

Asom Diwas or Assam Day

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Why in news?

The Prime Minister of India has extended his best wishes to people of Assam on Asom Diwas.

Asom Diwas - It is celebrated on **December 2** every year.

- **Commemorate** - It is celebrated to commemorate the arrival of the **1st king of Ahom kingdom Sukapha** in Assam.
 - Also known as **Sukapha Divas** in honour of the founder of the Ahom kingdom that existed for nearly 600 years.
- The Tai Ahom Development Council (TADC) organized the unveiling of a **statue of Swargadeo Sukapha in Nazira**, Sivasagar district.

Swargadeo Chaolung Sukapha

- He established the Ahom kingdom in **1228 AD**.
- **Origin** - Sukapha was a ***Tai prince*** who migrated from Mong Mao, crossed the Patkai Hills, and founded the Ahom kingdom in Assam, shaping the region's history for nearly 6 centuries, until 1826.
- **Clan** - Belonged to the Su (Tiger) clan of the Mao-Shan sub-tribe.
- **Title** - "Chaolung" Sukapha means "Great Lord."
- **Legacy** - He is remembered as the **architect of "Bor Asom"** (Greater Assam), symbolizing unity, harmony, and inclusivity.
 - He unified various ethnic groups of Assam by treating them as equals.
- **Death** - Passed away in 1268 at Charaideo, where his burial site (maidam) remains a cultural landmark.
- The Ahom rule is hailed as golden rule in the history of Assam, also credited for keeping the Mughal rulers away.

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