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1 | **Qing in the 1500s, But also other things**

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- Akbar's rule of the Mughals

    - Tried to align his subject's interests to the Mughal's interest
    - Goal was to maintain adequate compensation and preventing officials form unjust enrichment by overtaxing the peasants who could then not work on government projects
        - Directed administration to award land revenue salary instead of assigning land
        - Value of government official based on cost w.r.t. operating military men
            - a local commander = 500 men
            - a provincial government = 5000 men
        - First model of separation of powers between government and military
        - Prevented financial corruptiona
            - Made constant transfers and deferrals
            - Prevented passing on of wealth to offspring
        - His minister, Todar Mal, made tax collection proportional to value generation
            - So bad crop year could pay less tax
            - Prevented overluxuriation and benefitted peseants
    - Favored appointement of native born over foreign — due to pledges of loyalty to Mughal state: promoting religious indignity

- CLAIM: Melded together Mughal and indigenous elites

    - Encouraged intermarriage
    - Reformes aimed at selling Mughal to other people
    - All official appointments are treated as gifts from the emperor
    - Gave grants to Muslim and Hindu cultural institutions
    - Supported the arts and sciences

- Akbar made empire popular by pimping it up

    - Improved living quaters
    - Regulation of school
    - System of laws
    - Challenged the patriarchy and improved the role of woman
    - Discouraged child marriages and encouraged remarrying of widowns

- Intended all of his social reform to support his object of *sulh-i-kul* => universal harmony. (Not a fan of *raison d'etat, I see*)

- The Porchuguese

    - Acted as middlemen between Venitians, Arabs, and Turks
        - Traded spices and cotton
        - Served as foundation of Western medicines
        - De Gama's Explorations
            - Invaded port of good hope in Africa
                - Disguised as Muslim traders

- When about to be kicked out, fought and burned the city
  - Zamorin also got scammed by de Gama too
    - Convinced that he was a pirate
    - Did not drive off, and permitted to trade
    - Kidnapped some local fishermen for crew along the way
  - Evenutally, setup a larger network of trade

- Mughals saw the Porchuguese, and wanted to curtail them

  - Resorted to a model of compromise => "Gave free passage to ships in exchange for pilgrims on their way to Mecca
  - Porchuguese, Dutch, and English collectively tried te "interfere in international shiping
    - Seisure of a ship by practicing Hindu
  - Mughals eventually partnered with english and dutch to try to curtail the porchuguese and create competiton
  - English and Dutch both adopted the porchuguese model
  - Mugals tried to create strategic partnership with European cultures
    - Ordered christian symbolism to be painted
    - Europeans impressed with Mugal style that Mogul became associated with power

- Aurangzeb's rule

  - Orthodox muslim
    - Took religious values over tradition
    - Dismaltiled Mughal's multicultralism
      - Banned music and dance
      - Enforced islam codes of pubilc conduct via censors
      - Halt constructions of new Hindu temples
      - Attack established structuers
      - Reimposed the jizya payment in leu of state service that is demanded from non-muslims
      - Enforced system of jizya payments that had to be done while chanting about inferoity
      - Opposed appointing hindus to highest ranks
  - Hindus and other non-muslim cultural icons lamented this
  - Shah Janan's army campaigns increased tax revenue to meet higher expectations
    - Hindu agricultural exploration fell hardest
    - Shivaji contradicted the Mughal court
      - Which means, he got quickly struck down
      - Escaped the court, and went to the Marathas
      - 1674-1680 started invading Mughals in gurilla campaigns
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