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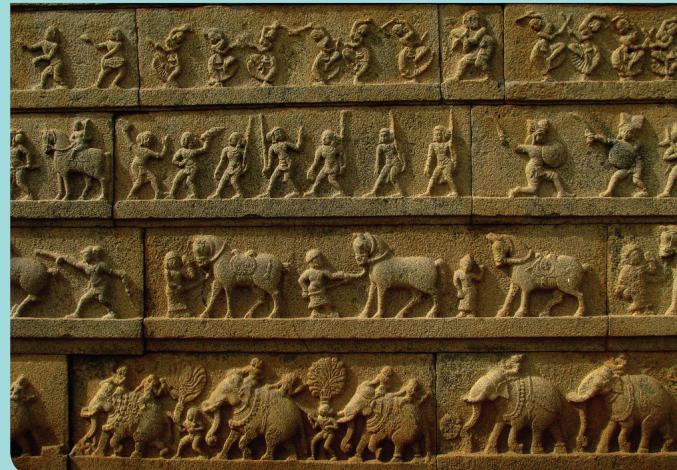
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## Unit -1

# Vijayanagar and Bahmani Kingdoms



### Learning Objectives

- ❖ To know the circumstances that led to the rise and expansion of Vijayanagar and Bahmani kingdoms
- ❖ To familiarise ourselves with the administration, military organisation and the economic life during the time of their reign
- ❖ To know the contribution of Vijayanagar and Bahmani rulers to literature art and architecture



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### Introduction

The political condition of India in the fourteenth century provided great opportunities for the rise of new kingdoms in the south. The repressive measures of the temperamental Muslim king Muhammad-bin-Tughlaq led to the rise of many new independent states. In the south, Vijayanagar and Gulbarga or Bahmani emerged as two great kingdoms. The Bahmani kingdom spread all over the Maharashtra region and partly over Karnataka. Ruled by 18 monarchs, it lasted for nearly 180 years. Early in the sixteenth century, it collapsed and split into five sultanates – Bijapur, Ahmednagar, Golconda, Bidar and Berar. The state of Vijayanagar continued to flourish for nearly

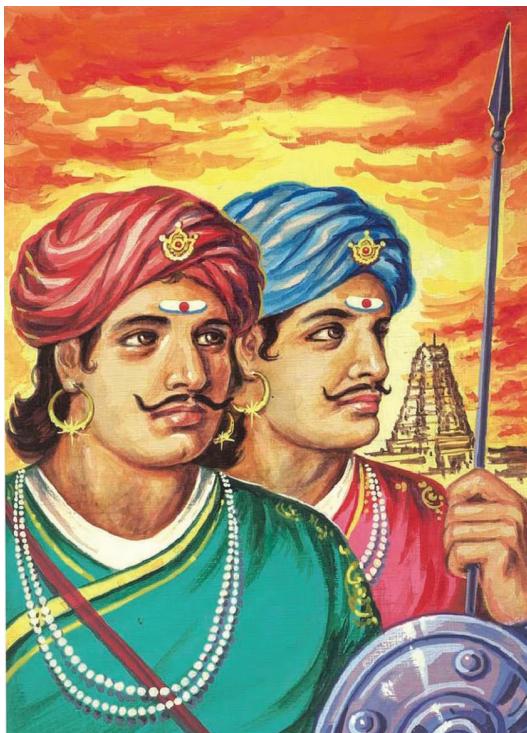
200 years. Ultimately Vijayanagar's wealth and prosperity induced the Muslim Deccan kingdoms to launch a combined war against it. In 1565, the battle of Talikota, finally they could succeed in crushing Vijayanagar Empire.

