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NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

'National Youth Day' is celebrated in India on 12th January every year. This day marks the birth day of great Indian philosopher, Swami Vivekananda.

Indian Government declared January 12th as the National Youth Day in 1984 and since 1985 the event is celebrated in India every year. Swami Vivekananda was born on 12th January 1863 in Calcutta. His

original name was Narendra Nath Datta. His father, Vishwanath Datta, was an attorney at the Calcutta High Court. His mother, Bhuvaneshwari Devi, was a devout housewife. The teachings of Swami Vivekanand

are the biggest philosophical asset of the country.

The motto of declaring youth day on the birth date of this philosophical guru was motivating and

inculcating these pious ideals to the coming generations. As per the quote from the government of India's Communication, "it was felt that the philosophy Swami jñ and the ideals for which he lived and worked could be great source of inspiration for the Indian Youth." National Youth Day is observed with great devotion towards Swami Vivekananda at headquarters of Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission as well as their branch centers. At various places mangal arti, koma, meditation, devotional songs, religious discourses and sandhya arti are held on this day. This National Youth Day is also observed in almost all educational institutes of the country with great enthusiasm.