

## 200th Jayanti Celebrations of Swami Dayanand Saraswati

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Recently, the Prime Minister of India addressed a programme on the **200<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Swami Dayananda Saraswati.** 

- Swami Dayanand Saraswati was born as Mool Shankar Tiwari on 12<sup>th</sup> February 1824 in Tankara,
  Guiarat.
- He wandered as an ascetic for fifteen years (1845-60) in search of truth.
  - The DAV (Dayanand Anglo Vedic) schools came into existence in 1886 to realise the vision of Swami Dayanand Saraswati.
- The first Arya Samaj Unit was formally set up by Swami Dayanand Saraswati at Mumbai in 1875 and later the headquarters of the Samaj were established at Lahore.
- He took inspiration from the Vedas and considered them to be 'India's Rock of Ages', the infallible and the true original seed of Hinduism.
  - He gave the slogan "Back to the Vedas".

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