

## **“Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2019” (National Unity Day 2019) observed**

To commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh bhai Patel, the Architecture of national integration of independent India, “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) was observed on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at ICAR-National Institute of Biotic Stress Management, Baronda, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. This day re-affirms the inherent strength and resilience of our people to withstand threats to the security, Unity and integrity of the country. In 2019, the day has a special significance as it marks the completion of the task of making Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh an integral part of India by abrogating article 370 which represents the realisation of the dream of Sardar Patel for Integrated India.

A Pledge taking ceremony was held at 4.00 p.m. on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019 in the Institute. Scientists, Officers and Staff members of the Institute participated in the Pledge-taking ceremony.

