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Do u know how unsung true heroes look like? I discovered them recently. See the picture attached! #Nagas ■ #Thread My humble attempt to bring to u all what I found about them. It's time we place our gratitude & reclaim our true history,which is definitely not Moghal 1/15

When we see #Sadhus Either we feel scared or think they r beggars. There has been a gradual brain washing to believe that Sadhus or Babas cannot be trusted Blame #Bollywood or past Govt for not teaching the history right But fact is we have largely being ignorant about them 2/15

#Nagas especially instill either fear or dark fascination
However, its far from truth
Naga basically means mountain
So these sadhus live in akharas situated there
Only during Kumbh Melas they come out
Reason?
During 1st att@ck of Md Ghouri, Nagas surrounded his army in
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#Kurukshetra Ghouri's arm was cüt in Tarawadi Pleased, Prithvi Raj Chauhan gave right of 1st holy dip in #Kumbh To Nagas

Nagas are different from #Aghoris However both are #Shaivites, that is worship Shiva

When a person decides to join as Naga his tenacity, brahmacharya

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disciplined meditation, sannyas & loyalty to religion are examined in a major way.

It takes 6 mos to 12 yrs.

If the Arena decides that it has been worth the initiation then it is taken to the next process He makes his Shraddha, Mundan, & Pindada,kept in the Sanyas religion 5/15

By taking Guru mantra His 5 gurus are Punch Dev or Punch God (Shiva, Vishnu, Shakti, Sun and Ganesha) saffron & rudraksha are symbols & ornaments of Nagas

They have to observe complete celibacy,not just of body but mind & soul Also observer severe penance to elevate above 6/15

Body pains & pleasures Except the defence of Dharma, there is no other goal of Nagas They can eat only once, asking in 7 houses, if they get food or stay hungry Sleep on floors strictly

Some Akharas accept female sadhus too Rules are exactly same except they wrap a 7/15

Cloth around them, even during holy dip. The ash on the body signifies that worldly body is mortal Absence of clothes signify the abstain from worldly pleasure, braving heat & cold

They r also trained in using <u>@rms</u> & martial arts While other religions it's seen as normal 8/15

For Nagas, it worked to terrify people, although they r deeply spiritual

They r then made Avdhootas Perform pinda daan, & declared de@d to the world People from all #Varna Can become Nagas Coming to #History If u can see ur ancient Temples, or practice Hinduism 9/15 Celebrate the victory do great Kings, first thank a Sadhu, more specifically a Naga Sadhu ♥■

* Taimur Lung was k!lled by Nagas near Haridwar when he wanted to plunder it
*Timur Lung, who no Indian King could defeat was forced to escape by Nagas
*Peshwa MadhavRao invaded
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Afghanistan to avenge #Panipat ,where Nagas had already k!lled the helpers of Abdali

*1757 Gokul, was invaded by Ahmad Shah Anjali Hindu #Jats under resistance of Jawahar Singh ji fought with valour but 10,000 men lost lives Next was #Vrindavan Thousands of women flung 11/15

Themselves in river to escape r@pe from #Afghans Mid 17th century, bands of Sadhus merged into larger group Even when Abdali directed all his strength to fight them,no one could match up with the holy men fighting to save their Dharma Sardar Jahat Khan called retreat 12/15

* In 1664 Aur@ngzeb was defeated badly near Gyan Vapi well by Nagas of #Mahanirvani akhara, Varanasi He may have been glorified as the great Conquerer but

James G.Lochtefeld's book The illustrated Encyclopedia of Hinduism, Vol 1 Mentions that he may or may not have been 13/15

In the w@r but his army was badly defeated His att@ck in 1669 could have been mostly for punishing the rebellions.

This is the History we need to learn! Which we r largely unaware of! Just bcoz the Sadhus are focussed only on #Karma, without expecting anything 14/15

In return,we have let them down. We fail to give them the due respect they deserve! It's time #Hindus unite against propaganda & forces breaking India Learn, Regroup to reclaim! I may hav missed few points, as I am not an expert These are concise snippets of what I read ■ 15/15