



# Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti

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[Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti](#), is celebrated on **19<sup>th</sup> February** every year.

- **Chhatrapati Shivaji**, the **founder of the [Maratha Empire](#)**, was born on 19th February 1630 at the **Shivneri Fort** in the Junnar district of present day Maharashtra.
  - He was born to **Shahaji Bhosale and Jijabai**.
- He introduced the collection of two taxes called the [Chauth and Sardeshmukhi](#). He also divided his kingdom into four provinces, each headed by a **Mamlatdar**.
- He abolished the **Jagirdari System** and replaced it with the [Ryotwari System](#).
- He took on the titles of **Chhatrapati, Shakakarta, Kshatriya Kulavantas and Haindava Dharmodhhaarak**.

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