photography competition for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering state	July 2018 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode
Screening of a Telugu film	16 th and 17 th July, 2018, respectively, in Rohtak	IIM, Rohtak
Blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	July 2018 in Calcutta	IIM Calcutta
Workshop on festivals related to Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	29 th July, 2018 in Allahabad	IIM, Allahabad





Painting competition on the features of Himachal Pradesh	July 2018	NIT, Calicut
Programme encouraging the administration of oaths, pledges of the language in the Tamil Nadu and Jammu & Kashmir	26 th July, 2018 in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
The programme on promotion of Rajya Darshan	July 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
Film festival with Gujarati /Marathi movie with subtitle and Verdigao folk dance of Daman & Diu	13 th and 29 th July, 2018 in Puducherry	NIT, Puducherry
Send students to NIT, Mizoram for participation in cultural related activity, sports meets, telecasting regional films, organizing blog competition, etc.	20 th -26 th August, 2018 in Agartala	NIT, Agartala
Cultural exhibition in connection with Lokrang Samaroh Festival, Madhya Pradesh and special programme on Bhagoria Tribal Festival of Madhya Pradesh	9 th and 31 st July, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Programme on Rangoli Art competition which represents Odisha Culture	31 st July, 2018 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
Tour visits to the heritage monuments in Andhra Pradesh	July 2018 in Chittoor	IIIT, Chittoor
EBSB Cultural Days	24 th and 31 st July, 2018, respectively, in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
An orientation programme for new students on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	26 th July, 2018 in Tripura	Tripura University
One week NSS Camp	26 th July, 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
An orientation programme for new students to know about the ideas/activities of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	26 th July, 2018 in Bihar	Central University of Bihar, Gaya
Cultural exchange programme for the Jammu & Kashmir students, tours for students of Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu, Jammu & Kashmir food festivals, songs festivals and one week central University of Tamil Nadu faculty visit to Jammu & Kashmir for future collaboration	July 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu





Introduce primitive sports specific to different regions/ states and conducting sports competitions. It will also organize film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	July 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Workshop –cum- training programme on culinary practices or Rajasthan	7 th and 8 th July, 2018, respectively, in Tezpur	Tezpur University
Video screening in orientation programme	27 th July, 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Display of the culture and heritage of Uttar Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir through posters and photographs	1 st , 16 th - 31 st July, 2018, respectively, in Allahabad	University of Allahabad
Several programmes in its schools such as food festival where Bangalore students will prepare Uttarakhand food, folk dance of Bihar by Assam students, essay writing, Collage making, debate etc.	July 2018	Central Board of Secondary Education
Dance festival of each one of the partner states	July 2018	KLE School, Dharwad





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar August 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh to conduct Monsoon Festival showcasing cultural performance Gujarat artistes too	August 2018 in Saputara, Chhattisgarh	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	August 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	August 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families who are residing locally, nearby colleges would invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	August 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	August 2018 in Rajasthan and Assam	Governments of Rajasthan and Assam
An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam	August 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	August 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





To share the best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of farmers and collaboration would be initiated through the ATMA scheme	August 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Assam
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Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Celebration of Independence Day – Organizing Platoons Parade	15 th August, 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Monsoon Festival - Cultural performance by Chhattisgarh Artists	August 2018 in Saputara, Chhattisgarh	Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exchange of State specific Books and Brochures	August 2018 in Kerala	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Identification and Translation of at least 100 proverbs of partner States	August 2018 in Kerala	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala
Organising FAM tours for Tour guides	August 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala
Bringing the Students for Onam Celebrations	August 2018 in Kerala	Department of Cultural Affairs, Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Film Festivals – Telecasting of Programmes of partner States in local Languages	August 2018 in Kerala	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala
Organising sports festivals, blog competitions, cycling competitions with the students of partner State	August 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala





Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Farmers tour from Jharkhand to Goa for exchange of information and traditional agricultural practices and forecasting for farmers	1 st and 2 nd Week of August, 2018 in Goa	Department of Agriculture, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Top notch Festivals of International standards Bengaluru Habba, Bengaluru International Arts Festival, Ranga Shankara Theatre Festival, Art Bengaluru – Contemporary Art Festival, Bengaluru Literature Festival, Jagriti Theatre Festival etc - Cultural troupes, performing artists of both the States	August 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Kannada and Culture, Government of Karnataka
Organising National School Games in a big way for Sportsmen from the Universities of Karnataka and Uttarakhand	August 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Youth and Sports, Government of Karnataka, in association with Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
Bharat Parv as part of the Republic Day and Independence Day Celebrations with the objective of promoting national integrity and show-casing cultural and culinary diversity to the people of Karnataka – students, cultural troupes, artists of both the States	August 2018 in Karnataka and Uttarakhand	Ministry of Tourism, Department of Tourism, Government of Karnataka, and Department of Tourism, Government of Uttarakhand

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of tribal groups from one State to the other	August 2018 in paired States	Government of Maharashtra





Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Introduction about achievers belonging to Sikkim in various areas during Assembly Session in Delhi schools	1 st Week of August, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim
Dance festivals - dances to be further popularized by conducting contests through regional channels	5 th - 10 th August, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim
Essay Competition on the culture/environment of Sikkim in Delhi Schools for Classes VI to XII	2 nd Week of August, 2018 in Delhi	Government of Sikkim
Cultural festival with opportunity to learn culinary practices and photography competitions highlighting culture and heritage	24 th - 28 th August, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of Sikkim

Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner of Manipur - Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
A Team of NSS (Students & Programme Officer) to visit Madhya Pradesh for interactive programme or exchange	August 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Youth & Sports, Government of Manipur
Participation of Parade Contingents in the Independence Day Celebrations of Madhya Pradesh	15 th August, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Home, Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur and Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of parade contingent in Independence Day Programme	15 th August, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Home, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Events focussing on culture, art etc would be organised throughout the State on Independence Day Celebrations	15 th August, 2018 in Assam	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Assam

Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Arts Envoy - Stylistic, comparative, historical, and formal analysis of visual forms through written and oral communications; they would acquire knowledge of the fundamentals of art and design, gain experience with the required tools, materials and techniques for making art and design and master specific concepts and skills indigenous to the region of Dadra & Nagar Haveli (e.g. Warli Art, Tarpa Making etc). Workshops would be conducted in diverse fields including theatre, folk dance forms, folk music, sculpture, painting, the preservation of cultural heritage, conservation, museum administration and arts management, introduction to local art forms (visit to local villages)	August 2018 in Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Department of Education, Department of Tourism and Department of Arts & Culture and Bal Bhawan, Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Arts Envoy - Stylistic, comparative, historical and formal analysis of visual forms through written and oral communications; students would be sent to Bal Bhawan to acquire knowledge of the fundamentals of art and design, to gain experience with the required tools, materials and techniques for making specialized Korai mats of Puducherry	August 2018 in Daman & Diu	Department of Education and Department of Tourism, Society for Promotion of Tourism Art & Culture, Government of Daman & Diu





Mizoram (Co-partner - Tripura – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Mizoram Mahotsav	August 2018 in Bihar	Government of Mizoram

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of NCC cadets from Tamil Nadu on the eve of Independence Day parade by Cluster University, Srinagar	August 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Yoga Activities for students from Karnataka	August 2018 in Jageshwar, Uttarakhand	Department of Ayush, Government of Uttarakhand

Telangana – (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural team from Haryana would be invited to participate in Independence Day celebrations at Golconda & Ravindra Bharathi	August 2018 in Telangana	Department of Language & Culture, Government of Telangana





Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Haryanvi Dance performance by artists of Haryana on Independence Day eve	August 2018 in Telangana	Government of Haryana
Dance performance by Telangana artists on the occasion of Teej	August 2018 in Raj Bhavan, Haryana	Government of Haryana

Andaman & Nicobar Islands – (Paired with Lakshadweep)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Andaman & Nicobar Cultural and Food Festival with Painting Exhibition by Island Artists	9 th - 13 th August, 2018 in Andaman & Nicobar Islands	Department of Arts & Culture, Government of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals – Students Exchange Programme & Teachers Exchange Programme	August 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exposure of students to learn songs and opportunity to learn the local language, celebration of traditional festivities	August 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance	August 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides, Rovers and Rangers	August 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Organisation of training programmes for educational administrators and teachers	August 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organising Essay Competitions and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes	August 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh

Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Conducting Quiz Competitions for University students in the partner States – Anna, Bharathidasan, Manomaiam Sundaranar and Tamil Nadu Open Universities would conduct Quiz Programmes through video conferencing with the students of paired Universities in Jammu and Kashmir	August 2018 in paired States	Government of Tamil Nadu
For creating special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation would provide 15% Incentive/ Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	August 2018 in paired States	Government of Tamil Nadu
To Give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation would provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu	August 2018 in paired States	Government of Tamil Nadu
To Visit Temples preferably during Festivals in the Paired States, the Hindu Religious & Endowment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, would send invitation relating to important festivals to the Government of Jammu & Kashmir to visit Tamil Nadu	August 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu





Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Teachers from Sikkim	August 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Introduction about achievers belonging to Sikkim in various areas during Assembly in Schools	1 st Week of August, 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Dances festivals; dances can be further popularized by conducting contests carried by regional channels	5 th - 10 th August, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi
Essay Competition on the culture/ environment of Sikkim in Delhi Schools	2 nd Week of August, 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Essay Competition (Hindi) on the issues relating to Delhi-Sikkim partnerships in Shaheed Sukhdev College of Business Studies	August 2018 in Rohini, Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Cultural festival with opportunity to learn culinary practices and photography competitions, highlighting culture and heritage	24 th - 28 th August, 2018 in Sikkim	Government of NCT of Delhi

Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Two-day Andhra Pradesh/ Punjab Folklore Festivals in Tirupati	August 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	Department of Culture, Department of Youth Services and Department of Higher Education, Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab
Tableau of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	15 th August, 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	Department of Culture, Government of Andhra Pradesh





Lakshadweep (Paired with A&N Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	August 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep

Puducherry (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Library festival	August 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry
Fashion Show	August 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry
Fete-de-Puducherry - to invite Daman & Diu contingent	August 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry

Nagaland – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh – Co-partner - Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Nagaland to send one parade contingent from Nagaland during Independence Day	15 th August, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Home, Government of Nagaland





Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Chandigarh Arts and Heritage Festival - Numerous folk and tribal Dances of India to be showcased – learning of traditional dances of DNH, special workshops/ classes in Government schools as well as in Tagore Theatre. Dance Artistes/Instructors would be invited from the partner UT to present its various dance forms	August 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Chandigarh
Audio Visual Presentation on contemporary Arts would be organised by the Artists of Chandigarh in DNH	August 2018 in Lalit Kala Akademi, Chandigarh	Government of Chandigarh
Participation of contingent of 28 students of DNH in Parade on Independence Day in Chandigarh on 15 th August 2018, including one folk Dance/ Song of DNH by the students of Punjab/Haryana, in culture bonanza, on the eve of Independence Day. Participants from DNH would stay in Chandigarh for 7 days. During the period of stay, they would visit schools and interact with students to understand their culture and language (Punjabi/Haryanavi)	10 th - 16 th August, 2018 and 15 th August, 2018 in Chandigarh	Government of Chandigarh

Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of tribal groups of reciprocal basis with Maharashtra	August 2018	SC/ST Department, Government of Odisha





Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ministry of Culture is organising Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support of Zonal Cultural Centres between Maharashtra and Odisha - A gamut of cultural events have been planned and would be executed for the Mahotsav	August 2018 in Maharashtra and Odisha	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat would have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Chhattisgarh between the paired States of Chhattisgarh & Gujarat; in Odisha between the paired States of Odisha & Maharashtra; in Uttarakhand between the paired States of Uttarakhand & Karnataka; and in Rajasthan between the paired States of Rajasthan & Assam	August 2018 in paired States	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Kerala and Himachal Pradesh in University of Kerala	1 st -7 th August, 2018 in Kerala	Department of Youth Affairs
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Telangana and Haryana in Kakatiya University	15 th - 21 st August, 2018 in Warangal, Telangana	Department of Youth Affairs





Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Stations would broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations would also broadcast programmes on State Heroes for their contribution towards National Unity and Integrity	August 2018 in all aired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities would produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs 34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar would telecast for 15 minutes programmes on Lifestyle	August 2018 in Paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States - IHM Mumbai, Maharashtra, and IHM Bhubaneswar, Odisha	August 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism





IHM Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh: IHM Guwahati, for Arunachal Pradesh, & IHM Shillong, Meghalaya	August 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism
IHM Gurdaspur, Punjab & IHM Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	August 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism
Accommodation would be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz to the paired States/UTs - Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	August 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism

Department of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Hockey		
Uttarakhand & Karnataka vs Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland	1 st August, 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Department of Sports
Delhi & Sikkim vs Himachal Pradesh & Kerala	1 st August, 2018 in Delhi	
Haryana & Telangana vs Puducherry & Daman & Diu	1 st August, 2018 in Haryana	
Punjab & Andhra Pradesh vs Jammu & Kashmir & Tamil Nadu	1 st August, 2018 in Punjab	
Bihar & Tripura, Mizoram vs Goa & Jharkhand	1 st August, 2018 in Jharkhand	
Maharashtra & Odisha vs Rajasthan & Assam	1 st August, 2018 in Maharashtra	
Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli vs Gujarat & Chhattisgarh	1 st August, 2018 in Chhattisgarh	
Quarter finals of above matches – 2 matches	18 th August, 2018 – locations to be based on winner teams	
Kho Kho Finals of Kho Kho matches held in earlier months	11 th August, 2018 in Delhi	





Handball (Boys U-20) Finals of earlier matches	August 2018 (location to be decided based on winner teams' locations)	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Semi-finals of earlier matches	10 th - 11 th August, 2018 (location to be based on winner teams' locations)	Department of Sports
Football (Girls) Finals	14 th August, 2018 (location to be based on the two finalists' locations)	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Semi-finals of earlier matches	8 th - 9 th August, 2018 (location to be based on winner teams)	Department of Sports
Football (Boys) Finals	12 th August, 2018 (location to be based on finalists' locations)	

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Video show on culture and heritage of Lakshadweep / Andaman & Nicobar Islands, a workshop on Bamboo works/ Onam with focus on Himachal Pradesh & Kerala and Video show on UNESCO world heritage sites in Karnataka	August 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
EBSB Day with focus on Delhi – Sikkim, Bihar – Mizoram and Uttarakhand – Karnataka	11 th , 12 th and 18 th August, 2018, respectively, in Guwahati	IIT, Guwahati
Cultural Days for Himachal Pradesh & Kerala and Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland	15 th & 26 th August, 2018, respectively, in Dhanbad	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
Programmes on cultural activities related to Kerala, and to Maharashtra	8 th & 12 th August, 2018, respectively, in Andhra Pradesh	IIT, Tirupati





EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Delhi & Sikkim, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland and Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	5 th , 19 th & 26 th August, 2018, respectively, in Kharagpur	IIT, Kharagpur
EBSB Cultural Day on Independence Day with focus on Himachal Pradesh & Kerala	August 2018 in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
Painting exhibition on Bihar and Mizoram	10 th August, 2018 in Goa	IIT, Goa
Worli art workshop , Garba and Saila folk dance of Gujarat & Chhattisgarh	24 th - 25 th August, 2018, respectively, in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
EBSB Days with focus on Rajasthan & Assam, Himachal Pradesh & Kerala and Uttarakhand & Karnataka	10 th , 25 th & 26 th August, respectively, 2018 in Patna	IIT, Patna
EBSB Cultural Days with the music of Delhi & Sikkim, with the dances of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland and with the dresses of Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	17 th , 24 th & 31 st August, 2018, respectively, in Chennai	IIT, Madras
EBSB Cultural Days with lectures on culture of Nagaland & Mizoram; classes in local languages of Mizoram and Nagaland/ performance by Kerala students showing unity in diversity of the country; language classes in Assamese for Rajasthani students ; performance of Assamese songs and Bihu; detailed presentation on the major cultural highlights of Kerala by students of Kerala; classes for Bihari students in local languages/ demonstration of festivals like Garia Puja, Kharchi Puja etc.	8 th , 10 th , 13 th & 24 th August, 2018, respectively, in Palakkad	IIT, Palakkad
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Delhi & Sikkim, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland and Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya. The programme would contain choreography and dance, music, art and crafts, food stalls, creative writing, poetry etc.	17 th , 24 th & 31 st August, 2018, respectively, in Roorkee	IIT, Roorkee
EBSE Cultural Days with focus on Delhi & Sikkim, Goa & Jharkhand and Tamil Nadu & Jammu & Kashmir	12 th , 15 th & 18 th August, 2018, respectively, in Mumbai	IIT, Bombay
EBSB Cultural Days with the dance and music of Maharashtra and Odisha and with the dances of Goa and Jharkhand	11 th & 25 th August, 2018, respectively, in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day with the traditional dances of Kerala & Himachal Pradesh	20 th August, 2018 in Gandhinagar	IIT, Gandhinagar





EBSB Cultural Day with fun competition among students of IIT, Indore, on learning Manipuri	24 th August, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
EBSB Cultural Days with dance/songs of Goa-Jharkhand and with dance/songs of Delhi & Sikkim	1 st & 15 th August, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
Tug of War & Handicrafts of Kerala & Himachal Pradesh and music of Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands.	18 th and 21 st August, 2018, respectively, in Ropar	IIT, Ropar
Talent Nite, Independence Day, Bakrid Celebrations and Onam Celebrations	9 th , 15 th , 21 st and 27 th August, 2018, respectively, in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States / combined tableau of partnering States on the occasion, and a lecture on the history of Uttarakhand	15 th & 26 th August, 2018, respectively, in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore
Tourism Expo with focus on Gujarat - Chhattisgarh and a film festival with focus on Uttarakhand & Karnataka	15 th August, 2018 in Trichy	IIM, Trichy
Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States with their translations & dissemination for interchangeable use ; cultural exchange programmes between the partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition; exchange programme for writers and poets etc. in the form of literary festival, exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State ; encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing States; organizing film festivals in the State with sub-titles of the partnering States and organizing photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering States	August 2018 in Kozhikode	IIM, Kozhikode
Translation of at least 5 award winning books and 5 award winning songs of one State in the language of the partnering State	August 2018 in Kolkata	IIM, Calcutta
Tourism fair with focus on Goa-Jharkhand and Cultural Exchange Programme with focus on Delhi & Sikkim	5 th & 26 th August, 2018, respectively, in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam





Educational tour, drama & other cultural events	16 th and 26 th and 17 th and 28 th August, 2018, respectively, in Nagpur	IIM, Nagpur
Dramas of other States in the educational institutions of the partnering States, blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, promotion of Rajya Darshan programmes for tourists from partnering States, promotion of home stay culture for visitors from partnering States, and organizing combined tableau of partnering States	9 th , 10 th , 11 th , 12 th and 15 th August, 2018 in Udaipur	IIM, Udaipur
EBSB Cultural Days with fashion show on Maharashtra and cultural exchange	10 th & 29 th August, 2018, respectively, in Sambalpur	IIM, Sambalpur
Discussion on the vernaculars of Delhi and Sikkim and painting competition	15 th & 29 th August, 2018, respectively, in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim
Programme on exposure of arts and crafts of Daman & Diu	15 th August, 2018 in Puducherry	NIT, Puducherry
Culinary competition, and tour to Telangana by some faculty and students of NIT Kurukshetra	4 th & 22 nd - 30 th August, 2018 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
Poster exhibition	15 th August, 2018 in Nagpur	VNIT, Nagpur
Local folk evening	26 th August, 2018 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
Workshop on Dramas related to Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	15 th August, 2018 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad
Competition based on the traditional handicrafts of Himachal Pradesh	August 2018 in Kozhikode	NIT, Calicut
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on orientation of the organizing committee	10 th August, 2018 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
Essay writing competition	August 2018 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
Optional classes in colleges for learning the language of the partnering State, Jammu & Kashmir	18 th - 19 th August, 2018 in Tiruchippalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
Showcasing of the combined tableau of Delhi & Sikkim, and screening of famous movie/documentary from Sikkim for NIT, Delhi students	15 th & 29 th August, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	NIT, Delhi





Screening of movies in the Institute with sub-titles in the languages of the partnering States, optional classes in the Institutes for learning the languages of the partnering States and inclusion of few pages in the course book of Institute in the languages of the partnering States	10 th to 12 th August, 2018, respectively, in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
Workshop on festivals and drama related to Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya	8 th & 29 th August, 2018, respectively, in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
Cultural exchange programme with partnering States through students of Andhra Pradesh and National Quiz Competition on various languages on MyGov.in portal	15 th & 29 th August, 2018, respectively, in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar
Essay competition on EBSB	August 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
Elocution programme with focus on Assam	18 th August, 2018 in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
National Handloom Day with traditional dresses related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya and Independence Day with painting competitions related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	7 th & 15 th August, 2018, respectively, in Arunachal Pradesh	NIT, Arunachal Pradesh
Manipur Handloom Exhibition	6 th August, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Tour by group of people to Manipur cultural heritage site and special cultural programme on Manipuri culture with special focus on Ningol Chakouba festival	3 rd & 25 th August, 2018, respectively, in Manipur	NIT, Nagaland
Cultural exchange programme	15 th August, 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
EBSB Cultural days with animal folk dance by eminent group from Berhampur and Violin recital by Guru Banisdhar Bahalia	1 st August, 2018 in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
EBSB Cultural Day with folk dance of Kerala, Manipur and western dances	25 th August, 2018 in Goa	NIT, Goa
Tour visit to the heritage monuments in Andhra Pradesh, especially in Chittoor District	August 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	IIIT, Chittoor





EBSB Cultural Day	31 st August, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Days	12 th & 25 th August, 2018 in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
Quiz, singing and dancing competitions	6 th to 8 th August, 2018 in Kota	IIIT, Kota
EBSB Cultural Day	14 th August, 2018 in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
Culinary competition, and tour of Telangana by some faculties and students of NIT, Kurukshetra	4 th and 22 nd - 30 th August, 2018, respectively, in Telangana and Sonapat	IIIT, Sonapat
EBSB Cultural Days with experience sharing from Nagaland and Manipur, and Quiz competition	15 th & 25 th August, 2018, respectively, in Gwalior	ABV-IIIT, Gwalior
Programme where students of Lakshadweep perform on Andaman & Nicobar Islands culture and vice-versa, where Delhi students perform on Sikkim culture & vice-versa and where Rajasthani students would perform on Assamese Culture & vice-versa	11 th , 18 th and 25 th August, 2018, respectively, in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on Haryana & Telangana and Himachal Pradesh & Kerala respectively	5 th & 27 th August, 2018, respectively, in Kolkata	IISER, Kolkata
Art exhibition and cultural dance programme	7 th & 27 th August, 2018, respectively, in Berhampur	IISER, Berhampur
EBSB Cultural Days with various activities such as Quiz, food festival, dance recital (folk and classical), Telugu poetry & Music, poster making, essay writing, drama etc.	4 th & 26 th August, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Function on traditional attire	15 th August, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Bonalu, the festival of Telangana celebrated in University	3 rd August, 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Panel discussion on Cultural Diversity	23 rd August, 2018 in Bihar	Central University of South Bihar, Gaya