### Foundation of Vijayanagar Empire

Vijayanagara, the 'city of victory', was established in southern Karnataka by two brothers named Harihara and Bukka. According to one tradition, Vidyaranya, head of the Saivite Sringeri mutt, instructed them to abandon their service to the Tughluqs and rescue the country from Muslim authority. The new kingdom was called Vidyanagara for a time in honour of the spiritual teacher Vidyaranya, before it came to be called Vijayanagara. Four dynasties, namely



Sangama (1336–1485), Saluva (1485–1505), Tuluva (1505–1570) and Aravidu (1570–1646), ruled this kingdom.



Harihara and Bukka

The fertile regions between the rivers Krishna and Tungabhadra and the Krishna-Godavari delta were the zones of conflict among the rulers of Vijayanagar, Bahmani and Odisha. The valour of the first two brothers, Harihara and Bukka, of the Sangama dynasty protected the new kingdom from the superior forces of the Bahmani sultanate, which had been established about a decade after the foundation of Vijayanagara.

Bukka I's son Kumara Kampana ended the sultanate in Madurai and succeeded in establishing Nayak kingdom there. The conquest of the Madurai Sultanate by the Vijayanagara empire is described in detail in the poem *Madura Vijayam* composed by Kumara Kampana's wife Gangadevi.

## End of Sangama Dynasty

When King Bukka died, he had left behind a large territory to his son Harihara II to rule. Harihara II's impressive achievement was securing Belgaum and Goa from the Bahmani kingdom. Harihara's son Devaraya I defeated Gajapati kings of Odisha. His successor Devaraya II was the greatest ruler of the Sangama dynasty. He began the practice of recruiting Muslim fighters to serve him and to train him in the new methods of warfare.

## Rise of Saluva Dynasty

After Devaraya II, the Vijayanagar Empire went through a crisis. The able commander of the Vijayanagar army, Saluva Narasimha, making use of the situation declared himself the emperor, after murdering the last ruler of Sangama dynasty, Virupaksha Raya II. But the Saluva dynasty founded by Saluva Narasimha came to an end with his death. When Naras Nayaka, his able general, seized power, it ushered in the Tuluva dynasty.

## Krishnadevaraya

Krishnadevaraya who reigned for 20 years was the most illustrious rulers of the Tuluva dynasty. His first step after ascending the throne was to bring under control the independent chieftains in the Tungabhadra river basin. After succeeding in this effort, his next main target was Gulbarga. The Bahmani sultan, Mahmud Shah, had been overthrown and kept in imprisonment by his minister. Krishnadevaraya freed the sultan and restored him to the throne. Similarly, he forced a war on Prataparudra, the Gajapati ruler of Odisha. Prataparudra negotiated for peace and offered to marry off his daughter to him. Accepting



the offer, Krishnadevaraya returned the territory he had conquered from Prataparudra. Krishnadevaraya, with the assistance of the Portuguese gunners, could easily defeat the Sultan of Golconda and subsequently take over Raichur from the ruler of Bijapur.



Krishnadevaraya

## A Great Builder

Krishnadevaraya built huge irrigation tanks and reservoirs for harvesting rainwater. He built the famous temples of Krishnaswamy, Hazara Ramaswamy and Vithalaswamy in the capital city of Hampi. He distributed the wealth he gained in wars to all major temples of South India for the purpose of constructing temple gateways (gopura), called 'Rayagopuram,' in his honour.



Vithalaswamy Temple

He recruited a large army and built many strong forts. He imported large number of horses from Arabia and Iran, which came in ships to Vijayanagar ports on the west coast. He had good friendly relationship with the Portuguese and Arabian traders, which increased the Empire's income through customs.

## Patron of Literature, Art and Architecture

Krishnadevaraya patronised art and literature. Eight eminent luminaries in literature known as *astadiggajas* adorned his court. Alasani Peddana was the greatest of them all. Another notable figure was Tenali Ramakrishna.

