

# Report on the Celebration of the 150th Anniversary of 'Vande Mataram' (Vande Mataram@150)

**Date:** 18 September 2025 **Venue:** Arts Block, Baosi Banikanta Kakati College, Nagaon, Barpeta

#### Background

Baosi Banikanta Kakati College, Nagaon, Barpeta, observed the **150th Anniversary of** 'Vande Mataram' under the banner *Vande Mataram@150* with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The programme was organised in the open space of the Arts Block to commemorate the historic composition that has inspired generations in India's freedom movement and continues to symbolize national pride and unity. The event aimed to instill in the students and staff a deeper appreciation for the legacy and significance of the National Song of India.

The celebration was conducted as per the following schedule:

Sl. No.	Description	Time
1	Introduction: Vande Mataram@150	9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
2	Mass Singing of the National Song	10:00 a.m. – 10:04 a.m.
3	Speech by Dignitary	10:05 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.
4	Speech by Dignitary	10:11 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.
5	Webcasting of the Speech of Hon'ble Prime Minister (Live Telecast)	10:30 a.m. onwards
6	Vote of Thanks	

#### **Proceedings of the Celebration**

The programme commenced at 9:45 a.m. with a brief introduction by the organisers, highlighting the historical and cultural relevance of *Vande Mataram* and its completion of 150 glorious years. The introduction was followed by the Mass Singing of 'Vande Mataram', in which both teachers and students participated with heartfelt devotion and respect. The collective rendition created an atmosphere of unity and reverence within the college campus.

Following the singing session, **Mrs. Rina Das**, Head of the Department of Economics, addressed the gathering, reflecting on the socio-political impact of *Vande Mataram* and its role in uniting the people during India's struggle for independence. Her speech was followed by an inspiring address from **Dr. Kishor Kumar Deka**, Associate Professor, Department of English, who emphasized the literary and patriotic significance of the song



and its enduring relevance in modern India.

The principal of the college, **Dr. Pradip Das**, then delivered a keynote address, commending the collective effort of the faculty and students in organizing the event and encouraging everyone to uphold the values of patriotism, integrity, and cultural pride embodied in *Vande Mataram*.

Subsequently, a live webcast of the speech of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India was arranged under the initiative of RUSA 2.0, in which teachers and students assembled to listen to the address. The Prime Minister's speech, delivered as part of the nationwide celebration, highlighted the spirit of unity and the historical journey of the National Song. The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks offered by the Coordinator of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), expressing gratitude to all faculty members, students, and staff for their active participation and cooperation in making the celebration a meaningful and successful event.

#### Conclusion

The celebration of *Vande Mataram@150* at Baosi Banikanta Kakati College served as a moment of reflection on India's rich cultural and patriotic heritage. It successfully brought together the college community to honour one of the most iconic symbols of national identity, inspiring everyone to carry forward the ideals of unity, courage, and love for the nation.

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Mass Singing of Vande Mataram









### Web Casting of the Speech of Hon'ble Prime Minister





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