

Bihar Foundation Day celebrated with full fervour at LG Secretariat

Leh, March 22: The Lieutenant Governor's Secretariat, UT Ladakh, celebrated Bihar Foundation Day with great enthusiasm and cultural pride under the aegis of the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative. The celebration reflected the spirit of unity in diversity and highlighted the rich cultural heritage of Bihar.

The Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative, conceptualised by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi, aims to strengthen national integration by fostering mutual understanding and cultural exchange among states and Union Territories. As part of this initiative, Foundation Days of various states/UTs are celebrated across Lok Bhavans, Lok Niwas, and other government establishments to promote awareness about the diverse cultural traditions of the country.

On the occasion, Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Shashanka Ala, warmly welcomed all personnel serving in Ladakh. In her address, she shared her personal fondness for Bihar, stating that the state holds a special place in her heart. She fondly recalled her probation period, mentioning that the food served in the hostel mess—particularly traditional Bihari cuisine—remains one of her favourites. She emphasised that the celebration of Foundation Days is aligned with the mandate of the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat initiative, which seeks to bring people closer through cultural appreciation and shared experiences.

The proceedings were conducted by Lt Col BK Dash, Security and Liaisoning Officer, who delivered a detailed presentation on Bihar's illustrious history and vibrant culture. He highlighted Bihar's legacy as a global centre of learning in ancient times, with the Nalanda University standing as a testament to its scholarly excellence. He also elaborated on Bihar's profound spiritual significance as the land associated with the origins and spread of Buddhism, Jainism, and Sikhism.

The presentation further showcased Bihar's rich artistic traditions, including the world-renowned Madhubani painting, its vibrant festivals such as Chhath Puja, and its iconic cuisine, notably Litti Chokha, which collectively reflect the state's cultural richness.

Personnel hailing from Bihar and currently serving in Ladakh across various organisations, including the Armed Forces, Defence Institute of High-Altitude Research (DIHAR-DRDO), and the Airports Authority of India, also shared their experiences. They spoke about Bihar's glorious past, its evolving development trajectory across multiple sectors, and encouraged others to visit the state to experience its heritage and hospitality firsthand.

A video message from the Hon'ble Governor of Bihar, Syed Ata Hasnain, was also played on the occasion, adding to the significance of the celebration.

Officials and staff of Lok Niwas and LG Secretariat took part in the celebration of Bihar Foundation Day.




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