



Vice-President Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan launches 'Har Ghar Tiranga Abhiyan' in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

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Vice-President says Great Nicobar Development Project will strengthen India's maritime capabilities and unlock new opportunities for growth

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Vice-President Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan today inaugurated the 'Har Ghar Tiranga Abhiyan' by hoisting the National Flag at Flag Point, Sri Vijaya Puram, on the occasion of August Kranti Diwas, commemorating the Quit India Movement of 1942.

Hoisted the National Flag at Flag Point, Sri Vijaya Puram, today under the #HarGharTiranga Abhiyaan, a historic site where Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose hoisted the Tricolour on December 30, 1943, proclaiming the Andaman & Nicobar Islands free from British rule.

On Quit India... pic.twitter.com/vA8x5wLNzW

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Addressing the gathering at the State Function and Tiranga Concert on Vande Mataram at the DBRAIT Auditorium, the Vice-President said there could be no more appropriate place to launch the campaign than these historic islands, which are deeply associated with India's freedom struggle and the history of the Tricolour.

Vice President Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan graced the State Function on 'Har Ghar Tiranga - Dedicated to the Spirit of Vande Mataram' at the DBRAIT Auditorium, in Sri Vijaya Puram, Andaman & Nicobar Islands today.

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Recalling the immortal words of the great Tamil poet Subramania Bharati, Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan said Bharati's celebration of the 'Mani Kodi' reflects the eternal courage of the Indian spirit and the glory of the flag of Mother Bharat. He said the Har Ghar Tiranga Abhiyan carries forward this spirit by bringing every citizen together under one National Flag, one motherland and one common destiny.

Recalling the sacrifices of freedom fighters who endured the dreaded Kala Pani, the Vice President said the Andaman & Nicobar Islands are much more than a geographical part of Bharat; they are a sacred land of sacrifice. He paid heartfelt tributes to Veer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and countless other patriots who suffered in the Cellular Jail, saying their courage, patriotism and sacrifice continue to inspire generations.

The Vice-President recalled that Mahatma Gandhi's clarion call of "Do or Die" on August 8, 1942, awakened millions of Indians and gave a decisive impetus to the freedom struggle. He also highlighted the unique place of the islands in the history of the Tricolour, recalling that Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose hoisted the Indian National Flag here on December 30, 1943, marking a landmark moment in India's freedom struggle.

Highlighting the significance of Har Ghar Tiranga, Shri Radhakrishnan said the campaign, initiated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has evolved into a nationwide people's movement. He called upon every citizen to proudly display the Tricolour and imbibe the values of patriotism, unity and collective responsibility that it represents. "Bharat is one and will always remain one," he affirmed.

The Vice-President highlighted the islands as a living example of 'Unity in Diversity' and 'Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat', while acknowledging their rich tribal heritage and recent progress in connectivity, healthcare, education and infrastructure. He said the Great Nicobar Island Development Project would further strengthen India's maritime capabilities, connectivity and economic opportunities, while balancing development with environmental conservation.

Emphasising the need for national strength alongside India's tradition of peace and generosity, Shri Radhakrishnan said, "India has always been generous, but our generosity should never be mistaken for weakness. We must remain prepared to protect our national interests and sovereignty." He called upon citizens to let the Tricolour inspire them with courage, unity and hope, and to carry forward the legacy of the freedom fighters in building a stronger and developed Bharat.

The Vice-President also attended a cultural programme and visited the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' Exhibition, showcasing the spirit of the campaign and its message of national unity and patriotism.

The event was attended by Lieutenant Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands Admiral D. K. Joshi (Retd.), Chief Secretary Smt. Chanchal Yadav, Chairperson of Sri Vijaya Puram Municipal Council Smt. M. Vasantha and Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad, Shri P. Ummer, among other dignitaries.

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