

Veer Savarkar

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

- Birth: Born on 28th 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 '<u>The History of the War of Indian Independence'</u> 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 26th February 1966 due to fasting on his wish of death.



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