## Battle of Talikota and the Decline of Vijayanagar

Krishnadevaraya was succeeded by his younger brother Achyuda Deva Raya. After the uneventful reigns of Achyuda Deva Raya and his successor Venkata I, Sadasiva Raya, a minor, ascended the throne. His regent Rama Raya, the able general of the kingdom, continued as a de facto ruler, even after Sadasiva Raya attained the age for becoming the king. He relegated Sadasiva Raya to a nominal king. In the meantime, the sultans of Deccan kingdoms succeeded in forming a league to fight the Vijayanagar Empire. The combined forces of the enemies met at Talikota in 1565. In the ensuing battle, known as Rakasa Tangadi (Battle of Talikota), Vijayanagar was defeated. There was terrible human slaughter and pillaging the capital city of Hampi. All the buildings, palaces and temples were destroyed. The beautiful carvings and sculptures were desecrated. The glorious Vijayanagar Empire had ceased to exist.



Hampi Virupaksha Temple

The site of the city of Vijayanagar on the bank of the river Tungabhadra in eastern Karnataka is now called Hampi. Hampi is in ruins and the UNESCO has declared it a heritage site.

## Aravidu Dynasty

Rama Raya was killed on the battlefield and his brother Tirumaladeva Raya managed to escape along with the king Sadashiva Raya. Tirumaladeva Raya moved to Chandragiri carrying all the treasures and wealth that could be salvaged. There he began the rule of Aravidu dynasty.

The Aravidu dynasty built a new capital at Penukonda and kept the empire intact for a time. Internal dissensions and the intrigues of the sultans of Bijapur and Golconda, however, led to the final collapse of the empire about 1646.

## Vijayanagar Administration

### State

Kingship was hereditary, based on the principle of primo geniture. But in some instances, the reigning rulers, in order to ensure peaceful succession, nominated their successors. There were also



instances of usurpation. Saluva Narasimha usurped the throne and it led to the replacement of Sangama dynasty with Saluva dynasty. The practice of appointing a regent to look after the administration, when a minor succeeded the throne, was also prevalent.

## Structure of Governance

The empire was divided into different *mandalam*s (provinces), *nadus* (districts), *sthala*s (taluk)s and finally into *gramas* (villages). Each province was administered by a governor called Mandalesvara. The lowest unit of the administration was the village. Each village had a grama sabha. Gauda, village headman, looked after the affairs of the village.

The army consisted of the infantry, cavalry and elephant corps. The army was modernised and Vijayanagar army began using firearms. The combination of firearm and cavalry made them one of the most feared armies in India.

## Economic Condition

The Vijayanagar Empire was one of the richest states then known to the world. Several foreign travellers, who visited the empire during the fifteenth and the sixteenth centuries, left behind glowing accounts of its splendour and wealth. The emperors issued a large number of gold coins called Varahas.



Gold Coins of Vijayanagar Empire



## Agriculture

It was the policy of its rulers to encourage agriculture in different parts of the empire by following a wise irrigation policy. Apart from the state, there were wealthy landholders and temples that invested in irrigation to promote agriculture. Abdur Razzaq, the visiting Persian emissary to Krishnadevaraya's Court, records the huge tank built with the help of Portuguese masons. Channels were constructed to supply water from the tank to different parts of the city. The city was well stocked with a variety of agricultural goods.

## Cottage Industries

Vijayanagar's agricultural production was supplemented by numerous cottage-scale industries. The most important of them were textile, mining and metallurgy. Crafts and industries were regulated by guilds. Abdur Razzaq, makes a reference to separate guild for each group of tradesmen and craftsmen.

## Trade

During the Vijayanagar Empire, inland, coastal and overseas trade flourished in goods such as silks from China, spices from the Malabar region and precious stones from Burma (Myanmar). Vijayanagar traded with Persia, South Africa, Portugal, Arabia, China, Southeast Asia and Sri Lanka.

