

**Rabindranath Tagore** রবীন্দ্রনাথ ঠাকুর  
7 May 1861 – 7 August 1941  
Born in the Jorasanko mansion in Calcutta



Tagore was an Indian Poet, philosopher and an artist. He wrote many stories, novels, poems and dramas and is referred to as "the Bard of Bengal", the Shakespeare of India. He is also very well known for composing music. His writings greatly influenced Bengali culture during the late 19th century and early 20th century. In 1913, he was the first Asian ever to win the Nobel Prize in Literature.

Tagore wrote the national anthems for India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka and there are eight museums to celebrate his life and work; three in India and five in Bangladesh.

On 25 March 2004, Tagore's Nobel Prize was stolen from the safety vault of the Visva-Bharati University, along with several other of his belongings. In 2016, a baul singer named Pradip Bauri accused of sheltering the thieves was arrested and the prize was returned

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