

Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada

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Why in News?

Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada (1–15 November 2025), commemorating the 150th birth anniversary of Dharti Aaba Bhagwan Birsa Munda is observing across the country.

Key events

- In the Andaman & Nicobar Islands A plantation drive was undertaken in the Jarawa area, symbolizing the intrinsic connection between tribal communities and nature, and promoting ecological conservation.
- In Andhra Pradesh Multiple educational and capacity-building initiatives marked the celebrations
 - The Integrated Tribal Development Agency (ITDA), Parvathipuram, organized an Orientation Training Programme for officers and field staff on key initiatives PM JANMAN, Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan, and Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan.
 - Similarly, ITDA Nellore conducted a one-day orientation session with 17 departments, focusing on the Ministry's 25 flagship tribal development interventions through detailed presentations and discussions.
- In Odisha A Painting Exhibition dedicated to Bhagwan Birsa Munda was inaugurated, featuring works by tribal and contemporary artists.
- Each canvas vividly portrayed the courage, vision, and enduring legacy of the great freedom fighter, blending artistic creativity with cultural reverence.
- In Telangana Birsa Munda Jayanti 150th Celebrations were observed at the Government ST Girls College Hostelthrough floral tributes and a garlanding ceremony, and paying homage.
- In Sikkim The Tribal Students Sports Meet cum Health Camp continued at the Khelo India State Centre of Excellence, Gangtok promoting

fitness, health awareness, and community spirit among tribal youth.

- In Maharastra Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) across Maharashtra joined the celebrations with creative competitions:
 - Poem Recitation Competition at EMRS Korchi.
 - Essay and Creative Writing Competition at EMRS Gewardha.
- These activities inspired students to explore tribal history, culture, and pride through their own voices and imagination.
- **Significance** It reaffirms communities, institutions, and youth across India, a national commitment to tribal empowerment through education, environment, art, and awareness.

Reference

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