



## Veer Savarkar

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Recently, the Prime Minister paid tribute to freedom fighter Veer Savarkar on his Punya tithi (26<sup>th</sup> February).

- **Birth:** Born on 28<sup>th</sup> May, 1883 in **Bhagur**, a village near Nashik in Maharashtra.
- **Related Organisations and Work:**
  - **Founded** a secret society called **Abhinav Bharat Society**.
  - He was the **president** of **Hindu Mahasabha** from 1937 to 1943.
  - The famous book includes '[The History of the War of Indian Independence](#)' and '**Hindutva: who is Hindu?**'.
- **Trial and Sentences:**
  - He was arrested in 1909 on charges of plotting an armed revolt against the [Morley-Minto reform \(Indian Councils Act 1909\)](#).
  - Arrested in **1910** for his connections with the revolutionary group **India House**.
    - Following the **two trials**, Savarkar was **convicted** and sentenced to **50 years imprisonment** and transported in 1911 to the **Cellular Jail in the [Andaman and Nicobar Islands](#)** (also known as **Kala Pani**).
- **Death:** He died on **26<sup>th</sup> February 1966** due to **fasting** on his wish of death.



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