



'No Alcohol Week'

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On the occasion of the 152nd birth anniversary of **Mahatma Gandhi**, 'No Alcohol Week' (from October 2 to 8, 2021) was organized by the state's Social Welfare Department. During this, various programs were organized across the state to make people aware about the ill effects of drug abuse.

Key Points

- It was launched by **Social Welfare Minister Anila Bhediya** by flagging off the drug de-addiction rath (chariot) in Balod district under the **Bharat Mata Vahini Yojana**. Along with this, awareness raths were flagged off by the collectors in various districts.
- Seminars and essay writing, rangoli-painting competitions were organized in schools and colleges on the topic of drug eradication, in which students enthusiastically participated.
- Along with this, through seminars and awareness rallies, people were explained that alcohol intoxication harms a person physically and mentally.
- By organizing yoga camps through the Yoga Commission, people were informed about the health problems caused due to alcohol intoxication and it was explained that life can be made balanced and healthy through yoga.
- Under the liquor de-addiction campaign, these chariots will travel from village to village to create public awareness for drug de-addiction. An awareness rally was also taken out by the women of Bharat Mata Vahini Dal on this occasion.