

## 95th Birth Anniversary of Shyamji Krishna Varma

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On the occasion of <u>Shyamji Krishna Varma's</u> **95**<sup>th</sup> **birth anniversary**, the Prime Minister paid tribute to the esteemed revolutionary and freedom fighter.

- Shyamji Krishna Varma was an Indian revolutionary, patriot, lawyer, and journalist, born on 4<sup>th</sup> October 1857, in Mandvi, Gujarat.
- Shyamji Krishna Varma drew inspiration from figures like <u>Bal Gangadhar Tilak</u>, Swami Dayanand Saraswati, and Herbert Spencer.
- In London, he established the Indian Home Rule Society in 1905, India House, and The Indian Sociologist (a monthly journal) which aimed to inspire young Indians to engage in revolutionary activities against British rule.
  - The **Indian Sociologist served as a platform for nationalist ideas,** and through the Home Rule Society, he criticised colonial governance.
- Varma was the first President of the Bombay Arya Samaj and influenced Veer Savarkar.
- In response to British criticism, Varma transitioned from England to Paris and subsequently settled in Geneva during World War I, where he remained until his death on 30<sup>th</sup> March 1930.



