

CM EXTENDS GOA REVOLUTION DAY GREETINGS

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Chief Minister, Dr. Pramod Sawad has extended his warm wishes to the people of Goa on the historic occasion of Goa Revolution Day, celebrated as 'Kranti Din' in the State. This day has a special significance in the history of Goa's freedom struggle movement.

In his message, Dr. Sawant said, "The Goa Revolution Day has special importance for Goans. It was on this day, in 1946, Goans staged an open but peaceful revolt against the atrocities enacted on them by the Portuguese colonial regime. On 18th June 1946, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia along with Dr. Julião Menezes, with his fearless speeches against the repressive colonial rule, manifested the courage of Goans, to fight against the Portuguese regime.

The spark which was lit by Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia at Margao marked the final stage of the freedom movement that culminated into the Liberation of Goa. It gave courage to the thousands of Goans to come together and oppose the dictatorial rule, which liberated Goa on 19 December, 1961 after 450 years of Portuguese rule.

CM further said, "The Goa Revolution Day marked the last phase of the freedom movement in which thousands of Goans participated voluntarily. This period had witnessed an era of supreme sacrifice by the freedom fighters. Many embraced martyrdom, and thousands of others went through untold hardships and deportation".

"This is the occasion to remember, salute and pay homage to the sacrifice and bravery of respected martyrs who laid their life for the freedom of Goa. I pay my humble tribute to the martyrs and freedom fighters. Let us join hands together and strive to protect the hard earned freedom by rededicating ourselves to achieve greater progress," CM concluded.

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