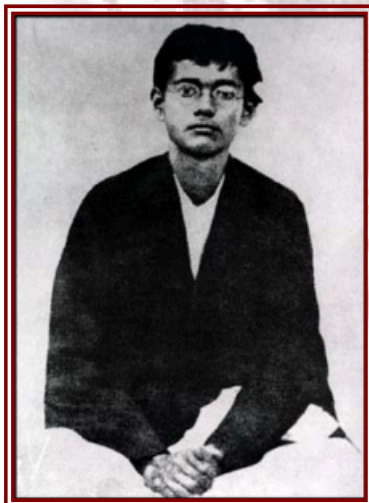




Every year 23rd January is celebrated as Subhas Bose's Birth Day all over India. Subash Chandra Bose also popularly called as *Netajee* (Respected Leader) was one of the most legendary figures of Indian freedom struggle. This Great son was born in a Hindu *Bengali Kayasth* family on January 23 1897 in Cuttack (*Odiya Bazar*) of Orissa. He was the 9th child among 14 of his advocate father Janaki Nath Bose and religious mother Pravabati Devi.

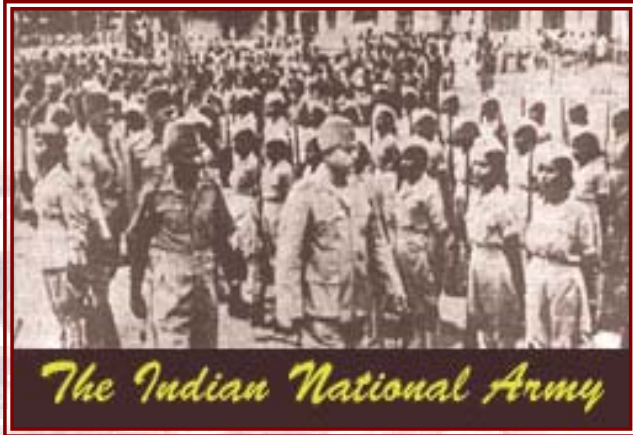


After reading so many incidents about the exploitation of the fellow Indians by the British, Subhas decided to fight against the British to make India free from all sorts of exploitation. At the age of 5 he joined an Anglo school, Cuttack until standard VI which is now known as Stewart School and then shifted to Ravenshaw Collegiate School of Cuttack. This brilliant scholar topped the matriculation examination of Calcutta province in 1911 and passed his B.A. in 1918 in Philosophy from the Scottish Church College of the University of Calcutta. He had also scored highest marks in Civil Service Examination. But he resigned the appointment with the premise that the "BEST WAY TO END A GOVERNMENT IS TO WITHDRAW FROM IT."



ROLE IN NATIONAL POLITICS

Netajee's role in India's national politics is highly praise-worthy. Bose was elected president of the Indian National Congress for two consecutive terms. He established a separate political party, the All India Forward Bloc and continued to call for the full and immediate independence of India from British rule. He was imprisoned by the British authorities eleven times. He stood for unqualified Swaraj



(independence), including the use of force against the British. He had taken an important role in Civil-disobedience Movement of India for which he was also arrested. After released from jail Bose was flown to Singapore and became commander of the Indian National Army (INA) and head of the Free India provisional government (*Arzi Hukumat-e-Azad Hind*).



During the Second World War in the year 1939 with Japanese assistance, he re-organised and INA against British forces. With Japanese monetary, political, diplomatic and military assistance, he formed the *Azad Hind* Government in exile, regrouped and led the

Indian National Army in battle against the allies at Imphal and in Burma.

NETAJEE'S POLITICAL VIEW

Unlike other freedom fighters Subhas Chandra Bose, was with the belief that the *Vedanta* and the *Bhagavad Gita* were the sources of inspiration for the struggle against the British. He was highly inspired by Swami Vivekananda's teachings on universalism, his nationalist thoughts and his emphasis on social service and reform from his very young days. Bose had clearly expressed his belief that democracy was the best option for India.



His famous motto was "GIVE ME BLOOD AND I WILL GIVE YOU FREEDOM". He was the writer of the famous book "THE INDIAN STRUGGLE". Though it is believed that this Great Indian Soil left his last in the year 1945 but he is still respected not only by all Indians but also by the whole world.

NETAJEE'S BIRTHDAY IN ORISSA

Every year Department of I & PR, Govt. of Orissa celebrates Netajee's birthday all over Orissa. This year from 23rd January much awaited light and sound show is going to be started at *Netajee* Subhas Bose Museum at Cuttack. This show is of 20 minutes based on *Netajee's* life which has been scripted by Mr. Bijay Mishra. Besides 12 existed galleries two more galleries will be inaugurated on this day. One will be *Azad Hind* Radio and the other will be *Azad Hind* Bank which was started by Netajee in 1942 and 1944 respectively.

*"Remain True To India, And Do Not For A Moment" Waiver In
Your
In India's Destiny"..... Subhas Chandra Bose*