

Modern Indian History Class 28

7th January, 2024 at 9:00 AM

THE CLASS STARTED (IN CONTINUATION) AT: (09:01 AM):

MONTAGUE-CHEMLSFORD REFORMS/GOI ACT 1919: (09:03 AM):

- **1) Reasons:**
- **1. a) Narrative of democracy at the rate of World War I.**
- **1. b) Indians fought for Self Govt. in Europe and therefore desired self-government. in India.**
- **1. c) Pressure of the INM, Gadar (1913-1915), Home Rule Leagues, Lucknow Pact (1916).**
- **2) Features:**
- **2. a) CLA and COS for the British India.**
- **2. b) Narendra Mandal/Chamber of Princes created as an advisory body of 565 Princely States) as a reward for the support in WWI.**
- **2. c) (First) Elected Majority: CLA, COS, PLA 1909: only non-officers majority @PLC.**
- **2. d) (First) direct elections in COS, CLA, and PLA.**
- **2. e) Right to Vote linked with income (like 1909).**
- **2. f) (Right) Right to Vote for Women (due to efforts of Sarojini Naidu).**
- **2. g) Separate electorates for Muslims, Sikhs, Anglo-Indians, and Christians (1909: Muslims).**
- **2. h) (First) For depressed classes reservation of nominated seats in CLA, COS, and PLAs (not elected seats).**
- **2. i) For federalism subjects divided between Centre and Provinces but not federal distribution (1935).**
- **Budgetary Measures:**
- **The Provincial Budget was separated from the Central Budget for the first time and the sources of the revenue were divided (LR to provinces; Customs, Income taxes to the Centre).**
- **The Viceroy Executive Council was not responsible for the Legislative Council, the Viceroy could Veto bills.**
- **Power to reject the bill, ordinance power, power to restore Cuts in Grants.**
- **The whole Budget was not voteable additionally 75% of the items of the Budget were not voteable.**
- **Taxation without representation.**

- Adjournment motions allowed 3/8 of the members of the Viceroy Council to be Indian. (Viceroy Council= GG, CIC, in this 3 Indians).
- Dyarchy at the rate provinces, and subjects divided into Reserved, Transferred.
- Reserved Subjects: Laws by the Governor and the officers, executive powers with the Governor and officers.
- Transferred Subjects: Laws by PLA, ministers responsible to PLA.
- Ministers of reserved subjects are not responsible to the PLA.
- Therefore, partially responsible government.
- Reserved is equal to Politically important eg Law and Order, Finance, LR, and Control over the officers.
- Transferred equal to health, education, local govt., agriculture.
- The goal was to hurt the popularity of the Indian ministers as wouldn't be able to work as no control over finances.
- If failure of the Constitutional machinery then the Governor could take the executive and legislative powers of transferred subjects.
- Ministers from PLA could be overruled by the Governor in any matter.
- INM leaders were unhappy because no Universal Adult Franchise, dissatisfactory division of subject @centre and provinces and reserved/transferred.
- No responsible govt at the Centre and only a partially responsible govt in the Provinces.
- Provinces allocated the Seats in CLA, and COS not as per the population but as importance e.g. military importance of Punjab, and the commercial importance of Bombay.
- GOI 1919, did not bring the Self Government (but greater than the limited self govt of 1909).

MAHATMA GANDHI IN SOUTH AFRICA: (10:10 AM):

- (Cover the topic from the handouts).

THREE PROJECTS OF MAHATMA GANDHI: (11:30 AM):

- **1) Champaran Satyagraha:**
- **Grievances:** Issues with the teenkathiya system,
- **Gandhi violated the administrative orders to leave Champaran.**
- **Results:**
- **Inquiry Committee (link Arbitration)**
- **Champaran Agrarian Act of 1918:**
- **2) The Ahmedabad Mill Strike was the First Hunder Strike.**
- **Grievance:** The workers' Plague Bonus was discontinued by the mill owners.
- **MG began a hunger strike demanding a 35% wage increase.**
- **Result:**
- **An Arbitration Board was established which led to a 27.5% increase.**
- **Laid a foundation of the Working Class Movement in Ahmedabad e.g. Textile Labor Association, 1920.**
- **3) Khera Satyagraha 1918 was the First Non-Cooperation.**
- **Grievance:** Ryots are entitled to lower Land Revenue in case of failure of the crop but the govt. still demanded full revenue.
- **MG asked Ryots to withhold land revenue payment.**
- **Result:**
- **Finally, govt. asked only those who could pay.**

TOPICS OF THE NEXT CLASS:Rowlatt Satyagraha, etc.