Cultural exchange programme for Jammu & Kashmir students; tours for students of Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu; Jammu & Kashmir food festivals, songs festivals; and one week CUTN faculty visit to Jammu & Kashmir for future collaboration	August 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Debating competition	10 th August, 2018 in Delhi	University of Delhi
Primitive sports specific to different regions/States and conducting of sports competitions, film shows & documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture, and broadcasting of programmes on Indian culture and heritage on campus radio	August 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
EBSB Cultural Days with Assamese music, and Assamese dance	10 th & 31 st August, 2018, respectively, in Rajasthan	Central University of Rajasthan
Promotion of home stay culture for tourists from Rajasthan	1 st - 31 st August, 2018 in Assam	Tezpur University
Cultural performance	31 st August, 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Photography competition for the people of one State creating the portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State	7 th - 9 th August, 2018 in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
Fashion show with attires of different States	17 th August, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Rangoli and painting competition	1st-31st August, 2017 in Allahabad	University of Allahabad
Cluster level student exchange programmes	2 nd fortnight of August, 2018 in KVS schools all over the country	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
Several programmes in its schools such as dance drama based on Bengali folk tales, Bengali folk dance, Rabindra Sangeet by Udaipur students, Fashion show/ Fancy dress competition showcasing the costume of Uttarakhand in Bengaluru school, music event based on the States of Odisha & Maharashtra, Bharatnatyam dance by Puducherry students etc.	August 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country	Central Board of Secondary Education





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar September 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh would participate in Tarnetar Fair of Gujarat, showcasing cultural performance by Chhattisgarh artists	13 th to 15 th September, 2018 in Tarnetar, Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language</p> <p>Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges</p> <p>For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize Interaction programmes about general traditions, culture & language</p> <p>Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States</p> <p>An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam</p> <p>To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students</p> <p>To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of Farmers and collaboration will be initiated through ATMA scheme</p>	All activities in September 2018	Education Department, Government of Rajasthan





Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Various schools and colleges of Gujarat will organize National Quiz Competitions in various languages in MyGov.in Portal	September 2018	Education Department, Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Familiarisation (FAM) Tour for Tour Guides	September 2018	Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Inviting and bringing students from Himachal for Onam Celebrations	September 2018	Department of Cultural Affairs/Tourism, Government of Kerala
Organising sports festivals, blog competitions, cycling competitions and photography competitions for students from partner State	September 2018	Government of Kerala

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of students of Primary, Secondary and Higher Education from Uttarakhand to Coastal (Sun, Sea & Sand), Mangaluru, Udupi, Kundapur, Muradeshwar, Karwar and Gokarna	2 nd Week of September 2018	Department of Tourism and Department of Public, Instruction, Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka
World Folk Day celebrations – Folk troupes from Uttarakhand	September 2018 at Ravindra Kalakshetra, Bengaluru	Kannada and Cultural Department, Government of Karnataka





Team of students and teachers from Uttarakhand to visit Mysuru Dussehera	September 2018	Commissionerate for Public Instruction and Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka
Organising National School Games in a big way for Sportsmen from Universities of Karnataka and Uttarakhand	September 2018	Department of Youth and Sports, Karnataka, in association with Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exposure visits of PRI members to Ralegan Siddhi/Hiware Bazar in Maharashtra. A reciprocal visit of stakeholders in rural development & water conservation to Odisha to sensitise PRI members about Odisha.	September 2018 in Odisha	Panchayat Raj Department, Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Introduction about successful and reputed teachers of Sikkim during morning Assembly in Schools	1 st Week of September, 2018 in all Schools of Delhi	Government of Sikkim
Organising cycling expeditions for students/people of one State to the places in partner State	8 th to 12 th September, 2018	Government of Sikkim





Manipur – (Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Teachers/Students Exchange Programmes – A team of Teachers/ Students from the Colleges of Manipur to visit Madhya Pradesh and a series of activities to be taken up with the Teachers of Madhya Pradesh	September 2018	Higher & Technical Education, Government of Manipur

Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Teachers/Faculty Exchange - Exposure visit to Institutions in Rajasthan	September 2018	Education Department, Government of Assam

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura - Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sports Festivals of indigenous sports of Bihar, Mizoram and Tripura	25 th to 30 th September, 2018 in Patna, Bihar	Sports Department, Government of Bihar
Cultural events with partner States	24 th September to 8 th October, 2018 at Sri Pitripaksha Mela	Government of Bihar





Arunachal Pradesh (Co-partner Meghalaya) – Paired with Uttar Pradesh

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ziro Festival of Music - Cultural Troupes & Students from U.P. & Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh - Cultural exchanges through participation in traditional dances and local practices of Apatani tribe of Arunachal Pradesh	Last Week of September 2018 at Ziro, Lower Subansiri District of Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Art competition related to cultural heritage would be organized	Last Week of September 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya & Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Students & Teachers Exchange Programmes to provide an opportunity to share ideas and knowledge as well as learn about educational practices	September 2018	Education Department, Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Programmes on maintenance and improvement of the health of pupils and school personnel, including health services, healthful living & health education, target the children for oral health awareness and demonstration of correct methods for oral hygiene	September 2018	Medical & Health Services, Government of Daman & Diu





Tripura - (Co-Partner – Mizoram – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Film Festivals will be organized in both the States where the local films will be screened	September 2018	Government of Tripura

Mizoram - (Co-Partner - Tripura) – Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Film Festivals will be organized in both the States where the local films will be screened.	September 2018	Government of Mizoram

Jammu & Kashmir – (Paired with Tamil Nadu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Tamil Nadu students in the 15 days Youth Festival viz., “Display Your Talent” at the University of Jammu	September 2018	Government of Jammu & Kashmir

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Homestay visit at Dhanolti / Almora for Home stay owners from Karnataka	September 2018	Tourism Departments of Government of Uttarakhand and Karnataka





Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
National Folk Theatre Festival	September 2018 at Tagore Theatre, Chandigarh	Government of Haryana

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Dance Festivals – students exchange</p> <p>Exposure of students to learn songs and opportunity to learn the local Language, celebrate traditional festivities</p> <p>Organisation of NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides, Rovers and Rangers</p> <p>Exchange programmes for students in Vocational Education, ICT and Exchange of Good Practices under Mid Day Meal Scheme</p> <p>Organising Essay Competitions and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes</p>	September 2018	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
<p>Cultural Programmes in hotels/restaurants and culinary festivals, dance festivals etc.</p> <p>Developing Tour Guides and Home Stay Programmes</p>	September 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Food Festivals	September 2018	Government of Himachal Pradesh
<p>Promoting Culture, music of partner State through various modes including Aakashvani, FM Channel etc. and participating in the fair and festivals of the partner State.</p> <p>Books containing information on the culture of the State will be shared with partner State</p>	September 2018	Language Arts and Culture – Jointly with Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive/ Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	September 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels of Tamil Nadu	September 2018	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
Quiz Competitions for University Students in the Partner States - Anna, Bharathidasan, Manonmaiam Sundaranar and Tamil Nadu Open Universities will conduct Quiz Programmes through video conferencing with the students of paired Universities in Jammu & Kashmir	September 2018	Government of Tamil Nadu

Telangana – (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
World Tourism Day celebrations in Hyderabad. Haryana team would be invited	27 th September, 2018 in Hyderabad	Commissioner of Tourism, Government of Telangana





Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Sharing of best practices in Governance	September 2018	IT & C Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Introduction about successful and reputed Teachers of Sikkim during morning Assembly in Schools	1 st Week of September, 2018 in all Schools of Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi
Organising cycling expeditions for students/people of one State to the places in partner State	8 th to 12 th September, 2018	Government of NCT of Delhi

Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Exchange programmes	September 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Exchange programmes	September 2018	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry





Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Competitions related to cultural heritage	September 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Meghalaya – (Paired Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner, Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art competitions related to cultural heritage	September 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tourism Week - World Tourism Week by organizing various cultural activities, competitions and musical evenings at different venues	September 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Tourism, Government of Chandigarh
Football Matches with players from DNH	September 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Sports, Government of Chandigarh





Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ministry of Culture is organising Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support of Zonal Cultural Centres between Telangana and Haryana. A gamut of cultural events have been planned and will be executed for the Mahotsav	September 2018	Ministry of Culture

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat will have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Jharkhand between the paired States of Jharkhand and Goa; in Sikkim between the pair of Sikkim and Delhi; in Gujarat between the paired States of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh and in Maharashtra between the paired States of Maharashtra and Odisha	September 2018	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. AIR Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Folklore and Local Music, including Regional Films	September 2018 in all Paired States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting





<p>Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)</p> <p>All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs</p> <p>34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar will telecast for 15 minutes, programmes on the theme Paintings and Fine Arts</p>	<p>June 2018 in all Paired States/UTs</p> <p>12th and 26th September, 2018, in all Paired States/UTs</p>	<p>Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting</p>
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Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States - IHM Chennai for Puducherry and nearest State for Daman & Diu</p> <p>Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz to the paired States - Punjab & Andhra Pradesh</p>	<p>September 2018</p>	<p>Ministry of Tourism</p>

Department of Sports

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Hockey (Boys/Girls)- Finals</p>	<p>4th September, 2018 (Location as per the composition of the finalists)</p>	<p>Department of Sports</p>





Handball (Girls)- Finals	September 2018 (Location as per the composition of the finalists)	Department of Sports
Demonstrations in the traditional sports of Mallakhamba, Squay and Kalaripattaya would be held for the paired States of Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram and for Uttarakhand & Karnataka for Puducherry & Daman & Diu.	7 th to 10 th September; 15 th to 17 th September and 26 th to 28 th September 2018 in Agartala	Department of Sports

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ethnic Day / Assamese Movie play with focus on Rajasthan/ Assam	September 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
Cultural Day for Uttar Pradesh and Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya & for Delhi and Sikkim	8 th and 29 th September, 2018, respectively, in Dhanbad	IIT, (ISM), Dhanbad
Discussion and exhibition on regional architectural styles and structures of houses on Housing Day and discussion and exhibition on tourist attractions and heritage sites of paired states on World Heritage Day	18 th and 27 th September, 2018, respectively, in Jodhpur	IIT, Jodhpur
Showcasing of the best performances and prize distribution and cultural programmes on the theme EBSB	22 nd and 23 rd September, 2018, respectively, in Tirupati	IIT, Tirupati
EBSB Cultural Day with special focus on Bihar, Tripura and Mizoram	9 th September, 2018 in Kharagpur	IIT, Kharagpur
EBSB Cultural Days with special focus on Uttar Pradesh –Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya and also Jammu & Kashmir and Tamil Nadu	5 th & 15 th September, 2018, respectively, in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
EBSB Cultural Day with folk dances of Assam and Rajasthan	7 th September, 2018 in Goa	IIT, Goa
Folk dance of Maharashtra/Odisha	15 th September, 2018 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai





