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## Prime Minister Narendra Modi hails sacrifices of tribals on Vanyasi Gauray Diwas

## **Synopsis**

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Prime Minister <u>Narendra Modi</u> hailed the contribution of various Indian tribes across the country in the freedom struggle on the occasion of <u>Vanvasi Gaurav</u> <u>Diwas</u>. He underlined that his government has taken several measures for the welfare of <u>tribals</u> and given them due respect as citizens.

In a message on Vanvasi Gaurav Diwas that is celebrated on November 15, the birth anniversary of legendary tribal leader <u>Birsa Munda</u>, the prime minister said his government has opened tribal museums across the nation. He listed schemes like the opening of Jan Dhan bank accounts, Gobardhan (use of cow dung), Van Dhan (forest produce), encouragement to self-help groups in rural areas, Swachh

Bharat in which toilets were built in tribal homes, PM Awas Yojna, Matrutva Vandana Yojana for the welfare of mothers after delivery, Gramin Sadak Yojana, mobile connectivity, and opening of Eklavya schools for tribals.

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He appreciated the contribution of various tribes in the freedom struggle and recalled the impressive tribal movements and battles waged by them to free India from British rule. Among the movements he listed were Damin Sangram led by Tilak Manjhi, Larka movement under Budhu Bhagat, Sidhu-Kanhu Kranti, Tana Bhagat Movement, Vegda Bhil Movement, Naikda Movement, Sant Joriya Parmeshwar and Roop Singh Nayak, Limdi Dahod battle, the movement led by Govind Guru of Mangarh in 1913 and the Rampa movement under Alluri Sitaram Raju.

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"India has to give shape to its future by learning from this grand legacy. I am sure that Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas will become an opportunity and medium for this," he said. The Modi government began the practice of celebrating Vanvasi Gaurav Diwas. The prime minister had recently visited Banaskantha in Gujarat and Mangarh on the Rajasthan-Gujarat border where more than a 1,000 tribals were massacred by the British in 1913.