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Today marks the 164th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore, the towering figure whose literary genius redefined Bangla literature, music, and the cultural identity of the Indian subcontinent through his embrace of contextual modernism.

Tagore was born on 25 Baishakh, 1268 in the Bengali calendar (May 7, 1861) at the Jorasanko mansion in Kolkata. A poet, philosopher, playwright, and painter, Tagore remains one of the most influential cultural figures of South Asia.

In 1913, he became the first Asian to be awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature for *Gitanjali*, a collection of deeply spiritual and lyrical poems that brought him international acclaim.

Tagore's literary corpus is vast, encompassing short stories like *Kabuliwala* and *Postmaster*, novels

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