



Vivekananda Rock Memorial & Vivekananda Kendra

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When the whole country was busy with enthusiastic preparations for the celebration of the Centenary Year of Swami Vivekananda, Shri Eknathji Ranade compiled as his own personal homage to the great patriot-saint the book "Rousing Call to Hindu Nation" which was published in January 1963.

Chronology of Eknathji's Life

19.11.1914

Born at Timtala, Amaravati District Maharashtra.

1920

Came to Nagpur: Had primary education in Pradanavisapura School.

1926

Joined RSS(Ratriya Swayam Sevak Sangh) as a Swayamsevak

1932

Passed Matriculation examination from New English High School, Nagpur.

1938

Passed B.A. (Hons.) in Philosophy (equal to M.A.)

1938

Become a Pracharak of RSS at Jabalpur.

1946

Passed L.L.B. From LAW collage, Jabalpur. Prant Pracharak of Mahakoshal and Madhya Bharat.

1948

Went underground during the ban on RSS. Also worked from lifting of the ban. Held negotiations with Saradar Vallabhbai Patel and others.

1949

Was in Jail for about a month.

1950

Kshetra Pracharak for Poorvanchal Kshetra comprising Bengal, Orissa, and Assam. Did outstanding work for the refugees coming from Pakistan by establishing a very effective "Vastuhara Sahayata Samiti".

1953

Akhil Bharatiya Prachar Pramukh.

1962

All india Baudhik Pramukh of RSS.

17.01.1963

Compiled "Rousing call to Hindu Nation" , containing the thoughts of Swami Vivekananda, on the eve of his birth centenary.

18.08.1963

Organising Secretary of Vivekananda Rock Memorial Committee.

1972

Founded "Vivekananda Kendra"- a Spiritually Oriented Service Mission.

1973

Founded Editor of "Yuva Bharati", "Kendra Bharati", "Vivekananda Kendra Patrika". Editor of revived "Brahmavadin".

28.05.1975

General Secretary of Vivekananda Kendra.

1978

President of Vivekananda Kendra.

1982

President of Vivekananda Kendra International.

22.08.1982

Nirvana at Madras.

23.08.1982

Cremated at Vivekanandapuram, Kanyakumari.

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Freed from attachment, non-egoistic, endowed with courage and enthusiasm and unperturbed by success or failure, the worker is known as a pure(Sattvika) one. Four outstanding and essential qualities of a social worker are enunciated in the verse.

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