



Savitribai Phule Birth Anniversary

Why in News?

On 3rd January 2024, **Haryana Chief Minister** is **going to visit Bahadurgarh** to attend an event to be organised to mark the birth anniversary of [social reformer Savitribai Phule](#).

Key Points

▪ Instructions to Officials:

- All department officials were directed to complete preparations on time and with responsibility.
- Officials were instructed to **remove encroachments and enhance sanitation** in the area.

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SAVITRIBAI PHULE

(03 January 1831 - 10 March 1897)

A 19th century social reformer who worked in the field of women education

EARLY LIFE

- ▶ Born in **Mali community (Maharashtra)**
- ▶ Aged 9 - married to 13 y/o Jyotirao Phule - an **extraordinary couple in India's social & educational history**

SOCIAL ENDEAVOURS

▶ Individual

- Published **Kavya Phule (1854) & Bavan Kashi Subodh Ratnakar (1892)**
- Started **Mahila Seva Mandal (1852)** - raise awareness about women's rights
- Wrote poem - **Go, Get Education** for oppressed communities
- Carried forward the **Satya Shodhak Samaj** after Jyotiba's death (1890)

▶ With Jyotiba

- Started a school for girls, Shudras and Ati-Shudras in Poona (1848) (India's **first school for women - started by Indians**)
- Opened **Native Female School (Pune)** and **The Society for Promoting the Education of Mahars, Mangs and Etceteras in 1850s**
- Started - **Balhatya Pratibandhak Griha** (Home for the **Prevention of Infanticide**) in their own house

