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It gives me great pleasure to inform you that in the continuing spirit of commemorating Mahakavi Subramania Bharati's birth anniversary each year, DoSEL is pleased to announce the celebration of 'Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025' on 11th December 2025. The theme for this year, "Many Languages, One Emotion," embodies the spirit of unity and shared cultural identity that threads together India's vast and varied linguistic heritage. This celebration is a tribute to Mahakavi Bharati's enduring legacy and seeks to promote and honour the linguistic diversity that enriches the nation's cultural fabric.

- 2. Language is the cornerstone of cultural identity and a vital medium through which our collective heritage is expressed. The National Education Policy 2020 also recognises the importance of our languages and conserving each through adoption of multilingual pedagogical practices. Based on the theme of this year's Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav, a series of cultural programmes, competitions, and educational activities may be organised from 4th to 11th December 2025 across the State/UT. The essence of these activities may be to:
  - Foster deeper appreciation of Indian languages and literature among school students.
  - Encourage the spirit of Ek Bharat Shresth Bharat by promoting the learning of one more Bharatiya Bhasha
  - Strengthen national integration through cultural empathy and linguistic inclusivity.
  - Contribute to the long-term vision of developing India as a truly multilingual, knowledge driven society.
- 3. The Concept note and list of suggestive activities, as enclosed at **Annexure I** for your reference, outline a comprehensive set of activities to be undertaken at the school and cluster levels. However, the States/UTs may customise these activities as relevant to them. Additionally, to encourage a sense of unity amongst all learners, day wise themes may also be identified for the week as per the following:
  - Day 1: 04 December 2025, Thursday: "Language Tree Display and Language Heritage Wall"
  - Day 2: 05 December 2025, Friday: "Poetry Across Languages and Music Through Languages"

- Day 3: 06 December 2025, Saturday: "Festivals of Many Tongues and Voice of Language Podcast"
- Day 4: 08 December 2025, Monday: "Unity in proverbs and Bhasha Mitra Collaboration"
- Day 5: 09 December 2025, Tuesday: "Bhasha Bandhu Letters and Story Chain in Multiple Languages"
- Day 6: 10 December 2025, Wednesday: "Language Exploration Clubs"
- Day 7: 11 December 2025, Thursday: "Interactive Language Fair (Bhasha Mela) and Language Theatre Showcase"
- 4. At the cluster level, the following activities are recommended:
  - Bhasha Utsav Yatra: Community walk with messages of unity in different languages.
  - Language Immersion Camp: Interaction with speakers of various languages.
  - Bhasha Kala Mahotsav: Cultural fair highlighting local languages and traditions.
  - Bharatiya Bhasha Mahotsav: State-level event with exhibitions and performances.
  - Awareness Drive (Bhasha Samvardhan Abhiyan): Campaigns to promote multilingualism.
- 5. In ensuring that the Utsav is celebrated with a sense of learning a new language, it is desired that the States/UTs/ABs:
- i) Nominate a Nodal officer for the Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025 and share the details (name, designation, contact number, and email address) at the earliest on the following link:
  - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1R2JMERlp2GRRLAcmvAvHhv QHFHuxnKnd/edit?gid=1795921069#gid=1795921069
- ii) Instruct all schools to organize the Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025, following the above recommendations.
- iii) Encourage wide participation of students, teachers, parents, and community members.
- iv) Ensure that the activities are inclusive and reflect the linguistic diversity of your region and share the photos/videos of the activity on the following link for the purpose of documentation:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1M1AqPohkxeJkz5RCBGOzjLAO\_Il2bQ-a/edit?gid=623945282#gid=623945282

The Utsav will foster a deeper appreciation of Indian languages and literature, strengthen national integration, and contribute to the vision of a multilingual, knowledge-driven society. It is envisioned as more than a festival—

it is a meaningful learning experience that inspires students to value Bharat's rich legacy and internalize the essence of 'many languages, one emotion nation.'

Let us join hands to showcase the linguistic diversity of India and pay tribute to Mahakavi Bharati in a way that engages the intellect and emotions of our learners. Your continued support in nurturing this sense of unity through languages and advancing cultural cohesion during the Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav shall be deeply appreciated.

