Veer Savarkar

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Recently, the Prime Minister paid tribute to freedom fighter Veer Savarkar on his Punya tithi (26th February).

- Birth: Born on 28th May,1883 in Bhagur, a village near Nashik in Maharashtra.
- Related Organisations and Work:
 - Founded a secret society called Abhinav Bharat Society.
 - He was the **president** of **Hindu Mahasabha** from 1937 to 1943.
 - The famous book includes '<u>The History of the War of Indian Independence</u>' and '**Hindutva:** who is Hindu?'.
- Trial and Sentences:
 - He was arrested in 1909 on charges of plotting an armed revolt against the <u>Morley-Minto</u> reform (Indian Councils Act 1909).
 - Arrested in **1910** for his connections with the revolutionary group India House.
 - Following the **two trials**, Savarkar was **convicted** and sentenced to **50 years imprisonment** and transported in 1911 to the **Cellular Jail in the** <u>Andaman and</u> <u>Nicobar Islands</u> (also known as **Kala Pani)**.
- Death: He died on 26th February 1966 due to fasting on his wish of death.



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