Short film festival with focus on Bihar, Tripura and Mizoram and food festival with focus on Chandigarh and Dadra and Nagar Haveli	7 th & 14 th September, 2018, respectively, in Madras	IIT, Madras
EBSB Cultural Days with lecture on North Eastern Culture with focus on Sikkim. It will also organize a programme with focus on Maharashtra and Odisha with traditional Maharathi Dance, prayer songs performed on Ganesh Chaturthi by students from Odisha, identification of proverbs with similar meaning in the languages of Maharashtra and Odisha, demonstration of traditional Odiya festivals like Mahabisuva Sankranti and Raja Parb by Marathi students	5 th & 15 th September, 2018, respectively, in Palakkad	IIT, Palakkad
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram and on Chandigarh and Dadra & Nagar Haveli, The Programme will contain Choreography and dance, Music, Art and Crafts, food stalls, Creative writing, Poetry etc.	7 th & 14 th September, 2018, respectively, in Roorkee	IIT, Roorkee
EBSB Cultural Day with Kathak dance, Ghazals, Sufi Music of Delhi and Singhi Chham dance of Sikkim	8 th September, 2018 in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Days with dance/song of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland and with dance/songs of Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	12 th & 19 th September, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
Ganesh Chaturthi celebration involving all States' students	13 th to 15 th September, 2018 in Ahmedabad	IIM, Ahmedabad
Hindi Divas & Hindi Fortnight	14 th to 28 th September, 2018 in Ahmedabad	
Organize optional classes in School/colleges for learning the language of the partnering states. Also organize blog competitions on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	1 st to 30 th September, 2018 in Bangalore	IIM, Bangalore
Essay competition with focus on Haryana/ Telangana, cultural exchange with focus on Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram and photography exhibition with focus on Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands	9 th & 23 rd September, 2018, respectively, in Trichy	IIM, Trichy





<p>Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two states with their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use; cultural exchange programmes between partnering states with the help of troupes identified in the home state through cultural competition; exchange programme for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival; exposure of students of one state to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering state; encouraging the taking of pledges in the two languages of the pairing states; organizing film festivals in the state with subtitles of the partnering state and organizing photography competition for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering state</p>	<p>September 2018 in Kozhikode</p>	<p>IIM, Kozhikode</p>
<p>Cycling expedition for the students/ people of one state to the places in the partnering state</p>	<p>September 2018 in Calcutta</p>	<p>IIM, Calcutta</p>
<p>EBSB Cultural Days with language exposure of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland with culinary festival of Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pardesh & Meghalaya</p>	<p>16th & 23rd September, 2018, respectively, in Visakhapatnam</p>	<p>IIM, Visakhapatnam</p>
<p>EBSB Cultural Day with blog Competition</p>	<p>10th September, 2018 in Nagpur</p>	<p>IIM, Nagpur</p>
<p>Essay competition among students in the language of Assam and optional classes in School/College, where feasible, for learning the language of Assam</p>	<p>10th & 12th September, 2018, respectively, in Udaipur</p>	<p>IIM, Udaipur</p>
<p>Cultural tour and Maharathi film festival</p>	<p>15th & 27th September, 2018, respectively, in Sambalpur</p>	<p>IIM, Sambalpur</p>
<p>Band performance playing Assamese song tunes and Assamese film show</p>	<p>9th & 10th September, 2018, respectively, in Jaipur</p>	<p>NIT, Jaipur</p>
<p>Ziro Festival tour for students</p>	<p>27th September, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh</p>	<p>NIT, Arunachal Pradesh</p>
<p>Madhya Pradesh craft fare exhibition</p>	<p>7th September, 2018 in Manipur</p>	<p>NIT, Manipur</p>
<p>Madhya Pradesh folk dance presentation</p>	<p>28th September, 2018 in Nagaland</p>	<p>NIT, Nagaland</p>





Photography competition for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and culture of Punjab	September 2018 Andhra Pradesh	NIT, Andhra Pradesh
EBSB Cultural Days with tribal dance (Jhumar) from Lahuni Para and tribal Munda dance	8 th & 20 th September, 2018, respectively, in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
A blog competition on Indian culture	September 2018 in Sikkim	NIT, Sikkim
A programme on contemporary Portugal dance by the invitees of Daman & Diu and a fashion show broadcasting the tradition	7 th & 8 th September, 2018, respectively, in Puducherry	NIT, Puducherry
EBSB Cultural Day with photography competition on the theme of Telangana state culture and tourism	8 th September, 2018 in Kurukshetra	NIT, Kurukshetra
Rajasthani folk evening	2 nd & 14 th September, 2018 in Silchar	NIT, Silchar
Regional Short Films/Documentary showcasing elements of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	14 th September, 2018 in Allahabad	NIT, Allahabad
Discussion on Rakshasa Dance, Kayang Dance, Bakayan Dance, Rasa Dance and Jhoor Dance	September 2018 in Calicut	NIT, Calicut
Photography competition	September 2018 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
A visit of NIT Srinagar students with a special dance by NIT Srinagar students and will also organize fashion show in Kashmiri attire during Fashionitas – Festember 18	20 th to 23 rd September and 23 rd September, 2018, respectively, in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
A blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	3 rd September, 2018 in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
Cycling expeditions for the students of one State to the places of the partnering State	23 rd September, 2018 in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
Workshop on historical and geographical background related to Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya	26 th September, 2018 in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
Photography competition for the people of one state creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering states	19 th September, 2018 in Jalandhar	NIT, Jalandhar





National Quiz Competition in various languages and State specific quiz competition	September 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
EBSB Cultural Days with celebration of Guru Samman Day and General knowledge quiz on Odisha	5th & 14 th September, 2018 in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur
EBSB Cultural Day	21st September, 2018 in Dharwad	IIIT, Dharwad
EBSB Cultural Day	15 th September, 2018 in Allahabad	IIIT, Allahabad
EBSB Cultural Day	17 th September, 2018 in Kalyani	IIIT, Kalyani
EBSB Cultural Day with photography competitions on the theme of Telangana state culture and tourism	8 th September, 2018 in Sonepat	IIIT, Sonepat, Haryana
Presentation by the students on role of youth in the development of tourism in Nagaland, Manipur and Madhya Pradesh; technical and managerial session on sensitization on technical and management issues by students and Video conferencing session involving experts from Nagaland and Manipur and Gwalior tourism	5 th , 15 th & 27 th September, 2018, respectively, in Gwalior	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management (ABV-IIITM), Gwalior
EBSB Cultural Day with a performance by Bengali students on Pondicherry and Pondicherry students on Bengali culture	15 th September, 2018 in Thiruvananthapuram	IISER, Thiruvananthapuram
EBSB Cultural Days with dance, skit, Rangoli and song programme	12 th & 26 th September, 2018 in Berhampur	IISER, Berhampur
EBSB Cultural Day with various activities such as Quiz, Food festival, Dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and Music, Poster Making, Essay writing, Drama, etc.	17 th September, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
University will organise local cuisines of Mizoram with representatives from Mizoram University	September 2018 in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, Bihar
A visit of the University team to Bihar for cycle rally, drama, elocution, debate. It will also organize visit by the representatives of University of Mizoram for cycle rally, drama elocution, debate during the same period	1 st to 14 th September, 2018 in Tripura	Tripura University
Organize familiarisation tour for tour operators of Punjab and Himachal Pradesh	21 st September, 2018 in Jammu & Kashmir	Central University of Jammu





Literary festival by inviting poets/writers from the paired states	September 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
A heritage walk to Bodhgaya, Rajgir, Nalanda to experience India's glorious past through its architecture and structure	4 th to 20 th September, 2018 in South Bihar	Central University of South Bihar
A panel discussion on EBSB	September 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Competition of sports of Sikkim; glimpse of traditional culture of Sikkim and painting competition	19 th , 25 th , & 26 th September, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	University of Delhi
Introduce primitive sports specific to different regions/ states and conducting sports competitions. Also organize film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	September 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
A Cultural Debate	7 th September, 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Cultural exchange programme between the partnering states with the help of troupes identified in the home state through cultural competitions, educational tour by University students reciprocally in the partnering states to bring out the salient features of that state and dramas of the other state	18 th to 20 th September, 2018 in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
A visit to Bihar by University team under cultural exchange/ educational tour	1 st to 14 th September, 2018 in Mizoram	Mizoram University
Programmes on academic exchange, cycle rally and village tour	10 th to 14 th September, 2018 in Chhattisgarh	Guru Ghashidas Vishwavidhyalaya ,Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
A programme on Assamese drama	21 st September, 2018 in Rajasthan	Central University of Rajasthan
Workshop-cum-training programme on traditional agricultural practices and crop forecasting of Rajasthan among the farmers of Assam	22 nd & 23 rd September, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University
A drama festival with different paired states showcasing their culture on 14.09.2018	14 th September, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad





Performance and workshop based on drama	2 nd to 8 th September, 2018 in Koraput	Central University of Koraput
Several programmes in its schools such as story telling competition based on short stories of Bengali writers by Udaipur students, Button activity, Nutrition Day/ Green Grocery Day , Rakhi Decoration Day, Song, Skit, Speech, Dance, Traditional Puja, Kavi Sammelan, Poetry writing etc.	September 2018	Central Board of Secondary Education
Regional level student exchange programme	1 st Week of September, 2018	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
Specialised performances in theatre and screening of movies and films of partner State	September 2018	KLE School, Dharwad





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar October 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Chhattisgarh to participate in Navratri Mahotsav in Gujarat, showcasing cultural performance by Chhattisgarh artists	10 th - 18 th October, 2018 in Ahmedabad	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To understand the art and culture of Assam, 200 selected students and 8-10 Faculty Members of Government Colleges would visit Assam. Travel expenses to be borne by the concerned colleges. Similarly groups from Assam shall be hosted by State Universities/Department of Culture	October 2018 in paired States	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
Preliminary knowledge to be given to students about Assamese language	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families residing locally, nearby college shall invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan





Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
To share best practices in the field of agriculture, exchange of Farmers and collaboration through the ATMA scheme	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Assam Cultural Week to be organised at Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
On the occasion of National Integration Day (October 31) the oath of National Integration shall be taken in Assamese language along with Hindi in all colleges	October 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan
Different competitions in regard to sight seeing locations, etc., will be organised on National Unity Day in all Colleges	31 st October, 2018 in Rajasthan	Government of Rajasthan

Tripura – (Co-partner Mizoram - Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural programmes of Tripura in Sonapur Mela and Rajgir Mahotsav	October 2018 in Tripura	Government of Tripura

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Organizing photography competitions for the people of Chhattisgarh State	October 2018 at various locations in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
Blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat via social media	October 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat





Navratri Mahotsav - Road show with cultural performance, Theme Pavilion on destination of Chhattisgarh, Chhattisgarh Craft Stall, Chhattisgarh Food Stall	10 th -18 th October, 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Gujarat
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Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Identification and translation of at least 100 Proverbs of partner State	October 2018 in paired States	Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala
Teachers & Students Exchange Programmes, Essay, Quiz, Drama Competition	October 2018 in Kerala	Department of General & Higher Education, Government of Kerala
Sharing State-specific arts, handicrafts and handlooms	October 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala
Food Festival	October 2018 in Kerala House, New Delhi	Government of Kerala
Organising blog competitions, cycling and photography competitions for school students from Himachal Pradesh	October 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Wildlife trips to Nagarhole, Bandipur, BRT, Kavery, Bannerghatta - Students of Primary, Secondary and Higher Education from Uttarakhand	1 st Week of October, 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Tourism and Development of Public, Instruction, Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka





