Context

The Prime Minister paid tribute to Acharya Shri Mahapragyaji on the occasion of the seer’s birth centenary today.

About Shri Mahapragyaji

- Acharya Shri Mahapragya(14 June 1920 – 9 May 2010) was the tenth head of the Svetambar Terapanth order of Jainism.
- Mahapragya was a saint, yogi, spiritual leader, philosopher, author, orator, and poet.
- He began his life of religious reflection and development as a Jain monk at the age of ten.
- Mahapragya played a major role in Anuvrat movement launched by his Guru Acharya Tulsi in 1949, and became the acknowledged leader of the movement in 1995.
- Acharya Mahapragya formulated the well organized Preksha meditation system in the 1970s, and developed the “Science of Living” education system which is a practical approach for the balanced development of a student and his character building.
- Acharya Shri has written over 300 books in Sanskrit, Hindi, Gujarati, English on these subjects like spirituality, philosophy, psychology and economics.
- “The Family and The Nation” which was written by Mahapragya Ji along with Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Ji.

Quotes of Shri Mahapragyaji (for Essay)

1. “If you Leave ‘Me and Mine’ in Your Lives, then the Whole World Will Be Yours”.
2. ”Healthy person, healthy society, healthy economy”
3. ‘Soul is my God, sacrifice is my prayer, friendship is my devotion, moderation is my strength, and non-violence is my religion'