

SECRETARY
Government of India
Ministry of Panchayati Raj



SECRETARY
Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development

DO No J-11011/78/2017-Media

As you are aware, the Quit India movement also known as August Kranti Andolan that began on 9th August, 1942, altered the course of history leading to India attaining Independence from colonial rule in 1947. The nation will be observing 75th anniversary of Quit India Movement this year.

In August 2022, we will complete 75 years as an independent country. The coming five years provide us with a unique opportunity to come together and work for a progressive and developed India, as the nation did during the five year period from the launch of the Quit India movement.

It has been decided to commemorate the salutary Quit India movement of 1942 this year across the country for which the following activities need to be undertaken:

- a) The Independence Day will be celebrated as '*Sankalp Parva*' or the Day of Resolve towards a New India leading to transformation of that resolve into *Siddhi* or Attainment by working together in the same spirit as lakhs of Indians did during the five-year period from 1942-1947.
- b) The resolve should herald the birth of a new mass movement '*Sankalp Se Siddhi – Attainment through Resolve*'.
- c) Prabhat Pheris in all villages may be conducted on the morning of 15th August along with the Independence Day programme involving all school students, local youths, SHG members, beneficiaries of various Rural Development Programmes etc. to take a pledge on "Six enemies (Dirt, Poverty, Corruption, Terrorism, Casteism and Communalism) – Quit India" movement and become a Builder of New India.

- d) Gram Sabhas organized in all Gram Panchayats will commemorate the Quit India movement.
- e) *Sankalp Patras*
- i. Printed *Sankalp Patras (Statement of Oath)* would be distributed to all Gram Sabha members in local language by the State Government / UT Administration. The Sankalp Patra will include a pledge on a mass scale as also inclusive of a column for an individual pledge.
 - ii. All Gram Sabha members shall sign the Sankalp patra along with the individual pledge that they may like to indicate in the column for this purpose.
 - iii. State Governments would ensure collection of these Sankalp Patras to analyse the individual Sankalps that would then be analysed and communicated to the Ministry.
- f) The oath will be followed by a serious discussion, the 'New India Manthan' wherein the Gram Sabha members shall discuss how India should be in 2022 and how do they perceive their own contribution for a New India.
- g) Gram Rojgar Sahayaks (GRS), Community Resource Persons (CRPs) and other field level functionaries of Rural Development Department be instructed to encourage NREGA workers, SHG members, PMAY-G beneficiaries etc. not only to attend the function on the appointed date(s) but also contribute meaningfully in discussions so that the outcome of such discussions could be used in policy interventions, if required.
- h) States / UTs need to compile the outcome of discussions held during Gram Sabha and submit a report to the Ministry.

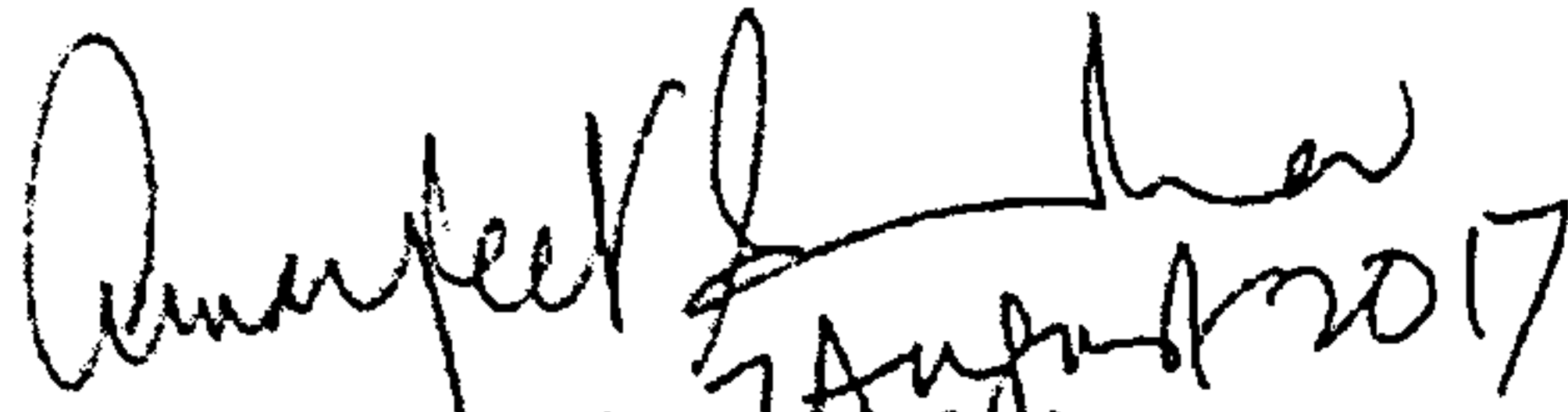
A Sammelan of all elected members of Gram, Intermediary and District Panchayats shall also be held by the District Panchayat to commemorate the event similarly during the month.

