



## Death Anniversary of VD Savarkar

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The **Prime Minister** paid tributes to [VD Savarkar](#) on his death anniversary on **26<sup>th</sup> February 2025**. He passed away in Mumbai on **26<sup>th</sup> February 1966**.

- **About VD Savarkar:** He was a **nationalist, revolutionary, and writer** who played a key role in **India's independence** and shaped **nationalist ideology**.
- **Political Ideology:**
  - **Hindutva:** Defined **Hindu nationalism**, arguing for a **cultural and civilizational identity** of India as a Hindu Rashtra.
  - **Hindu Mahasabha Leadership (1937-1943):** Advocated **against partition** and promoted military training for Hindus.



▪ **Revolutionary Activities:**

- **Founded Abhinav Bharat Society (Young India Society, 1904):** A secret revolutionary group advocating **armed resistance** against British rule.
- **Associated with India House & Free India Society:** Played a crucial role in fostering **revolutionary activities** among Indian students in **London**.
- **Book on 1857 Revolt (1909):** His work, *The First War of Indian Independence - 1857*, redefined the 1857 uprising as a **nationalist struggle**.
- **Imprisonment (1911-1924):** Arrested for conspiring against British rule, he was sentenced to **50 years** at Kala Pani in **Andaman Cellular Jail**.
  - He was released in **1924** after writing a few **mercy petitions** between **1911 and 1920** for his release.

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