

## **HISTORY OF AKHIL BHARTIYA KSHATRIYA MAHASABHA**

Akhil Bhartiya Kshatriya Mahasabha was founded on 19 October 1897 by Raja Balwant Singh Ji Avagarj in coordination with Thakur Umrao Singh Ji of Kotla and Raja Uday Pratap Singh ji of Bhainga to create a platform to promote the cause of Kshatriya all over India. Prior to this, Ramdal was founded (16 May 1857) and Kshatriya Hitkarini Sabha was founded in 1861. Rajput monthly (20 February 1898) and Rajput Gazette etc. were launched. In the field of education a number of educational institutions in Varanasi, Awagarh, Jodhpur, Rajkot, Ajmer, Lahore, Raipur and indore etc. were set up. In the field of social upliftment effective coordination between thousands of Kshatriya Organizations across the Taluka and State level was done. The ABKM strives to establish a meaningful rapport with all other organizations spread around the world under the dynamic leadership of its National President Mahender Singh Tanwar and National Office bearers of ABKM.

Maharaja Dr. Digvijay Singh Wankaner, Former Union Minister was appointed National Working President in 1988 and National President in 1989 after the death of Maharawal Laxman Singh Dungarpur.

The centenary celebration of ABKM was held on 19 October 1997 at Lal Kila Maidan Delhi under the dynamic leadership of Maharaja Dr. Digvijay Singh Wankaner, who alongwith national office bearers travelled widely throughout country and under his leadership two nation wide Rath Yatras from Jammu to Kanyakumari and Kanyakumari to Delhi covering 70 thousand Kilometers throughout India from 19 October 2010 to 13 March 2011 and 09 August 2017 to 19 November 2017 were launched, demanding reservation on economic basis rather than on caste basis which were widely welcomed everywhere throughout India. As a result of which 10 percent reservation on economic basis to five General castes including Ratputs was given by Haryana Govt. in the year 2012 and 10 percent reservation on economic basis was given by the Govt. of India after Second Nationwide Rath Yatra in 2017. A Nationwide movement against Jodha Akbar TV serial and film Rani Padmawati were launched throughout country. Due to which a FIR under section 307 etc. IPC was registered on 17 July 2013 at Police Station Sector 11, Chandigarh against Mahender Singh Tanwar National Working

President and five others. Later on another FIR No. 142 under section 148, 149, 332, 352, 353, 427 of IPC was registered on 18 August 2013 against Thakur Mahender Singh Tanwar, the then National Working President and 20 other persons at Parliament Street Police station Delhi and the above mentioned case is still pending in Patiala House Court, Delhi.

Thereafter, a number of successful meetings were arranged by Mahender Singh Tanwar, National President and National office bearers at Delhi (2017), Jaisalmer Rajasthan (23 August 2018), 19 December 2018 Barvai birth place of Shahid Ram Parshad Bishnoi, National Executive at Awagarh Fort and Agra, Convention at Shakarpur Delhi (15 December 2022), Patna, Hazipur etc. in Bihar, Kodarma Hazaribagh, Jhumri Telaiya, Ramgarh, Ranchi and Jamshedpur (Jharkhand) (14 March 2019 to 18 March 2019), Press conference at Press Club Kolkata on 19 March 2019, Arawal Nagar Bihar 28 April 2019, Maharana Pratap Jayanti at Goa on 8-9 August 2019 and Depalpur, Madhya Pradesh on 25 August 2019. 88<sup>th</sup> Birthday of H.H. Maharaja Dr. Digvijay Singh Wankaner was celebrated by Akhil Bhartiya Mahasabha throughout country on 20 August 2020.

To strengthen the organization in South India Mahender Singh Tanwar National President, A.P. Singh Advocate, Supreme Court, National Vice-President, Shantunu Singh Chauhan National Working President Youth, Rana Harender Singh Punjab etc. held a number of meetings at Chennai, Tamil Nadu (21 June 2019), Pondicherry (22 June 2019 at Cosmo Politian Club), Chennai (23 June 2019) and Hyderabad, Telangana (24, 25 June 2019), Nation Executive at MLA Hostel Chandigarh (24, 25 August 2019), Solan, Himachal Pradesh (16 July 2019), Rajgarh, Himachal Pradesh (24 September 2019). A national convention at Shakarpur Delhi (10 November 2019), Where Maharaja Dr. Karan Singh, Former Union Minister and Maharaja Raghubir Singh Sirohi and Maharani Jaisalmer graced the occasion, Native village of Shahid Ram Parshad Bismil (27 January 2020), Hathras, Uttar Pradesh (10 October 2020), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu (3 January 2021) U.T. Pondicherry (05 January 2021), Mahabalipuram Tamil Nadu (6 January 2021), Annual convention of Kshatriya Yuvak Sangh at Jaipur 15 March 2020, the day govt. of India declared lockdown due to