Necessary arrangements may be ensured by the State Governments / UT Administration for appropriate video and photo documentation alongwith adequate media coverage including coverage by Doordarshan, All India Radio and other TV and Radio channels. These photographs, video clips etc. would be sent by the States / UTs to this Ministry's website.

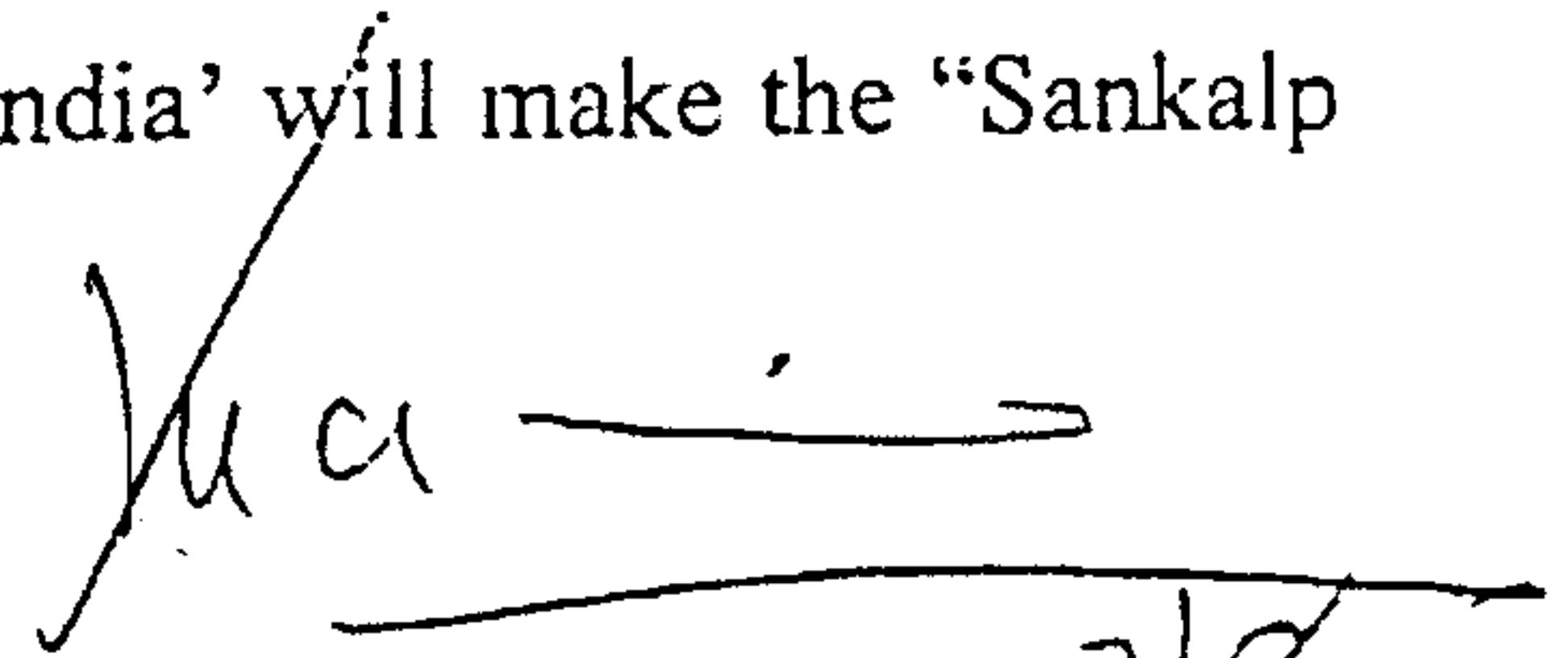
Office Memorandum dated 4th August, 2017 issued on the subject by DoPT is also enclosed.

People may be encouraged to participate in various events, share their ideas on 'New India' and stay connected through www.newindia.in and find the right cause that inspires them and associate themselves with it. People can also create causes they are passionate about and get others associated in it.

We are sure our joint resolve towards a 'New India' will make the "Sankalp to Siddhi" movement a success.~


(Amarjeet Singh)
7 August 2017

Secretary to the Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development



(Jitendra Shankar Mathur) 7/8
Secretary to the Government of India
Ministry of Panchayati Raj

Dated : 7th August, 2017

No. I-28011/23/2015-Coord (PLII)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training

North Block New Delhi
Dated the 4th August, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Commemoration of 75th anniversary of the Quit India Movement- regarding.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that there are moments in the journey of nations that fundamentally alter the course of history. One such moment was the Quit India Movement, also known as 'August Kranti' Andolan that began on 9th August 1942.