Providing top class training by coaches of higher calibre at the Regional Training Centre Bengaluru in Kabaddi, Hockey, Cricket - Sportsmen from Universities, Karnataka, Uttarakhand	October 2018 in Karnataka	Department of Youth and Sports, Government of Karnataka Sports Authority of India, Department of Sports, Government of India
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Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Maharashtra – Odisha dialogue to be held in both the States, preferably in winter, to explore historical & cultural themes and come up with a publication on them	October 2018 in Maharashtra	Government of Maharashtra

Sikkim – (Paired with Delhi)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To introduce the Festivals of Sikkim during Morning Assembly in schools in Delhi	October 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi

Manipur – (Co-partner Nagaland - Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
A team of Teachers from the schools/colleges of Manipur to visit Madhya Pradesh and a series of activities taken up with the Teachers of Madhya Pradesh	October 2018 in Manipur	Higher & Technical Education Departments, Government of Manipur





Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Showcasing Rajasthan in Assam and vice versa through Tourism Festivals	October 2018 in paired States	Department of Tourism, Government of Assam
College students shall visit places of educational interest in Rajasthan - Excursion by students of colleges	15 th -30 th October, 2018 in Assam	Directorate of Higher Education and Technical Education, Department of Assam
To be celebrated in all Educational Institutions with awareness programmes on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Programmes in general and about the paired State of Rajasthan in particular - Rashtriya Ekta Divas	31 st October, 2018 in Assam	Department of Education, Government of Assam

Bihar – (Paired with Tripura - Co-partner Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural event with partner States at Sri Pitripaksha Mela at decided venues	8 th October, 2018 in Bihar	Government of Bihar

Arunachal Pradesh (Co-partner Meghalaya – Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tawang Festival - Cultural Troupes of Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh and witness Tawang Festival	26 th - 29 th October, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Lok Kala Utsav - cultural troupes of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya to visit Uttar Pradesh	26 th - 29 th October, 2018 in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Ganga Mahotsav - Cultural Troupes of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya to visit Uttar Pradesh	26 th - 29 th October, 2018 in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh





Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Quiz and Essay Competitions - Inter-School Quiz and Essay competitions to increase the general knowledge and current affairs awareness of the students and also train them in writing skills	October 2018 in Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Department of Education Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Dance - Bal Bhavan of DD shall invite students of Bharatanatyam Dance School of Puducherry to exchange the knowledge & practical components of the traditional dances	October 2018 in Daman & Diu	Department of Tourism , Government of Daman & Diu

Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Nanda Devi Utsav – cultural troupes from Karnataka	October 2018 in Uttarakhand	Culture & Education Department, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Hasya Kavi Sammelan (Conference of Humorous Poets) – Invitation to Telangana	October 2018 in Hyderabad	Government of Haryana





Andaman & Nicobar Islands – (Paired with Lakshadweep)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Travel and Tourism Mart – Visit of tourism stakeholders from Andaman & Nicobar Islands to Lakshadweep to explore tourism related activity in both the UTs	5th to 9th October, 2018 in UTs	Department of Tourism, Andaman & Nicobar Islands Administration

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals through Students & Teachers Exchange Programme	October 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exposure of students to learn songs, local language and celebrate traditional festivities	October 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance through Students & Teachers Exchange Programme	October 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of training programmes for educational administrators and teachers -	October 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exchange programmes for students in Vocational Education, ICT and Exchange of Good Practices under Mid Day Meal Scheme	October 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Cultural programmes in hotels/restaurants and culinary festivals, dance festivals	October 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Books containing information on the culture of the State will be shared with partner State	October 2018 in Partner State	Department of Language Arts and Culture, Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Promoting Culture, music of partner State through various modes, including Aakashvani, FM Channel etc. and participating in the fairs and festivals of the partner State	October 2018 in Partner State	Department of Language Arts and Culture, Tourism Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
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Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To visit temples, preferably during festivals in the paired States. Government of Tamil Nadu will send invitation relating to important festivals	October 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Hindu Religious & Endowment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive/ Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	October 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
To give concessions for tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run hotels between paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels of Tamil Nadu	October 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Delhi – (Paired with Sikkim)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To introduce information on festivals of Sikkim during Morning Assembly in Schools	October 2018 in Delhi	Government of NCT of Delhi

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tour circuit (Connecting all outlying regions)	October 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry





Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lok Kala Utsav - Cultural Troops of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	October 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Ganga Mahotsav - Cultural Troops of Meghalaya & Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	October 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Tawang Festival - Cultural Troupes & Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh	October 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Lakshadweep – Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Essay Competition on paired States	October 2018 in Andaman Islands	Government of Lakshadweep

Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Teachers Exchange Programme, sharing the best practices in teaching methodology in Educational Institutions	October in 2018 in Andhra Pradesh and Punjab	Education Departments, Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Punjab

Telangana – (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Bathukamma Celebrations – Cultural team from Haryana will be invited to participate in the celebrations	October 2018 in Telangana	Department of Language & Culture, Government of Telangana





Meghalaya – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner , Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lok Kala Utsav – Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	October 2018 in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Ganga Mahotsav – Cultural Troupes of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh would visit Uttar Pradesh	October 2018 in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Tawang Festival – Cultural Troupes and students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh	October 2018 in Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya

Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Football Match - players from DNH would be invited for football matches	October 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Sports, Government of Chandigarh
A Joint Drawing workshop in black & white medium and Exhibition by artists from Chandigarh and the U.T. of Dadra and Nagar Haveli	October 2018 in Lalit Kala Akademi, Chandigarh	Government of Chandigarh
A team of 15 teachers and 80 students from DNH would be invited to visit Chandigarh for a 7-day visit. Folk song/dance competition of DNH would be conducted	Last Week of October, 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Education, Government of Chandigarh
Department would request the DNH authorities to send a team of 50 NSS Volunteers to Chandigarh to share various aspects of culture and heritage of their respective UTs in a youth exchange programme	October 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Higher Education, Government of Chandigarh

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres for Andhra Pradesh & Punjab - a gamut of cultural events have been planned and would be executed for the Mahotsav	October 2018.	Ministry of Culture





Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat will have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Manipur between the paired States of Manipur and Madhya Pradesh, in Meghalaya with the paired State of Uttar Pradesh, in Goa between the paired States of Goa & Jharkhand and in Delhi between the pair of Delhi & Sikkim	October 2018 in various States	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) & Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
All India Radio Station will broadcast jingles/short audio clips in respect of paired States/UTs. All India Radio Stations will also broadcast Programmes in Developmental Activities in Agriculture, Science and Technology and Medicine	October 2018 in all States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (All India Radio), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting
All Doordarshan Kendras in the capital cities will produce 60 seconds short films depicting the cultural similarities and variations in the 16 paired States/UTs 34 Doordarshan Kendras viz., Hyderabad, Itanagar, Guwahati, Patna, Panaji, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shimla, Srinagar, Jammu, Bengaluru, Thiruvananthapuram, Bhopal, Mumbai, Imphal, Shillong, Aizawl, Kohima, Bhubaneswar, Jaipur, Gangtok, Chennai, Agartala, Lucknow, Kolkata, Raipur, Dehradun, Ranchi, Vijayawada, Delhi, Port Blair, Puducherry, Jalandhar and Hissar will telecast for 15 minutes, programmes on various Festivals of India	10 th and 24 th October, 2018 in all States/UTs	Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan), Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States - IHM Food Festivals by IHMs at Kurukshetra, Haryana, and IHM Hyderabad, Telangana	October 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism





Food festivals by IHM Jaipur, Rajasthan and IHM Kolkata West Bengal	October 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism
Food Festivals at IHM Goa and IHM Hajipur, Bihar, for Jharkhand	October 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism
Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz for the paired States/UTs – Puducherry & Daman Daman & Diu and Haryana & Telangana	October 2018	Ministry of Tourism

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festival of a variety of Indian cuisines	October 2018 in Hyderabad	IIT, Hyderabad
EBSB Day with focus on Himachal Pradesh – Kerala, Goa – Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh – Arunachal Pradesh	6 th , 7 th & 13 th October, 2018, in Guwahati	IIT, Guwahati
Cultural Day in respect of Chandigarh & Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2 nd October, 2018 in Dhanbad	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
Showcasing ethnic dresses of paired States on Gandhi Jayanti and food festival, showcasing regional culinary diversity of paired States on World Food Day	2 nd & 16 th October, 2018 in Jodhpur	IIT, Jodhpur
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Days with focus on Chandigarh & Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Puducherry & Daman & Diu and Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands	7 th & 14 th October, 2018, respectively, in Kharagpur	IIT, Kharagpur
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Days on Gandhi Jayanti with focus on Gujarat and Chhattisgarh, and focus on Chandigarh-Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2 nd & 31 st October, 2018, respectively, in Bhubaneswar	IIT, Bhubaneswar
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Cultural Days with Dandiya Dance during Navratri, and with focus on Delhi & Sikkim	16 th & 31 st October, 2018, respectively, in Goa	IIT, Goa
NSS camp in Madhya Pradesh with focus on Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland	2 nd - 5 th October, 2018 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
Cultural Days with focus on Gujarat and Chhattisgarh, and West Bengal and Tripura	13 th & 14 th October, 2018, respectively, in Patna	IIT, Patna
EBSB Cultural Days/ food festival with focus on Puducherry and Daman & Diu, and with costumes of Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands	12 th & 19 th October, 2018, respectively, in Chennai	IIT, Madras





EBSB Cultural Days with lecture on culture of West Bengal and significance of Durga Puja, demonstration of Diwali celebration in Himachal Pradesh by the students of Kerala, performance of Himachali songs, presentation cum demonstration of Bathukamma by students of Haryana and also highlights/lectures on culture of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	17 th , 18 th & 19 th October, 2018, respectively, in Palkkad	IIT, Palakkad
EBSB Cultural Days with focus on Puducherry & Daman & Diu, and Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The programme will contain choreography & dance, music, art and crafts, food stalls, creative writing, poetry etc.	12 th & 19 th October, 2018, respectively, in Roorkee	IIT, Roorkee
EBSB Cultural Days with dance and music of Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya, dance & music of Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands	13 th & 20 th October, 2018, respectively, in Dharwad	IIT, Dharwad
Extensive case study on the modes adopted by villages in the North Eastern States of India, performances on the martial arts forms of Manipur and Nagaland in the Institute, and joint conference with the students of NIT Manipur & NIT Nagaland on exchange of information on the various events conducted through the year	2 nd , 26 th & 31 st October, 2018 in Indore	IIT, Indore
EBSB Cultural Days with dance/songs of Bihar, Tripura and Mizoram, dance/songs of Chandigarh and Dadra and Nagar Haveli	10 th & 24 th October, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
IIT Ropar to organize Dandiya for Gujarat & Jarnail Singh Play for Chattisgarh	14 th October, 2018 in Ropar	IIT, Ropar
Garba night	15 th -18 th October, 2018 in Gujarat	IIM, Ahmedabad
Durga Puja	15 th -19 th October, 2018 in Gujarat	
Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States	October 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore
Tourism Expo with focus on Delhi - Sikkim and Literary Festival with focus on Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	14 th October, 2018 in Trichy	IIM, Trichy





