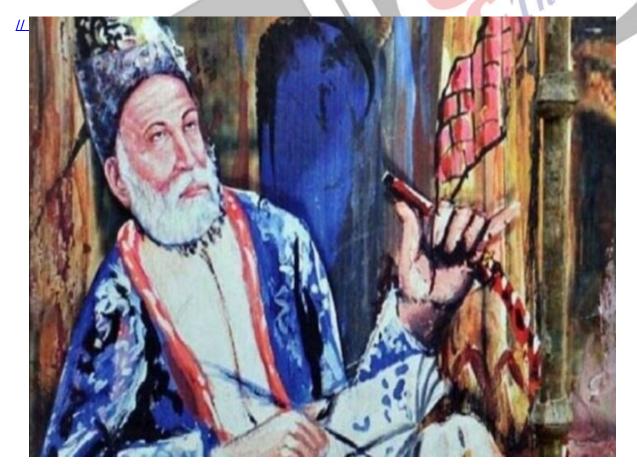
## **Anniversary of Mirza Ghalib**

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Recently, a 3-day event titled 'Remembering Ghalib' was organized by the Sahitya Kala Parishad in Delhi, to mark the birth anniversary of renowned poet Mirza Ghalib.

- Sahitya Kala Parishad is a cultural wing of the Government of Delhi, set up in 1968 for the promotion and propagation of Art and Culture in Delhi.
- Mirza Ghalib:
- Mirza Asadullah Baig Khan, known as Ghalib, was born on 27th December 1797.
- A legendary Urdu and Persian poet, he traced his ancestry to the Aibak Turks.
  He married at 13 and settled in Delhi.
- In 1850, Mughal Emperor Bahadur Shah Zafar II awarded him the titles Dabir-ul-Mulk and Najm-ud-Daula.
  - He was appointed royal tutor for poetry and historian.
- After Ghalib's death in 1869, he was buried near the tomb of Nizamuddin Auliya, a famous sufi saint of the <u>Chishti Order</u>, in <u>Hazrat Nizamuddin</u>.
  - He made Urdu letter writing more conversational.



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