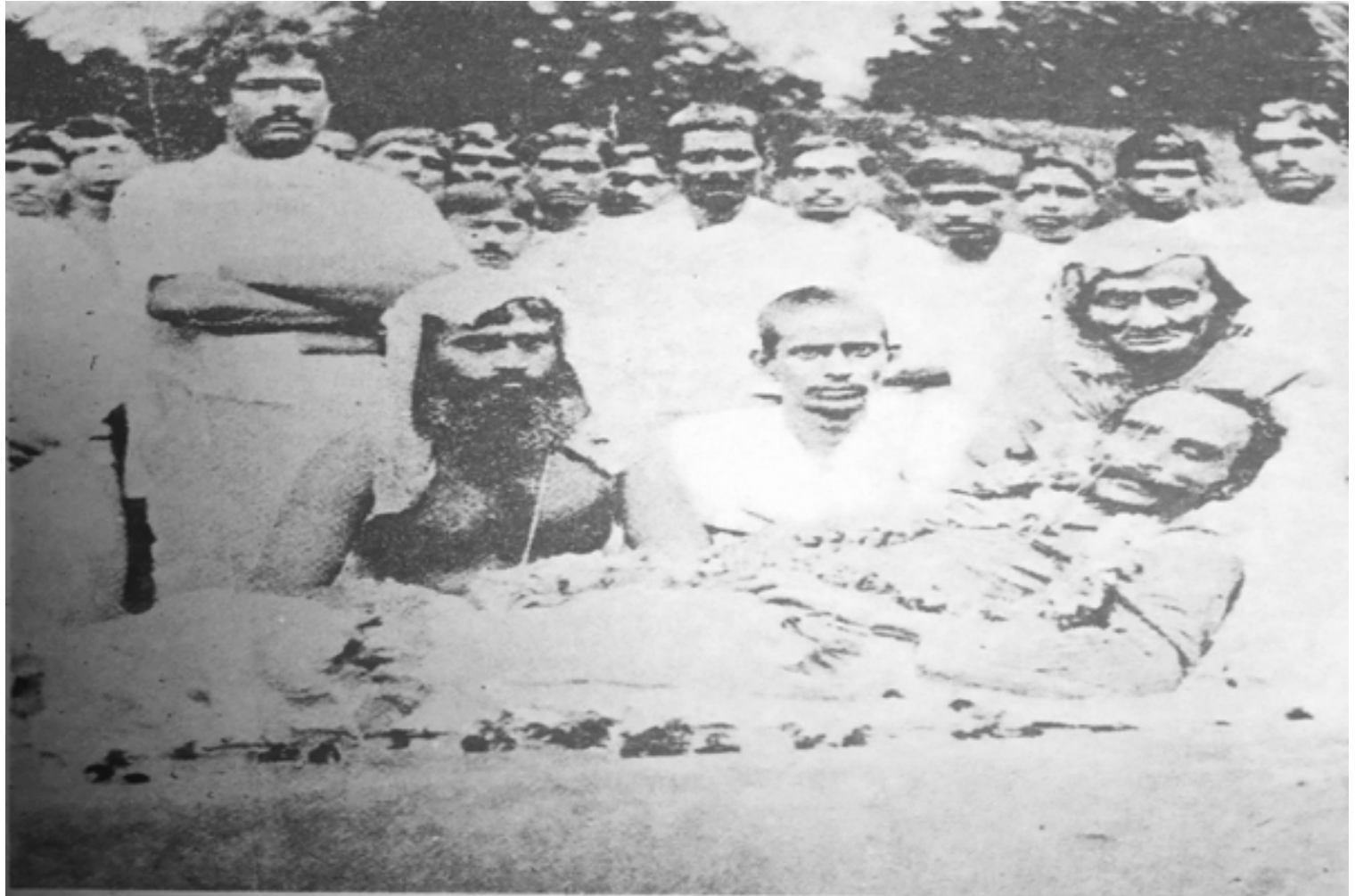


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The birth anniversary of Sakharam Ganesh Deuskar was observed recently on 17th December.



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About Sakharam Ganesh Deuskar:

- Sakharam Ganesh Deuskar was a **revolutionary journalist** and a close associate of Sri **Aurobindo**.
- He was born on **17 December 1869**, in a village near **Deoghar, Jharkhand**.
- He was raised in a Bengali cultural setting, though of **Marathi origin**.
- He lost his mother at the **age of five** and was raised by his **widowed brother**.
- This upbringing instilled a **deep appreciation for Marathi literature**.
- He studied **Vedas** and learned the **Bengali language** during his early years.
- Bal Gangadhar Tilak was a significant **political influence and mentor**.

His Contributions:

Journalistic:

- Sakharam Ganesh Deuskar contributed to various **revolutionary Bengali magazines**.
- He is known for his work '**Deshar Katha**' (translated to 'Desh Ki Baat' in Hindi).
- He highlighted the **exploitation of the Indian economy** under British colonial rule.

Role in the Indian National Movement

- His writings **mobilized the masses** and **brought awareness** to the impacts of British imperialism.
- He faced **censorship and personal hardships** for his outspoken views.

Educational Contributions

- Taught at **R. Mitra High School** and later at the **National Council of Education in Calcutta**.
- He focused on **Bengali language and Indian history**.

His Legacy:

- Deuskar's life and works were pivotal in bridging the cultural and intellectual gaps between **Maharashtra and Bengal**.
- Recognized for his role in Indian **mass awareness and Renaissance**.
- Despite facing numerous challenges, including censorship and personal loss, his commitment to **Indian independence remained steadfast**.
- He passed away on **23 November 1912**.