I look forward to your enthusiastic leadership in manifesting the essence of this celebration and ensuring its grand success.

Your sincerely

Encl. as above

Sd/-

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Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/ Secretary (School Education) of all States/ UTs

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## Concept Note भारतीय भाषा उत्सव — Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025

(Commemorating the birth anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharati on December 11, 2025)

Theme: "भाषाएँ अनेक, भाव एक" (Many Languages, One Emotion)

India is a civilization woven together through countless languages, dialects, and cultural expressions, each distinct, yet resonating with a shared emotional and cultural essence. This multilingual spirit lies at the heart of Bharat's unity in diversity. The celebration of Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav each year on 11th December, commemorating the birth anniversary of Mahakavi Subramania Bharati, honours this timeless bond among India's linguistic traditions.

Bharati was not only a towering figure of Tamil literature but a visionary who dreamt of an India united through its languages. His command over multiple Indian languages, Tamil. Sanskrit, Hindi, Telugu. Bengali. and others, symbolises the multilingual essence of our civilisational heritage. His poetry echoed freedom, equality, and progress, transcending linguistic boundaries and inspiring cultural awakening across Bharat.

Aligned with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the Utsav reinforces the principle of "multilingualism for national unity." It seeks to foster linguistic harmony, creativity, and inclusivity among students, teachers, and the larger community by engaging them in joyful, participative, and experiential activities centred on Indian languages.

This year's theme, "भाषाएँ अनेक, भाव एक" (Many Languages, One Emotion), celebrates India's linguistic unity, reminding us that while we speak in many tongues, the emotional essence that binds us remains one. It reflects the idea that every Bharatiya Bhasha contributes to our collective identity and strengthens the cultural and intellectual fabric of our nation.

The celebration of Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025 aims to foster a deep appreciation and pride in the rich diversity of Bharatiya languages and literature. It seeks to promote the spirit of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat by encouraging linguistic exchange and collaboration among diverse communities. The event will inspire students to learn at least one additional Bharatiya language beyond their mother tongue, strengthening both linguistic inclusivity and national integration. By highlighting the importance of multilingualism, the Utsav encourages teachers and learners to embrace multilingual learning as a means to achieve holistic education, cultivate cultural empathy, and further the ideals of unity and diversity across the nation.

The expected outcomes of Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025 include heightened awareness and pride in India's linguistic diversity among both students and educators. The celebration is expected to drive increased participation in learning and using multiple Bharatiya languages, fostering a deeper connection to the nation's cultural heritage. It will also strengthen community engagement in cultural and educational activities, promoting inclusivity and mutual respect across linguistic and regional divides. Ultimately, the Utsav will reinforce the

vision of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat by facilitating experiential learning that emphasizes unity, diversity, and cross-cultural understanding.

The Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025, with its theme "भाषाएँ अनेक, भाव एक (Many Languages, One Emotion)", stands as a tribute to Mahakavi Subramania Bharati's dream of linguistic unity and cultural harmony. Through collective celebration and participatory learning, the Utsav will reaffirm that while India's voices are many, its emotion is one, united in heritage, aspiration, and spirit.

## एक और भारतीय भाषा सीखें (Learn One More Bharatiya Bhasha)

Bharat is inherently multilingual, where individuals often speak and understand multiple Indian languages. Multilingualism in India does not simply mean different people speaking different tongues, but it signifies that every Indian carries within them the essence of many languages. Indian languages are deeply rooted in our cultural ethos and reflect the intellectual and emotional heritage of our nation. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 envisions multilingualism as a powerful instrument for national unity and cultural preservation. It encourages students to learn and appreciate more Indian languages through innovative activities and initiatives such as "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat."

From a future-readiness perspective, proficiency in multiple *Bharatiya Bhasha* enhances opportunities for education, employment, and social mobility across India's diverse regions. The "*Learn One More Bharatiya Bhasha*" initiative is not merely a language campaign—it is a movement to celebrate India's cultural unity and empower teachers to nurture a generation that is linguistically skilled, culturally aware, and nationally integrated. By encouraging the learning of additional Indian languages, the initiative fosters communication, inclusivity, and a deeper sense of national integration. It also supports professional growth by equipping teachers with multilingual pedagogical skills and enabling students to acquire linguistic competencies that will serve them in both personal and professional spheres.