<p>Programme on identification of proverbs having similar meaning in the languages of the two States and their translations and dissemination for interchangeable use; cultural exchange programmes between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competition; exchange programmes for writers and poets etc in the form of literary festival; exposure of students of one State to alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the languages of the partnering State; encouraging the administration of pledges in the two languages of the pairing States; organizing film festivals in the State with sub-titles of the partnering State and organizing photography competition for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering State</p>	<p>October 2018 in Kozhikode</p>	<p>IIM, Kozhikode</p>
<p>Photography competition for the people of one State creating the portfolios on sites, places and objects of the partnering States</p>	<p>October 2018 in Kolkata</p>	<p>IIM, Calcutta</p>
<p>Film festival on Bihar, Tripura and Mizoram</p>	<p>21st October, 2018 in Visakhapatnam</p>	<p>IIM, Visakhapatnam</p>
<p>EBSB Cultural Days with home stay culture promotion of Odisha</p>	<p>4th October, 2018 in Sambalpur</p>	<p>IIM, Sambalpur</p>
<p>Programme on cultural exchanges between NIT, Agartala, and NIT, Patna, in the events of vocal musical exchange, dances & other performing arts and other exchanges involving display of visual arts and associated sciences. Competitions and display of performing & presiding arts and interaction with students and faculty for exchange of creative ideas</p>	<p>October 2018 in Agartala</p>	<p>NIT, Agartala</p>
<p>Celebration of Bathukamma festival in NIT, Kurukshetra</p>	<p>16th October, 2018 in Kurukshetra</p>	<p>NIT, Kurukshetra</p>
<p>Mando & Vira folk dance performances of Daman & Diu and a Seminar on Unity in Diversity – National Integrity</p>	<p>11th & 12th October, 2018, respectively, in Puducherry</p>	<p>NIT, Puducherry</p>
<p>Rajasthani Ghoomar evening</p>	<p>19th October, 2018 in Silchar</p>	<p>NIT Silchar, Assam</p>
<p>Workshop on Unity in Diversity (Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya) with deliberations on experiences, lessons learnt, path forward with possible solutions, and celebration of National Unity Day</p>	<p>2nd & 31st October, 2018, respectively, in Allahabad</p>	<p>NIT, Allahabad</p>
<p>Stage presentations by the students with the traditional colourful dresses and jewellery of Himachal Pradesh, highlighting of Kullu Dussehra, Shivratri Fair (Mandi), Shoolini Mela (Solan), Minjar Fair (Chamba), Mani Mahesh Chhari Yatra (Chamba) Renuka Fair (Sirmaur), Vrajeshwar Fair (Kangra) Cattle Fair, Chhat Festival and Navratri festivals</p>	<p>October 2018 in Calicut</p>	<p>NIT, Calicut</p>





15 Kerala students from NIT Calicut to be invited	2 nd October - 8 th October, 2018 in Hamirpur	NIT, Hamirpur
Dandiya event and Garbha event	October 2018 in Raipur	NIT, Raipur
Drama of partnering State Jammu & Kashmir	13 th October - 14 th October, 2018 in Tiruchirappalli	NIT, Tiruchirappalli
EBSB Cultural Day with administration of quotes/pledges in the language of Delhi & Sikkim	10 th October, 2018 in Delhi	NIT, Delhi
Educational tour by the Institute students reciprocally to the partnering States to bring out salient features of the States, dramas/dance of other State in the Educational Institutions of the partnering States and photography competitions for the people of one State creating their portfolio on sites, places and objects in the partnering States	13 th - 21 st , 16 th and 27 th October, 2018 in Uttarakhand	NIT, Uttarakhand
Quiz competition on various topics such as language, culture, food, cuisine festivals etc. related to Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya, screening regional short films/ documentary showcasing elements of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat emanating from Arunachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya; celebrations on National Unity Day with special emphasis on Arunachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya	10 th , 26 th and 31 st October, 2018 in Meghalaya	NIT, Meghalaya
Blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and exchange of information on traditional agriculture	October 2018 in Srinagar	NIT, Srinagar
Swachh Bharat Abhiyan on birthday of Mahatma Gandhi and screening of documentary film related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya ; birthday of A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and tourist spots related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya; Addovedi 2018 - Annual Technical Festival with focus on folk dance & dramas of Uttar Pradesh & Meghalaya; National Unity Day with regional short films related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel birth anniversary with workshop on Unity in Diversity related to Uttar Pradesh and Meghalaya	2 nd , 15 th , 26 th to 28 th and 31 st October, 2018, respectively, in Arunachal Pradesh	NIT, Arunachal Pradesh
Tour by group of people to Keibul Lamjao National Park	12 th October, 2018 in Manipur	NIT, Manipur
Manipur craft fare exhibition and Madhya Pradesh craft fare exhibition	16 th & 17 th October, 2018, respectively, in Nagaland	NIT, Nagaland
EBSB Cultural Day with Gotipura	20 th October, 2018 in Rourkela	NIT, Rourkela
EBSB Cultural Day with folk dances of Goa	28 th October, 2018 in Goa	NIT, Goa
Video making competition on Odisha State, culture, traditions, food, tourism etc and concluding ceremony of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Abhiyan	2 nd & 12 th October, 2018, respectively, in Nagpur	IIIT, Nagpur





Celebration of Bathukamma festival in NIT, Kurukshetra	16 th October, 2018 in Kurukshetra	IIIT Sonapat, Haryana
Visit of NIT Agartala students to IIIT Bhagalpur, during which there will be telecasting of regional films with subtitles, sports activities, organizing blog competition on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat etc.	18 th -21 st October, 2018 in Bhagalpur	IIIT Bhagalpur, Bihar
Quiz competition on cultural landscape of Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland and Manipur	2 nd October, 2018 in Gwalior	Atal Bihar Vajpayee Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Gwalior
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on Punjab & Andhra Pradesh	9 th October, 2018 in Kolkata	IISER, Kolkata
EBSB Cultural Day with various activities such as Quiz, food festival, dance recital (folk and classical) Telugu poetry and music, poster making, essay writing, drama etc.	23 rd October, 2018 in Mohali	IISER, Mohali
Training on handicraft making, Garba and Bhavai dance and visit to the historical sites of Gujarat	10 th - 20 th October, 2018 in Gujarat	Central University of Gujarat
Quiz competition on EBSB	12 th & 25 th October, 2018 in Kerala	Central University of Kerala
Programme on exposure of students of one State to the alphabets, songs, proverbs and 100 sentences in the language of the partnering State	9 th -19 th October, 2018, respectively, in Lucknow	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
Representatives from Mizoram University - local cuisines of Tripura	October 2018 in Bihar	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, Bihar
Swachhta Hi Sewa Hai celebration at heritage site	2 nd October, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Celebrate Bathukamma Festival of Telangana	15 th October, 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Sufi Saint Poetry Mahotsav acknowledging the role of Saints, Tradition and Sufism	4 th October, 2018 in Bihar	Central University of South Bihar
Visit of Jammu & Kashmir faculty to the Institute for one week	October 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Photography – Sikkim through lens, poster making competition and quiz pertaining to Sikkim	10 th , 11 th and 26 th October, 2018 in Delhi	University of Delhi
Primitive sports specific to different regions/States and conducting sports competitions; film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles, reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture; broadcasting programme on Indian culture and heritage on campus radio	October 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Essay competition in the language of the partnering States	1 st -5 th October, 2018 in Mizoram	Mizoram University
Essay Competition in Hindi	5 th October, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University





Book of Indian proverbs with English translation	5 th October, 2018 in Hyderabad	The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
Debate on campaign of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and showcasing programmes on traditional attire of the paired States at the University of Allahabad	1 st -15 th and 16 th -30 th October, Allahabad	University of Allahabad, Allahabad
National-level student exchange programmes	Last Week of October 2018 in all KVS schools	Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
Several programmes in its schools such as painting competition and skit on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, Durga Puja celebration, food festival of Uttarakhand in Karnataka, Himachal Festival and Himachal dance by Kerala students, Poster making, calendar page designing, Spellathon, photo frame making, street play etc.	October 2018 in all CBSE schools	Central Board of Secondary Education
Several programmes in its schools such as cultural exchange programmes like Biraha or Kajari from UP to other cultural items of other States, art & painting competitions on the presentation of cultural items & cultural icons of different cultures, presentation of host culture before the migrated students and the migrated culture before the host students; translation of important cultural words, works, places and their significance in the host and migrated language; developing cultural corner in the school for the other culture, highlighting the importance, developing a separate web- page for regularly updating & making available to the migration linked school online for exchange of information; popularising clothes, tunics and other wears of different cultures; permitting the migrated students to wear cultural clothes of their place on certain occasions, exchanging the cultural dresses etc.	October 2018 in NVS schools located all over the country	Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar November 2018

States/Union Territories

Chhattisgarh – (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
State of Chhattisgarh will participate in the Beach Festival in Tithal and Mandvi in Gujarat, showcasing cultural performance by Chhattisgarh artists	November 2018 in Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh

Rajasthan – (Paired with Assam)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
200 selected students and 8-10 Faculty Members of Government Colleges shall visit Assam to understand Assam art and culture. Travel expenses would be borne by the concerned colleges. Similarly groups from Assam would be hosted by State Universities	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
Special Lecture Sessions to be organized about Assam under Yuva Vikas Kendra running in Government colleges	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
For Assamese families are residing locally, nearby college would invite them and organize interaction programmes about general traditions, culture and language	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
Students exchange programmes to study the history, art and culture of both the States	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
An exhibition to be organised to display the art and culture of Assam.	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan





To teach 25 popular sentences/ proverbs and two popular songs to school and college students	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
Farmers exchange to share best practices in agriculture and collaboration to be initiated through ATMA scheme	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
Assam Cultural Week to be organised at Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	November 2018 in Jaipur	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan
On the occasion of National Integration Day (October 31) the oath of National Integration shall be taken in Assamese language along with Hindi in all colleges	November 2018 in Rajasthan	Department of Culture, Government of Rajasthan

Tripura – (Co-Partner Mizoram - Paired with Bihar)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural programmes of Tripura in Sonepur Mela and Rajgir Mahotsav	November 2018 in Tripura	Government of Tripura

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattishgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festival –Providing an opportunity to learn culinary practices of Gujarat and Chhattisgarh	November 2018 in Surat/ Ahmedabad	Government of Gujarat
Road Show — Promotion of Rajya Darshan Programmes	November 2018 in Ahmedabad/Rajkot/Surat/ Bhavnagar/Junagadh , Gujarat	Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Culinary Festivals	November 2018 in Kerala	Department of Cultural Affairs, Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala
Sharing State specific Arts and Handicrafts/Handlooms	November 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala
Teacher-Student exchange programmes by way of essay, quiz and drama competitions	November 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala





Organising sports festivals, cycling competitions, blog & photography competitions with the students of the partner State	November 2018 in Kerala	Government of Kerala
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Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Goa Folk Dance group on Jharkhand Foundation Day	15 th November, 2018 in Jharkhand	Directorate of Art & Culture, Government of Goa
Fashion Show in Goa to encourage frequent wearing of attire of Jharkhand	1 st and 2 nd Week of November, 2018 in Jharkhand	Directorate of Art & Culture, Department of Tourism, Art, Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs, Government of Jharkhand