Covid-19 throughout Country. During this period a number of zoom meetings at the National State and local level were held (14 January 2021 to 31 January 2021) International Digital Online Rajput Yuvak Yuvti Parichaya Program was arranged at Indore by Sh. Vijay Singh Parihar, National Vice-President. Similarly, Yuvak Yuvti Parichaya Sammelan is held every year at Ujjain Madhya Pradesh under the dynamic leadership of Sh. Anil Singh Chandel, National General Secretary ABKM. Davender Singh Darshi, Chairman Rajput Kalyan Board was welcomed at Pathankot Punjab on 28 February 2021. Meeting at Faridabad regarding distortion of Kshatriya history on 02 August 2021. Press conferences were held at Noida, Chandigarh and Shimla for the same purpose.

Sh. Mahender Singh Tanwar, the then National working President was unanimously elected as National President of Akhil Bhartiya Kshatriya Mahasabha at Jairam Ashram, Ashram Chowk, New Delhi. Dusshera Sammelan At Aligarh on 09 October 2021 under the dynamic leadership of Shelender Singh. Annual Convention of ABKM at Shahzapur Madhya Pradesh on 31 October 2021, where Surinder Singh Shera MLA and Rajwardhan Singh Narsinghgar, MLA and Maharaj R.S. Sirohi graced the occasion. Mahender Singh Tanwar National President held press conference and meetings at Patna and Darbhanga and later on again on 24 April 2022 at Sepol (Singh Garjana Rally), Darbhanga etc. for the release of Sh. Anand Mohan Singh, Former Member of Parliament and Former National Vice-President of ABKM, who is in jail (Bihar) for more than 14 years.

125<sup>th</sup> founding day of ABKM was celebrated at Amar Palace, Ludhiana by Sh. Dimple Rana, President, ABKM, Punjab. Hon'ble K.P.S. Rana Speaker Punjab, H.H. Maharaja R.S. Sirohi and Mahender Singh Tanwar, National President and National office bearers were present on that occasion. Punya tithi of Raja Vikramaditya Tomar at Panipat (20 April 2021 and 20 April 2022). Maharana Pratap Jayanti as Samrasta Diwas was celebrated at Amar Palace Ludhiana by Sh. Dimple Rana, President, Punjab on 29 May 2022. Hon'ble Rana K.P. Singh, Lord Daljit Singh, Maharaja Sirohi and Mahender Singh Tanwar and many national leaders graced the occasion. Maharana Pratap Jayanti as Samrasta Diwas Law Bhawan Chandigarh on 02 June

2022 by ABKM, U.T. Chandigarh K.P.S. Rana Former Speaker, Punjab, Lord Daljit Singh, Ratan Lal Katariya, Mahender Singh Tanwar and member Parliament and many national leaders graced the occasion. Chintan Shivir of ABKM at Shimla Himachal Pradesh was held from 24 June 2022 to 26 June 2022, in which it was decided to launch third nationwide Rath Yatra from Jammu to Kanyakumari and Kanyakumari to Delhi on 09 August 2022.

Third Nationwide Rathyatra demanding reservation on economic basis rather than on caste basis and to bring Samajik Samrasta and to stop distortion of history of great national leaders etc. was launched on 09 August 2022 from Amar Kshatriya Sabha Jammu to Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttrakhand, Chandigarh, U.P., Haryana, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Orissa, West Bengal, Jharkhand and Bihar and Delhi via Uttar Pradesh. This Rath Yatra covering above mentioned states concluded in a Vishal Sammelan at Mahatma Gandhi Sadan Near Rajghat Delhi on 07 October 2022 under the presidencyship of Mahender Singh Tanwar, National President of ABKM, which was attended by Prominent Kshatriya Leaders. Dusshera Sammelan was held at Aligarh on 09 October 2022 by Sh. Shailender Singh, in which H.H. Maharaja Raghubir Singh Sirohi, Chief Guest, Mahender Singh Tanwar, National President and a number of MLA and prominent Kshatriyas were present.

The second phase of Third Nationwide Rath Yatra started on 24 December 2022 from Hyderabad, Tilangana covering Andhra Pradesh, U.T. Pondicherry, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Goa from 24 December 2022 to 03 January 2023. Important photographs are attached.