

## Dr. B R Ambedkar Death Anniversary

The death anniversary of **Dr. B R Ambedkar** is commemorated every year on **6<sup>th</sup> December** through the observance of **Mahaparinirvan Diwas** to recall his exemplary service to our nation.

- Parinirvana, regarded as one of the major principles as well as goals of **Buddhism**, is a Sanskrit term which means release or **freedom after death.** 
  - As per the Buddhist text **Mahaparinibbana Sutta, the death of Lord Buddha** at the age of 80 is considered as the original Mahaparinirvan.





# Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar

Babasaheb Ambedkar-

The Father of Indian Constitution

14 April 1891- 06 December 1956



## Brief Profile

- A social reformer, jurist, economist, author and thinker of comparative religions
- Labour member in the Executive Council of Viceroy (1942)
- Chairman of the Drafting Committee for the new Constitution
- First Law Minister of India
- Posthumously awarded Bharat Ratna (1990)

#### Contributions

- Led the Mahad Satyagraha in 1927 against Hindus
- Participated in all three Round Table Conferences
- Signed the 1932 Poona pact with Mahatma Gandhi to abandon the idea of separate electorates for the depressed classes

The reserved seats for depressed classes were increased from 71 to 147 in provincial legislatures and to 18% in the Central Legislature.

- Opposed the special status of J&K (Article 370)
- Supported Uniform Civil Code
- Referred Article 32 as "soul of the Constitution and very heart of it"

#### Resignation and Buddhism

- Differences over Hindu Code Bill led to his resignation from Cabinet in 1951
- Converted to Buddhism; his death is observed as Mahaparinirvan Diwas

## Important Journals

- Mooknayak (1920)
- Bahishkrit Bharat (1927)
- Samatha (1929)
- Janata (1930)



- Annihilation of Caste
- Buddha or Karl Marx
- The Untouchable: Who are They and Why They Have Become Untouchables
- The Rise and Fall of Hindu Women

## Organisations

- Estd. 'Bahishkrit Hitkarini Sabha' (1923)
- Founded Independent Labour Party (1936)
- Founded Scheduled Castes Federation (1942)





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