Karnataka – (Paired with Uttarakhand)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Students from Uttarakhand will visit Hampi Utsav	November 2018 in Karnataka	Commissionerate for Public Instruction and Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Maharashtra-Odisha dialogue to be held in both the States, preferably in winter, to explore historical & cultural themes and come up with a publication on them	November 2018 in Paired States	Government of Maharashtra





Manipur – (Co-partner Nagaland - Paired with Madhya Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit to Madhya Pradesh by the MLAs of Manipur for an interactive session and discussion on various subjects	November 2018 in Manipur	Government of Manipur

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit by a team of Teachers/Students from colleges and schools	1 st week of November 2018 in Manipur	Government of Madhya Pradesh
Cultural Exchange Programmes - Cultural Troupes from Madhya Pradesh will go to Manipur to showcase the traditional dance and other art forms in Sangai festival	21 st to 30 th November 2018 in Manipur	Culture Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Artisans from Handloom will exhibit in Sangai festival - Madhya Pradesh Hastshilp Vikas Nigam	21 st - 30 th November 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Handloom and Handicraft Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh
FAM Tour- Visit of TA/TO of Madhya Pradesh to Manipur	21 st -30 th November 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Tourism Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
A team of Teacher/Students from colleges and schools will visit Nagaland	1 st week of November 2018 in Madhya Pradesh	Higher Education & School Education , Government of Madhya Pradesh

Assam – (Paired with Rajasthan)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural programmes& competitions with Rajasthan as the Theme - Celebration of Children's Day programme	14 th November 2018 in Assam	Elementary Education Department, Government of Assam





Bihar – (Paired with Tripura & Mizoram)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural exchange programmes - Chhath and Sonepur Mela	13 th - 20 th November, 2018 in Bihar	Department of Art and Culture, Government of Bihar

Arunachal Pradesh - (Co-partner Meghalaya – Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Basar Confluence - Cultural Troupes & Students from U.P. & Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh - Cultural exchanges through participation in traditional dances and local practices of Galo tribe of Arunachal Pradesh – Basar - Lower Siang District- Arunachal Pradesh	4 th to 6 th November, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Mechuka Adventure Festival - Students of U.P. & Meghalaya would visit Arunachal Pradesh to participate and experience adventure activities during the three-day event – Mechuka, West Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh	24 th - 26 th November, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Lucknow Mahotsava - Cultural Troupes & Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh	25 th November -5 th December, 2018 in Lucknow	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Dadra & Nagar Haveli – (Paired with Chandigarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To build up the bond of unity and the spirit of sportsmanship, youth of Chandigarh shall be invited to participate in various Marathon / Cycle Race/ Nature Trails and Trekking in the UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli	November 2018 in Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Tourism Department, Government of Dadra & Nagar Haveli

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Heritage Festival	November 2018 in Daman & Diu	Tourism and Cultural Affairs Department, Government of Daman & Diu





Uttarakhand – (Paired with Karnataka)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Goucher Mela Visit (Cultural Exchange) – Cultural troupes from Karnataka	November 2018 in Uttarakhand	Cultural & Education Departments, Government of Uttarakhand
Joljivi Mela – Cultural troupes from Karnataka	November 2018 in Uttarakhand	Cultural & Education Departments, Government of Uttarakhand

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Performance of Telangana artists on Haryana Day	November 2018 in Haryana	Government of Haryana

Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals for students	November 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exposure of students to learn songs , opportunity to learn the local language, celebrate traditional festivities through Students & Teachers Exchange Programme	November 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance	November 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of training programmes for educational administrators and teachers	November 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exchange programmes for students in Vocational Education, ICT and Exchange of Good Practices under Mid Day Meal Scheme	November 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organising Essay Competitions and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes - Students Exchange Programme & Teachers Exchange Programme	November 2018 in Himachal Pradesh	Education Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh





Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Translation of 4 Award Winning Books of One State in the language of Partner State - Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai, and Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, will translate 2 Award Winning Books of Jammu & Kashmir State each into Tamil	November 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Government of Tamil Nadu
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive/ Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	November 2018 in Jammu and Kashmir	Government of Tamil Nadu
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels of Tamil Nadu	November 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Department of Tourism, Government of Tamil Nadu
To visit Temples during Festivals in the Paired States, Government will send invitation relating to important festivals to the Government of Jammu & Kashmir to visit Tamil Nadu	November 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Hindu Religious and Endowment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Exploring rural tourist destinations	November 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Basar Confluence (Cultural Troupes & Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh)	November 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Adventure Sports at Mechukha (Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh)	November 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh





Autumn Festival in Shillong - Cultural Exchange through Drama/Theatre - Cultural Troupes & Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Meghalaya. Art Competitions to be also held	November 2018 in Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Reciprocal educational tours would be organised between Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra, Lucknow University, and North Eastern Hill University Shillong, Meghalaya & Rajiv Gandhi University Ronohill, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, in which students of one State would visit partner State	November 2018 in paired States	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Lucknow Mahotsava - Cultural Troupes & Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh	25 th November - 5 th December, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Contingent of Sportsperson of U.P. would participate in "Cherapunji Marathon"	November 2018 in Meghalaya	Government of Uttar Pradesh

Telangana - (Paired with Haryana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Art Mela would be held in Telangana with invitation to artisans from Haryana – Director, SGA	November 2018 in Telangana	Government of Telangana

Andhra Pradesh – (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Youth Exchange programme where youth of Punjab would visit Andhra Pradesh	November 2018 in Andhra Pradesh	Department of Youth Services, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Lakshadweep – (Paired with A&N Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Culinary team to Andamans to learn culinary practices of A&N Islands	November 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep





Meghalaya – (Paired Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner – Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Basar Confluence - Cultural troupes and students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh	November 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Adventure Sports at Menchukha – Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Arunachal Pradesh	November 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Autumn festival in Shillong – Cultural Troupes and Students of Uttar Pradesh would visit Meghalaya	November 2018 in Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya
Reciprocal educational tours between Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra, Lucknow University, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong, and Rajiv Gandhi University, Ronohill, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh, in which students of one State would visit the partner State	November 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Lucknow Mahotsava – Cultural Troupes and Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh.	25 th November to 5 th December, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Contingent of Sportspersons of Uttar Pradesh would participate in Cherrapunji Marathon	November 2018 in Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya

Chandigarh – (paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
10 th Chandigarh National Crafts Mela - Cultural Affairs Department in collaboration with North Zone Cultural Centre would organise National Crafts Mela on annual basis. Artists, painters, weavers, sculptors and craftsmen specializing in any form of art can participate to exhibit their talent before a large audience. Artisans of DNH are famous for their wonderful weaving and carving works. The Department would invite such Artists to showcase their art works in the Crafts Mela	November 2018 in Chandigarh	Cultural Affairs Department, Government of Chandigarh
Chandigarh Carnival - Tourism Department would invite the Artists from DNH to participate in the Chandigarh Carnival – 2018. The Department would arrange the visit of the participants to popular places of the city like Rock Garden, Capitol Complex, Sukhna Lake Le-Corbusier Centre, Museum etc. to showcase its rich heritage, Architecture, Art and Culture	November 2018 in Chandigarh	Department of Tourism, Government of Chandigarh





<p>Volleyball/Basket Ball Match/Badminton Match - Two Teams of Volleyball and two teams of Basket Ball (under 17 and 19 - both boys and Girls) in both the categories from Chandigarh would visit DNH in the month of November/December, 2018. A Badminton match would also be held in Chandigarh. 10 Players from each UT consisting of boys and girls (under 19) would participate in the Tournament</p>	<p>November 2018 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Chandigarh</p>	<p>Department of Sports, Government of Chandigarh</p>
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Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres for Bihar, Tripura and Mizoram - A gamut of cultural events have been planned and being executed for the Mahotsav</p>	<p>November 2018</p>	<p>Ministry of Culture</p>

Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
<p>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat will have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Tripura between the paired States of Tripura & Bihar, in Dadra & Nagar Haveli between the paired UTs of Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Chandigarh, in Daman and Diu between the paired States UTs of Daman and Diu & Puducherry, in Madhya Pradesh between the paired States of Madhya Pradesh, Manipur & Nagaland and in Uttar Pradesh between the paired States of Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya</p>	<p>November 2018 in States/ UTs among the paired States/UTs</p>	<p>Department of Youth Affairs</p>
<p>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Chhattisgarh & Gujarat</p>	<p>12th -19th November, 2018 in Gujarat</p>	<p>Department of Youth Affairs</p>
<p>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat NSS activities – Andhra Pradesh & Punjab</p>	<p>20th to 26th November, 2018 in Andhra University, Visakhapatnam</p>	<p>Department of Youth Affairs</p>





Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Food Festivals by IHMs at strategic locations in the paired States - IHM Hajipur, Bihar, IHM Shillong for Tripura and IHM Guwahati for Mizoram. Festivals would also be held at IHM Kochi for Lakshadweep and IHM Kolkata for Andaman & Nicobar Islands	November 2018 in IHMs	Ministry of Tourism
Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz in the paired States/UTs - Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Goa & Jharkhand	November 2018 in Lakshadweep & Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Goa & Jharkhand	Ministry of Tourism

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
EBSB Cultural Day	14 th November, 2018 in Puducherry and Daman & Diu	IIT, Bhubaneswar
Cultural Day	3 rd November, 2018 in Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on Uttarakhand and Karnataka	7 th November, 2018 in Goa	IIT, Goa
Language learning classes with focus on Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	10 th -11 th November, 2018 in Bhilai	IIT, Bhilai
EBSB Cultural Day with focus on Chandigarh and Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2 nd November, 2018 in Patna	IIT, Patna
Food festival involving Rajasthani daal bsati and/or famous street foods of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar	13 th November, 2018 in Palakkad	IIT, Palakkad
EBSB Cultural Days with dance/song of Puducherry & Daman & Diu and dance/song of Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands	14 th and 28 th November, 2018, respectively, in Delhi	IIT, Delhi
Bhojpuri Songs for Bihar, Darbu for Mizoram, Jhumar for Jharkhand and Music & Football for Goa	13 th November, 2018 in Ropar	IIT, Ropar
EBSB Cultural Day - cultural exchange programme with focus on Chandigarh and Dadra & Nagar Haveli	11 th November, 2018 in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam





Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States and cultural exchange programme between partnering States with the help of troupes identified in the home State through cultural competitions	November 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore
Compiled report activity under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat	15 th November, 2018 in Jaipur	NIT, Jaipur
Photography competition highlighting culture and heritage	13 th November, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Essay competition in the languages of the paired States	November 2018 in Haryana	Central University of Haryana
Cultural and educational tours involving NSS Units and film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian heritage & culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	November 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
One day symposium	16 th November, 2018 in Delhi	University of Delhi
Administering of pledges in Rajasthani languages	10 th November, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University
Chhattisgarh Celebrations with a talk on Chhattisgarh art and culture	1 st November, 2018 in Gujarat	Central University of Gujarat
Seminar on National Integration	November, 2018 in Shillong	North –Eastern Hill University, Shillong
Lecture and Exhibition on Food Culture at University of Allahabad and Visit to Vindham Waterfall in Mirzapur, UP	1 st – 15 th and 16 th – 30 th November, 2018, respectively, in UP	University of Allahabad
Several programmes in its schools such as role play in Tamil and Hindi in Puducherry schools, Skit in Hindi in Puducherry schools, Rajasthani folk dance, Haryanvi dance, folk songs, Nukkad Natak, an exhibition-“Glimpse of Gujarat” by Chhattisgarhi students, programme on Himachal Tourism by Kerala students etc.”	November 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country	Central Board of Secondary Education
Several programmes in its schools such as cultural exchange programmes like Biraha or Kajari from UP to other cultural items of other States; art and painting competitions on the presentation of cultural items and cultural icons of different cultures; translation of the important cultural words, works, places and their significance in the host and migrated language; developing cultural corner in the school for the other culture , highlighting its importance; popularising clothes, tunics and other wears of different culture, permitting the migrated students to wear cultural clothes of their place on certain occasions and also exchanging cultural dresses etc.	November 2018 in NVS schools located all over the country	Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti





Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Activity Calendar December 2018

States / Union Territories

Chhattisgarh - (Paired with Gujarat)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Chhattisgarh participation in Rann Utsav, Gujarat, showcasing cultural performance	December 2018 in Dhordo, Kutch, Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh
Chhattisgarh participation in FAM Trip in Dhordo Kutch, in coordination with Chhattisgarh Tour Operators	December 2018 in Dhordo, Kutch, Gujarat	Government of Chhattisgarh

Gujarat – (Paired with Chhattisgarh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Rann Utsav – Dhordo, Kutch – Cultural Performance and Study Tour	December 2018 in Dhordo, Kutch	Government of Gujarat
FAM Trip – Dhordo, Kutch – for Chhattisgarh tour operators and hoteliers	December 2018 in Dhordo, Kutch	Government of Gujarat

Kerala – (Paired with Himachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Teachers & Students Exchange Programmes, Essay, Quiz, Drama Competition	December 2018 in paired States	Department of General & Higher Education, Government of Kerala





Sports Festivals, Blog Competitions, Photography, Cycling Competitions with the students of partner State	December 2018 in paired States	Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, Government of Kerala
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Jharkhand – (Paired with Goa)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Essay competitions in the schools of Jharkhand on Goa History, Culture, Craft, Literature, Tourism, Sports, Agriculture, Commerce, etc in Konkani language	1 st Week of December, 2018 in Jharkhand	Human Resources Department, Government of Jharkhand

Maharashtra – (Paired with Odisha)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Jhanji /Dhol Pathak, Gaj Nrutya, Gop Nrutya, Dhangari Nrutya etc of Maharashtra to be performed in Rahagiri Festival	December 2018 in Odisha	Government of Maharashtra

Madhya Pradesh – (Paired with Nagaland- Co-partner Manipur)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Troupes from Madhya Pradesh will go to Nagaland to showcase the traditional dance and other art forms in Hornbill festival	December 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Culture, Government of Madhya Pradesh
Artisans from Handloom & Handicraft Department will exhibit in Hornbill festival	December 2018 in Nagaland	Madhya Pradesh Hastshilp Vikas Nigam, Government of Madhya Pradesh
FAM Tour- Visit of TA/TO of Madhya Pradesh to Nagaland	December 2018 in Nagaland	Department of Tourism, Government of Madhya Pradesh





Arunachal Pradesh - (Co-partner Meghalaya – Paired with Uttar Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Orange Festival- Dambuk - Students and Cultural troupes of U.P. and Meghalaya	15 th - 18 th December, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Organising NSS/NCC Camp of students at the location in the partner State in which 100 students each would participate	15 th - 18 th December, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Essay Writing competition in Hindi for students	15 th -18 th December, 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya	Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Daman & Diu – (Paired with Puducherry)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Tourism Festival - to engage the youth and local communities of the UT of Puducherry in various inter-UT competitions and involving them in the celebrations of Festa De Diu	December 2018 in the paired UTs	Department of Tourism, Government of Daman & Diu
Poetic Symposium - A Kavi Sammelan wherein renowned poets from Puducherry & DD to showcase their talent	December 2018 in Daman and Diu	Department of Tourism, Government of Daman & Diu

Haryana – (Paired with Telangana)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Participation of Telangana artists at Geeta Jayanti Mahotsav and Modern Theatre Festival	December 2018, respectively, in Haryana Districts and Chandigarh, Panchkula and Kurukshetra	Government of Haryana





Himachal Pradesh – (Paired with Kerala)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Dance Festivals for students	December 2018 in paired States	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Presentation of Naati/Himachali Folk Dance in exchange programme	December 2018 in paired	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organisation of training programmes for educational administrators and teachers	December 2018 in paired States	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Exchange programmes for students in Vocational Education, ICT and Exchange of Good Practices under Mid Day Meal Scheme	December 2018 in paired States	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh
Organising Essay Competitions and Quiz Competitions on EBSB themes	December 2018 in paired States	Department of Education, Government of Himachal Pradesh

Tamil Nadu – (Paired with Jammu & Kashmir)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
To create special tour packages for each other's tourists of different age groups and religious tour packages between the Tourism Corporations for incentivizing both the States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide 15% Incentive /Concession to groups for visiting Jammu & Kashmir	December 2018 in Jammu and Kashmir	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
To give concessions for Tourists of paired States for accommodation in the State-run Hotels between Paired States, Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation will provide up to 30% concession to Tourists from Jammu & Kashmir for stay in Hotels in Tamil Nadu	December 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Tourism Department, Government of Tamil Nadu





Puducherry – (Paired with Daman & Diu)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Bharathiar festival	December 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry
Events on folk and Traditional dance forms	December 2018 in Puducherry	Department of Tourism, Government of Puducherry

Odisha – (Paired with Maharashtra)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of tribal groups from one State to another	December 2018 in Odisha & Maharashtra	SC/ST Department, Government of Odisha

Uttar Pradesh – (Paired with Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lucknow Mahotsava Cultural Troupes & Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh & Meghalaya would visit Uttar Pradesh	25 th November to 5 th December, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Organising NSS/ NCC Camps of Students of one State at the locations in the Partner State in which 100 students each would participate	December 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Uttar Pradesh
Essay Writing Competition in Hindi for students of Meghalaya and meritorious students to be felicitated	December 2018 in the paired States	Government of Uttar Pradesh





Andhra Pradesh - (Paired with Punjab)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
5-day Integration Camp for Punjab and Andhra Pradesh Youth at Amaravathi	December 2018 in Amaravathi	Youth Services & Sports Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh would also carry out two year long programmes :-

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Identify cases of marriages between Punjab & Andhra Pradesh individuals and sharing of their experiences on Radio/TV and Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat blog	Year long Activity based on identification of couples	Government of Andhra Pradesh
National / State specific competitions in various languages in Radio, TV and Blog Competitions on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Website	Year long effort	Government of Andhra Pradesh

Lakshadweep – (Paired with Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Visit of Culinary team to Andaman to learn Culinary practices of Andaman & Nicobar Islands	December 2018 in Andamans	Government of Lakshadweep

Meghalaya – (Paired with Uttar Pradesh – Co-partner – Arunachal Pradesh)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Lucknow Mahotsava – Cultural Troupes and Artisans of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya	25 th November - 5 th December, 2018 in Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
Contingent of Sportspersons of Uttar Pradesh would participate in Cherrapunji Marathon	December 2018 in Cherrapunji, Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya





Essay Writing Competition in Hindi for the students of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh	December 2018 in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and Uttar Pradesh	Government of Meghalaya
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Chandigarh – (Paired with Dadra & Nagar Haveli)

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Volleyball/Basket Ball Match/Badminton Match - Two Teams of Volleyball and two teams of Basket Ball (under 17 and 19 - both boys and Girls) in both the categories from Chandigarh would visit DNH in the month of November/December, 2018. A Badminton match would also be held in Chandigarh. 10 Players from each UT consisting of boys and girls (under 19) would participate in the Tournament	November 2018 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Chandigarh	Department of Sports, Government of Chandigarh
Interaction tour programme consisting one team of 20 teachers and 80 students from Chandigarh would be organised. The students would visit DNH for 7 days to interact with students and teachers of Dadra & Nagar Haveli during NSS camps	24 th to 31 st December, 2018 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Department of Education, Chandigarh Administration

Central Ministries/Departments

Ministry of Culture

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mahotsav with support from Zonal Cultural Centres for Puducherry–Daman & Diu in December 2018 - A gamut of cultural events have been planned and would be executed for the Mahotsav	December 2018	Ministry of Culture





Department of Youth Affairs

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat will have Inter-State Youth Exchange Programmes in Bihar between the paired States of Bihar and Tripura & Mizoram, in Chandigarh between the paired UTs of Chandigarh and Dadra & Nagar Haveli and in Puducherry between the paired UTs of Puducherry and Daman and Diu	December 2018	Department of Youth Affairs

Ministry of Tourism

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Accommodation will be provided for the prize winners of MyGov.in Quiz in the paired States/UTs of Bihar, Tripura & Mizoram and Rajasthan & Assam	December 2018	Ministry of Tourism

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Description of Activity	Month/Week/ Date of Event with Location	Department Organising
Cultural Day on Puducherry and Daman & Diu	8 th December, 2018 in Dhanbad	IIT (ISM), Dhanbad
EBSB cultural days with literary meet on Puducherry, Daman & Diu and song exchange programme between Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar	2 nd and 16 th December, 2018, respectively, in Visakhapatnam	IIM, Visakhapatnam
Optional classes in schools/colleges for learning the language of the partnering States	December 2018 in Bengaluru	IIM, Bangalore
Cultural performance by a group of students of Sikkim University on music, dance, skits, exhibition, and cuisine/ food stalls of Sikkim	December 2018 in New Delhi	Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi





National Movie Festival	4 th -5 th December, 2018 in Jammu	Central University of Jammu
Signing MoU for future collaborative activities with Jammu & Kashmir	December 2018 in Tamil Nadu	Central University of Tamil Nadu
Cultural and educational tours involving NSS Units, film shows and documentaries with English sub-titles reflecting multiplicity of Indian Heritage and Culture and broadcasting programme on Indian Culture and heritage on campus radio	December 2018 in Hyderabad	University of Hyderabad
Programme on Chhattisgarhi art training, adventure tour and industrial interaction	17 th -21 st December, 2018 in Chhattisgarh	Guru Ghasidas Viswavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
Educational tour of its students to Rajasthan	18 th -26 th December, 2018 in Tezpur	Tezpur University, Assam
Several programmes in its schools such as dance and music of Odisha in Maharashtra, Vocal performances and speech in Hindi and Tamil in Puducherry, Bhagwat Geeta and Samskruta Sudha celebrations in Tamil Nadu, Lavani and Koli dance at Bhubaneswar, Ghoomar dance of Haryana by Telangana and West Bengal students etc.	December 2018 in CBSE schools all over the country	Central Board of Secondary Education
Several programmes in its schools such as cultural exchange programmes like Biraha or Kajari from UP to cultural items of other States; art and painting competitions on the presentation of cultural items and cultural icons of different cultures; presentation of host culture before the migrated students and the migrated culture before the host students; translation of the important cultural words, works, places and their significance in the host and migrated language; developing cultural corner in the schools for the other culture , highlighting the importance, developing a separate web - page for regularly updating and making available online to the migration linked school for exchange of information; popularising clothes, tunics and other wears of different culturs; permitting the migrated students to wear cultural clothes of their place on certain occasions and also exchanging the traditional dresses etc.	December 2018 in NVS schools located all over the country	Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti



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