2. The 'Quit India Movement' was an important milestone in the Indian freedom struggle. Under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi, people across India, in every village, city transcending all barriers came together with a common mission- to uproot imperialism. Five years after the Quit India movement, India attained freedom on 15th August 1947. As the nation will be observing 75th Anniversary of the Quit India Movement this year, five years from now i.e. in August 2022 we will complete 75 years as an independent nation.

3. This five-year period, from 2017 to 2022 gives us a unique opportunity of 'Sankalp' to 'Siddhi' towards a 'New India.' Hence, 15th August 2017 be celebrated as the 'Sankalp Parva' or the Day of Resolve, and in 2022 our nation will certainly transform that resolve into 'Siddhi' or Attainment. This five-year period can ignite the transformation that will create an India, which our freedom fighters will be proud of. As such, let us work together, in the same spirit as lakhs of Indians did during the five-year period from 1942 to 1947. May this month herald the birth of a new mass movement- 'Sankalp se Siddhi – Attainment through Resolve', from the 9th of this August.

4. The following are a set of activities which could be complemented at individual / organisational / local levels :

(A) Pledge:

It all begins with a pledge- a pledge to create a New India that is strong prosperous and inclusive; an India that will make our freedom fighters proud.

This is the best time to make every Indian a Builder of a New India. During his 'Mann Ki Baat' programme the Hon'ble Prime Minister said, "In this month of August, the month of the Quit India movement, let us come together and resolve: Dirt – Quit India; Poverty – Quit India; Corruption – Quit India; Terrorism – Quit India; Casteism – Quit India; Communalism – Quit India!" In this spirit, let us go to www.newindia.in, make the Sankalp, take a pledge to become a Builder of New India. Let us also encourage others to do the same. The text of the Pledge will be shared by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

(B) Quit India Quiz:

Hon'ble Prime Minister's firm belief is that "Sankalp Se Siddhi" is not possible without inspiration from the past and India is a nation replete with such inspiration from the pages of our history. As such, this provides us a unique opportunity to know more about the Quit India movements, the people behind it and nuggets of history that would surely fascinate you.

Cont--

A 'New India Quiz' is being launched by the Ministry of Human Resources & Development. A Quiz will also be available on the 'Narendra Modi Mobile App' that will engage India's youth about the 'Quit India Movement'. Thus, it would be wonderful to see India's youth taking part in the Quiz competitions in large numbers.

'New India Manthan': Share your Ideas for a New India

The best decisions lead to the strongest determination. 'New India Manthan' is the New way to young together, discuss together and set the foundation of working together for a 'New India'. 'New India Manthan' is simple- all one needs is a venue to bring together people from across all age groups, willing to engage in intellectually stimulating discussions on New India should be in 2022. These deliberations can be followed by concrete efforts to make the ambitions sketched. This is the best possible means to further a spirit of ~~newness and togetherness~~.

Why cause. One would like to dedicate oneself to:

There is a lot to do for India! Today India needs the skills and strengths of every Indian. This is a space dedicated to issues that cater to the passions of 125 Crore Indians. ~~Now you can~~ ~~find~~ ~~for~~ ~~a~~ ~~'New~~ ~~India'~~, search for various events, participate in events and ~~are~~ ~~connected~~ ~~with~~ ~~various~~ ~~online~~ ~~activities~~. Go to www.newindia.in and find the right cause ~~that~~ ~~interests~~ ~~you~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~'Causes'~~ ~~section~~ ~~and~~ ~~associate~~ ~~yourself~~ ~~with~~ ~~it~~. One can even create ~~causes~~ ~~that~~ ~~are~~ ~~is~~ ~~passionate~~ ~~about~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~section~~ ~~titled~~ ~~"Causes~~ ~~Dear~~ ~~To~~ ~~You"~~ and get others ~~connected~~ ~~with~~ ~~it~~. As such, if someone who is passionate about a cause that is in and of ~~national~~ ~~interest~~, he/she can be urged to visit the website www.newindia.in too. If 125 crore Indians ~~celebrate~~ ~~the~~ ~~August~~ ~~Kranti~~ ~~Day~~ ~~on~~ ~~9th~~ ~~August~~, and resolve on 15th August to work ~~towards~~ ~~achieving~~ ~~a~~ ~~New~~ ~~India~~, there is no force that can stop us! Let us work together and make the 'Nishchit to Nishtha' movement a success.

Accordingly, all Ministries/Departments of Govt. of India are requested to give wide circulation to this C.M. at their individual organizational/local levels for carrying out the ~~supportive~~ ~~activities~~ ~~at~~ ~~its~~ ~~level~~ ~~and~~ ~~spirit~~.

1) ~~Such~~ ~~steps~~ ~~will~~ ~~follow~~.

Rajeshwar Lal
4/8/2017

(Rajeshwar Lal)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tele No. 011-23094579
E mail - rajeshwar.lal@nic.in

At the Ministries/Departments, Government of India