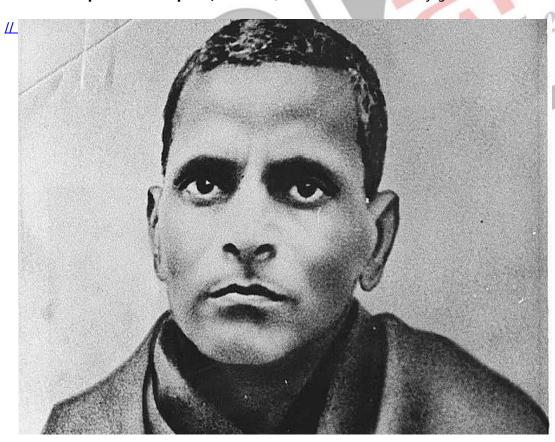


Sri Potti Sriramulu

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Recently, Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister announced the establishment of a Telugu University in honor of martyr **Sri Potti Sriramulu** to commemorate his sacrifices for the Telugu people.

- Sri Potti Sriramulu is honored for his crucial role in advocating for a Telugu-speaking state from Madras. His sacrifice on 15th December led to the creation of linguistic states in India.
- His death after a 56-day fast led to widespread violence, prompting the government to form a State Reorganisation Commission (Dec 1953), creating Andhra Pradesh in Oct 1953.
- Sriramulu participated in the <u>Indian Independence Movement</u> and was jailed for his involvement in the <u>1930 Salt Satyagraha</u> and also participated in the <u>Quit India Movement</u>.
- He was a dedicated follower and ardent supporter of Mahatma Gandhi. He also joined the Gandhi Ashram in Komaravolu, established by Yerneni Subrahmanyam.
- He undertook a fast to support Dalit entry rights to the Venu Gopala Swamy
 Temple in Moolapeta, Nellore, which were eventually granted.



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