Biography of Savarkar, Post 1: Childhood

Savarkar in 1901

Vinayak Damodar Savarkar was born on May 28, 1883, at 10 p.m. at Bhagur, a village near Nasik, India. Characteristics that epitomized him were his from the earliest childhood:

· bold and daring with a magnetic personality and progressive ideas far, far beyond the times

· voracious reader with a profound knowledge and grasp of worldwide history (even ancient history of Babylonia)

· born poet and orator (talents which he consciously honed)

· detested the birth-based caste system, socialized with friends from lower classes and enjoyed hospitality at each other's homes

· filled with national pride for his country and heritage and a burning desire to restore honor to his beloved country (even wrote a much-acclaimed article *Glory of Hindustan* in his junior high-school year and organized a protest against Muslim riots at nine years of age.)

- Anurupa