

Suheldev to Birsa: How PM saluted ‘unsung heroes’

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PM Narendra Modi's address at the closing ceremony of the year-long celebrations of 400th birth anniversary of Ahom commander Lachit Barphukan marked a continuation of his government's efforts to honour the heroes whose contributions haven't received due recognition in the pages of Indian history.

There are numerous examples in the recent past, when the PM ensured that such unsung heroes are given due importance, respect and promotion, for the benefit of youngsters and society at large.

A few examples include the PM's presence at a public programme 'Mangarh Dham ki Gaurav Gatha' where he paid homage to Bhil freedom fighter Shri Govind Guru.

He unveiled the 108-feetlong bronze statue of Sri Nadaprabhu Kempegowda in Bengaluru which commemorates the contribution of Nadaprabhu Kempegowda, the founder of the city.

In July this year, Modi launched the year-long 125th birth anniversary celebration of legendary freedom fighter Alluri Sitarama Raju in Bhimavaram, Andhra Pradesh.

In June this year, he inaugurated 'Kranti Gatha', a newly created 'Gallery of Indian Revolutionaries' inside the underground British — era bunker at Raj Bhavan in Mumbai. The bunker was discovered below Raj Bhavan in 2016.

In November, 2021, the PM inaugurated Bhagwan Birsa Munda Museum in Ranchi. Under his vision, ten museums, cherishing the memories of tribal freedom fighters from various states, are also being constructed across the country.

In February, 2021, Modi laid the foundation stone of Maharaja Suheldev Memorial in Bahraich, UP. In February, 2019, he laid the foundation stone of 'Battles of Panipat Museum' in Panipat to honour the heroes of the various battles there.