Registration for "एक और भारतीय भाषा सीखें" (Learn One More Bharatiya Bhasha) will start with commencement of Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav 2025.

## **Suggested list of Activities**

S. No.	Level	Suggested Activities		
	Level  School Level	Day 1. 04 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 Thursday: "Language Tree Display and Language Heritage Wall"  Each class can design a "Language Tree" where new leaves are added as students learn words or expressions from different <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> . The display will grow as a symbol of linguistic learning and connection.  Create a permanent wall space in school that features maps, alphabets, and trivia about <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> . Students update it regularly with facts, inspiring quotes, and local scripts.  Day 2. 05 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 Friday: "Poetry Across Languages and Music Through Languages"  Students may select a poem in one <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> , translate it into another, and recite both versions to understand rhythm, tone, and meaning beyond literal translation.  Organise a multilingual musical performance or choir where each verse of a		
		organise a multilingual musical performance of choir where each verse of a song is sung in a different <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> , representing unity through melody.  Day 3. 06 December 2025, Saturday: "Festivals of Many Tongues and Voice of Language Podcast"		
		Schools celebrate regional festivals in their native languages. Students present short introductions about each festival's linguistic roots, traditional songs, and customs.		
		Students record brief podcasts or audio clips in different <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> , introducing a proverb, short poem, or folk tale from their region. These can be shared during assemblies or via the school website.  Day 04: 08 December 2025, Monday: "Unity in proverbs and Bhasha		
		Mitra Collaboration"		
		Students collect common sayings or proverbs from various Indian languages that share similar meanings. A short discussion can follow on how these reflect shared human values despite linguistic variations.		
		Teachers pair students from different linguistic backgrounds to teach one another greetings, expressions, and songs in different <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> , encouraging peer learning.		

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		Day 05: 09 December 2025, Tuesday: "Bhasha Bandhu Letters and Story Chain in Multiple Languages"		
		Story Chain in Manapie Danguages		
		Schools from different regions can partner and exchange letters or short video messages in their respective languages. Students may include translations to help peers understand messages of cultural connection.		
different Bh			tory in one language and have groups of students continue it in <i>charatiya Bhasha</i> . The final story can be read aloud to demonstrate creativity.	
		2025, Wednesday: "Language Exploration Clubs"		
Form clubs dedicated to learning new Indian languages the storytelling, discussions, and short peer-led sessions on regional				
		Day 07: 11 December 2025, Thursday: "Interactive Language F (Bhasha Mela) and Language Theatre Showcase"		
		Organise a <i>Bhasha Mela</i> where each class represents one Indian language through stalls displaying its script, common phrases, folk music, and traditional foods. Visitors can collect word cards from each stall to build their" language card".  Students stage short plays or performances in various <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> based on folk tales, moral stories, or episodes from Bharathiyar's life depicting unity and courage.		
		1. Bhasha Utsav Yatra	Organize a colourful rally with multilingual banners, placards, and traditional attire. Include songs, dances, and slogans that reflect linguistic harmony and the theme "भाषाएँ अनेक, भाव एक."	
2	Cluster / Community Level	2. Language Immersion Camp	Conduct community interaction or immersion camps in villages or local centres where students and teachers engage with native speakers to learn greetings, songs, and cultural expressions.	
		3. Bhasha Kala Mahotsav	Host a cultural exhibition at the cluster level featuring local art, crafts, stories, and folk performances in various <i>Bharatiya Bhasha</i> to celebrate India's linguistic heritage.	

4. Bharatiya Bhasha Mahotsav	Organize a state event involving schools, colleges and cultural organisations at district/cluster level with exhibitions, multilingual performances, and expert talks on language diversity.
5. Bhasha Samvardhan Abhiyan	Launch a cluster awareness drive promoting multilingualism through radio talks, street plays, language exhibitions, and teacher/students workshops, encouraging pride in linguistic diversity.