

The Battle of Plassey

- A battle between the Nawabs and the English was inevitable.

Battle period : The Battle of Polashi was fought on 23rd June 1757 AD near the town of Polashi in Bengal. The British East India Company army, led by Robert Clive, defeated an Indian army twice its size.

Causes of war :

1. Reasons for not sending the gift to king
2. Reformation of fort by British despite the prohibition of the Nawab.
3. The English abused the trade conditions.
4. Asylum of Krishnadas by English
5. Confidential agreement between Mirzafor and Clive
6. Conspiracy against Nawab

Conspirator :

Mir Zafar, the Commander-in-Chief of the Nawab absented himself from taking part in the battle.

Event of Palassey:

Battle Took place in the mango orchard of Palassey on the bank of Bhagirothi.

Result : Nawab was defeated.

Why did Siraj lose the battle?

Treachery and non-cooperation by the army chief of the Nawab.

Young Nawab was deficient of experience, prudence, intelligence and steadiness.

He depended on Mir Zafar after knowing about conspiracy.

Did not evaluate warning of Alivardi Khan about the conspiracy of English and French

Consequences of Battle of Palassey

After the Battle of Plassey, India's economy suffered, and the British enforced strict rules for tax collection in Bengal. The British took control of trade, causing Bengal, once prosperous, to face hunger, famine, and deprivation.

Battle of Polashi (Significance)

The Battle of Plassey is important because it started British rule in India. Before, the British were only trading there. After the battle, they started taking over more land until they ruled all of India.