

Death Anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru

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On 27th May 2025, the Prime Minister paid homage to India's first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru—who died on 27th May 1964 and is remembered as the Architect of Modern India.

- About JL Nehru:
 - Early Life: Born on 14th November 1889, in Prayagraj, he attended his first <u>Congress</u> session in 1912 at Bankipore (Patna) as a delegate and joined <u>Annie Besant's Home Rule League</u> in 1916, becoming its <u>Allahabad</u> Secretary in 1919.



- Contribution in Freedom Struggle: He was elected Congress President at the 1929 <u>Lahore session</u>, passing the historic <u>Purna Swaraj resolution</u> for complete independence, and <u>later presided</u> over the 1936 <u>Lucknow</u> and 1937 <u>Faizpur</u> sessions, promoting socialism.
 - He drafted <u>Fundamental Rights</u> and <u>Economic Policy</u> (1929-31), adopted at the 1931 <u>Karachi Session</u> under <u>Sardar Patel</u>, and advocated legal defence for <u>Indian National Army</u> (INA) soldiers.
 - He led the Interim Government in 1946.
- Post-Independence: In 1953, he formed the <u>States Reorganisation Commission</u>, promoted industrialisation through <u>Five-Year Plans</u>, and led the <u>Non-Alignment</u> <u>Movement</u>.
- Awards: He was awarded the <u>Bharat Ratna</u> (1955) and World Peace Council Prize (posthumously, 1970).
- Literary Contributions: The Discovery of India, An Autobiography, Glimpses of World History and Letters from a Father to His Daughter.

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