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(a)	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>LESSON PLAN</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>NATIONAL INTEGRATION : IMPORTANCE AND NECESSITY</u></p> <p>Period - One Type - Lecture Code - NI 2 Term - I (SD/SW)</p> <hr/> <p><u>Training Aids</u> 1. Computer, Projector, Charts, Pointer, Black Board & Chalk.</p> <p><u>Time Plan</u> 2. (a) Introduction - 05 Min (b) Importance of National Integration - 15 Min (c) Necessity of National Integration - 15 Min (d) Conclusion - 05 Min</p> <p><u>INTRODUCTION</u> 3. Indian civilisation is one of the oldest civilisations in the world. In the past people belonging to different races and religions came and settled here. They brought with them their distinctive language and life style. Different tribes with their distinct languages intermingled with various tribes of our country. That is why our culture is described as an example of composite culture. It is made up of all communities, races and religions.</p> <p><u>AIM</u> 4. To acquaint the cadets about National Integration, its Importance and Necessity.</p> <p><u>PREVIEW</u> 5. The lecture will be conducted in following parts:- (a) Part I - Importance of National Integration. (b) Part II - Necessity of National Integration.</p> <p><u>PART I : NATIONAL INTEGRATION AND ITS IMPORTANCE</u> National Integration 6. National integration means a feeling of togetherness and unity among the people of a country. It also means an atmosphere in which all citizens, irrespective of their caste, religion and region live</p>

together peacefully. It refers to integration in all respects, social political, economic and above all emotional. In an integrated country people share common goals. They all work together and co-operate with each other for the prosperity of the nation.

7. We must understand that national integration does not mean uniformity of all. It does not stand for uniformity of religion, dress and food habits etc. It means both, preservation of diverse cultures and, at the same time living and working in harmony with each other. No country or society can survive if its people do not remain united. The feeling of togetherness and a sense of belonging are absolutely necessary for a nation to survive. Such a feeling can only be generated through the process of integration. Thus national integration is a positive concept which provides strength to the people to fight against all evil forces. It provides a congenial condition in which people can make good progress.

Importance

8. National integration has assumed greater importance in the recent years due to the fast changing ethos and moral values in the society. The need for national integration was probably never felt before as is felt today. The turbulent atmosphere and the deteriorating law and order situation in the country due to various religious, social and political factors have led to the realisation of the necessity of national integration.

9. The realisation of its importance in itself is a step in the desired direction. The Government having appreciated the urgency and seriousness of the subject is taking positive steps towards achieving the national integration. NCC, one of the prime organisations of the country training the youth, the future of this great nation, makes the ideal ground to start with. National integration has been made part and parcel of NCC training. Lot of emphasis is laid on national integration by conducting national level camps and number of other activities where cadets from all over the country participate.

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PART II : NECESSITY OF NATIONAL INTEGRATION

10. National integration is necessary particularly in a country like India, where people with different languages, religions, races and culture are required to be weaved together. The unity in diversity of which we are proud of can only be maintained if, we have the understanding and respect for each other's religion, customs and traditions. If we have to survive as a nation and safeguard our sovereignty and national integrity, we have to remain united. National integration is a pre-requisite for the survival and prosperity of any nation and hence needs no emphasis. National integration is therefore a basic necessity for survival of any nation such as:-

(a) Maintenance of sovereignty and territorial integrity of the nation.

- (b) Maintenance of peace and harmony.
- (c) Growth and development of the nation.
- (d) Eradication of poverty and illiteracy.
- (e) Internal security and law and order.
- (f) Culture and religious development.
- (g) Economic and industrial growth.
- (h) Attract foreign investment and increase import and export.
- (j) Exchange of technological know-how and culture .
- (k) Dignity and self respect as a nation.
- (l) Welfare and well-being of the people. 22
- (m) Foreign relations and better standing among the nations of the world.

CONCLUSION

11. It is the duty of each and every citizen of our country to strive to achieve unity in spite of diversity and further cement it. We must remember that there should be no divisions between North and South or East and West of India. There is only one India of which we all Indians are inheritors. We are Indian first and Indians last.