



### Interesting Facts About Dr. Vikram Sarabhai on his 100th Birth Anniversary-GK Notes in PDF

Vikram Ambala Sarabhai – Father of Indian Space Research, was a great Physicist, and Industrialist. He was a man much ahead of his time. It was him who initiated the space research and pioneered the nuclear power development in India. Learning these interesting facts about Vikram Sarabhai will help you score well in various government exams like SBI PO, IBPS RRB, RBI Grade B, SSC CGL, SSC CPO, Railways ALP, Railways Group D & more. Let's take a look on his life journey and remember him on his 100th birth anniversary.

### A Glance on Early Life of Vikram Sarabhai

- Vikram Sarabhai was born in the year **1919**, **August 12** Ahmadabad, India to an affluent Gujrati family who had several businesses in the textile industry.
- He persuaded his primary education in Gujarat, after which he moved to England to pursue a degree in natural science in the University of Cambridge.
- Vikram Sarabhai had to forcefully return India due to World War II. Meanwhile, he did research in cosmic rays under the supervision of physicist Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman at IIS (Indian Institute of Science) Bangalore.
- After the world war, he went back to Cambridge to pursue Ph.D. He wrote a thesis based on the "Cosmic Ray Investigations in Tropical Latitudes", in the year 1947.

#### Vikram Sarabhai - Career

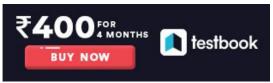
- Vikram Sarabhai came to India with a doctorate and established the Physical Research Laboratory (PRL) in Ahmadabad, India in the year 1947.
- K. R. Ramanathan who was an atmospheric scientist and a founding director of PRL. Under his able guidance, the institute became the leading research organizations in the field of cosmic research and space science.
- Sarabhai was the founder and director of IIM Ahmedabad (Indian Institute of Management) in the country.
- He was the man behind the Centre for Environmental Planning and Technology University (CEPT University) in Ahmedabad in the year 1962, that specializes in offering courses like planning, architecture, and technology.
- Sarabhai also founded the Nehru Foundation for Development (NFD) which focus on Study of Current Problem of Societal and Individual Development.
- He also established Vikram A Sarabhai Community Science Centre in the 60s for making masses aware of the importance of science and mathematics education.











• Sarabhai with the help of Dr. Homi Bhabha, who was the leader in the field of nuclear research in India created the first rocket launching station situated at Thumba on the coast of Arabian Sea.

#### **Awards**

- Vikram Sarabhai received two most honorable awards of the country The Padma Bhushan and Padma Vibhushan for his visionary work in the space science research.
- He passed away on December 30th, 1971 in Kovalam, Kerala.

This great personality inspires us to believe that we can make our dreams into reality with focus and determinations. So, set the goal right and believe you can achieve it. All the very best for your exam preparation and gain great success!

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