

J.B.Kripalani

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Why is in news? PM pays tributes to Acharya Kripalani on his Jayanti

He was born on **11 November 1888 in Hyderabad**, **Sindh**. He was an independence activist, Indian politician and an Educationist.

His original name was Jivatram Bhagwandas Kripalani but was popularly known as Acharya Kripalani.

He earned the moniker '**Acharya'** around 1922 when he was teaching at the **Gujarat Vidyapith**, founded by the Mahatma a couple of years before.

He was actively involved in movements like Non-Cooperation Movement, Quit India Movement, and Salt Satyagraha.

He was the **President** of Indian National Congress (INC) at the time of independence.

He served in the Interim Government of India (1946–1947) and the Constituent Assembly of India.

He became one of the founders of the Kisan Mazdoor Praja Party (KMPP) after independence leaving congress.

Kripalani was well-known as a Gandhian and a socialist & was a harsh critic of both Jawaharlal Nehru and Indira Gandhi.

Kripalani moved the **first-ever No confidence motion in Lok Sabha in 1963**, immediately after the India-China War.

He along with Vinoba Bhave, was involved in in preservation and conservation activities throughout the 1970s.

He was married to **Sucheta Kripalani, India's first woman Chief Minister**, who led Uttar Pradesh from 1963 to 1967. She remained in Congress after Independence.

He was arrested during Emergency in 1975 and My Times, his autobiography published posthumously in 2004.