

Celebration of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Programme at IIIT Vadodara



Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) is a flagship programme by the Government of India to bring in cultural integration of the country as a part of the vision to build a "New India 2022". It aims to actively enhance interaction and mutual respect between people from different religion, race, culture and tradition. Unity in Diversity has been one of the greatest characteristic of our nation which has bound people of all religions together in one bond of humanity. And EBSB is a step forward to promote mutual harmony and national integration in all educational institutes of India. As part of programme, IIIT Vadodara is celebrating following dates as "EBSB days" in the institute:

S. No.	Pair State	Date
1	Gujarat – Chhattisgarh	26 th Jan, 2018
2	Bihar – Mizoram	
3	Tamil Nadu – Jammu and Kashmir	
4	Uttar Pradesh – Arunachal Pradesh	16 th March, 2018
5	Himachal Pradesh – Kerala	
6	Maharashtra – Odisha	
7	Chandigarh – Dadar and nagar Haveli	15 th Aug, 2018
8	Rajasthan – Assam	
9	Punjab – Andhra Pradesh	
10	Goa – Jharkhand	14 th Sept, 2018
11	Delhi - Sikkim	
12	Haryana – Telangana	
13	Lakshadweep – Andaman and Nicobar	2 nd Oct, 2018

1. First EBSB Day: As a part of EBSB programme, IIITV celebrated the 69th Republic Day in a spectacular way. The event was a perfect blend of entertainment and patriotism which correctly signified the essence of unity in India. The event focussed on different pair of states which included – Jammu&Kashmir - Tamil Nadu, Bihar - Mizoram and Gujarat – Chattisgarh.

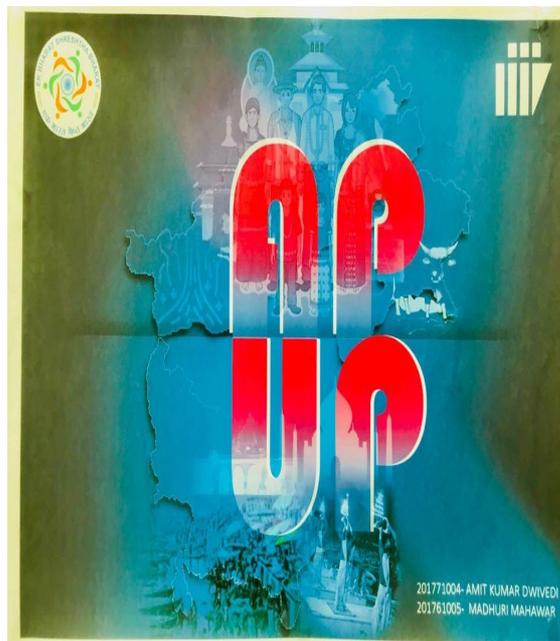
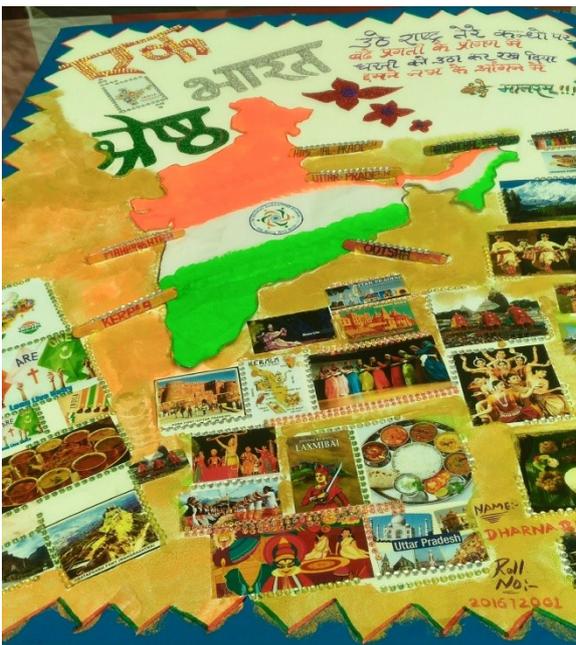
The blend of Gujarati and Chattisgarhi culture was depicted by songs in their native language by the budding singers of IIITV. Songs like – "Gori radha ne kado kaan" and "Haye dara lor ge he re" broke the linguistic boundaries and symbolised the oneness of Indian culture. The dancers built on this perfect atmosphere as the cultures of Tamil Nadu and Jammu&Kashmir were put to display. The world famous dance styles – "Bharatnatyam and Tiger form" from Kanchipuram left the audience in awe. The

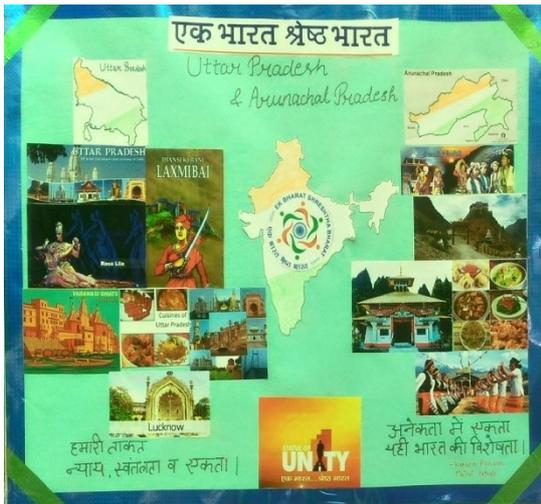
beautiful dance form – “Dhumal” from Kashmir and the beautiful dancers depicting it took us to an unforgettable journey to the Heaven on Earth. Finally, a drama depicting the story of two students from completely different backgrounds (Bihar and Mizoram), meeting, facing different problems, making opinions about each other and finally shattering all the boundaries after realising that no matter where you come from, you are an Indian from within showcased the acting talent of IIITvians along with a message of unity in diversity.





2. Second EBSB Day: The institute organized second EBSB Day on 16th March, 2018. A Poster Making Competition was held as a part of Second EBSB Day programme. The competition was organized and managed by sports and cultural committee of IIIT Vadodara. Students have participated in the competition and have successfully showcased their talent and creativity. The theme for the competition was to represent the 'Cultural heritage of three paired states' which were 1. Uttar Pradesh – Arunachal Pradesh, 2. Himachal Pradesh – Kerala, and 3. Maharashtra – Odisha. Participants focused on various aspects of these twin states to bring out their rich cultural heritage and beauty.





Sports and cultural committee declared the results of the competition on the evening of 16th March, 2018. The winners of the poster competition are Ms. Dharna Bhatt (1st) and Amit kr Dwivedi and Madhuri Mahawar (2nd). The prizes shall be distributed on 2nd October, 2018 which will be fifth EBSB Day.