## Contribution to Literature

Under the patronage of Vijayanagar rulers, religious as well as secular books were written in different languages such as Sanskrit, Telugu, Kannada and Tamil. Krishnadeva Raya wrote *Amuktamalyada*, an epic in Telugu and also a Sanskrit drama *Jambavati Kalyanam*. Tenali

Ramakrishna authored *Pandurangamahatyam*. Scholars like Srinatha, Pothana, Jakkama and Duggana translated Sanskrit and Prakrit works into Telugu.

*Amuktamalyada* is considered a masterpiece in Telugu literature. It relates the story of the daughter of Periazhvar, Goda Devi (Andal), who used to wear the garlands intended for Lord Ranganatha before they were offered to the deity, and hence the name Amuktamalyada who wears and gives away garlands.

## Contribution to Architecture

The temple building activity of the Vijayanagar rulers produced a new style called the Vijayanagara style. Prominence of pillars and piers, in large numbers, and the manner in which they were sculptured are hallmarks of the Vijayanagara style. Horse was the most common animal to be depicted on the pillars. The structures have a *mandapam* (open pavilion) with a raised platform, generally meant for seating the deity on special occasions. These temples also have a marriage hall with elaborately carved pillars.

## Bahmani Kingdom

### Foundation and Consolidation of the Bahmani Kingdom

Ala-ud-din Hasan, also known as Hasan Gangu, seized Daulatabad and declared himself sultan under the title of Bahman Shah in 1347. In his effort, this Turkish officer of Daulatabad (Devagiri) was supported by other military leaders in rebellion against the sultan of Delhi,



Muhammad bin Tughluq. In two years, Ala-ud-din Hasan Bahman Shah shifted his capital to Gulbarga. His successors found it difficult to organise a stable kingdom even around Gulbarga. So the capital was again shifted to Bidar in 1429. There were 18 monarchs of the Bahmani dynasty.

### **Ala-ud-din Hasan Bahman Shah (1347–1358)**

Ala-ud-din Hasan ruled for 11 years. His attempt to exact an annual tribute from the state of Warangal, the Reddi kingdoms of Rajahmundry and Kondavidu, led to frequent wars. Ala-ud-din Bahman Shah divided the



kingdom into four territorial divisions called *tarafs*. A governor was appointed for each province. He commanded an army, was solely responsible for its administration and for the collection of the revenue. The system worked well under a powerful king, but its dangers became apparent during the reign of a weak ruler.



Ala-ud-din Hasan Bahman Shah

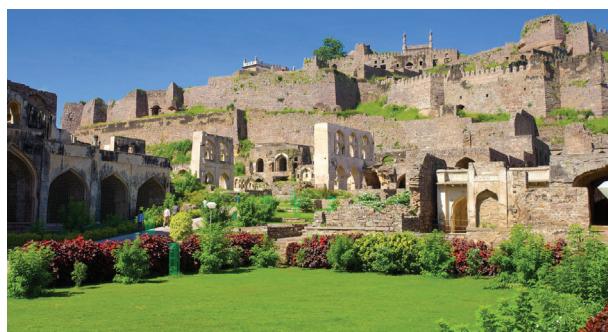
### Muhammad Shah I (1358–1375)

Muhammad shah I succeeded Bahman Shah. He waged two wars with Vijayanagar but couldn't gain from it. But his attack on Warangal in 1363 earned him a large property and wealth, including the important fortress of Golconda and his treasured turquoise throne, which thereafter became the throne of the Bahmani kings.

Turquoise is a semi-precious stone sky blue in colour. Turquoise throne is one of the bejewelled royal seats of Persian kings described in Firdausi's *Shah Nama*.

Muhammad Shah laid a solid foundation for the kingdom. His system of government continued even after the Bahmani kingdom disintegrated into five sultanates. He built two

mosques at Gulbarga. One, the great mosque, completed in 1367, measures 216 by 16 feet and has a roofed courtyard. A large number of Arabs, Turks and notably Persians began to immigrate to the Deccan, many of them at the invitation of Sultan Muhammad I and there they had a strong influence on the development of Muslim culture during subsequent generations.



Golconda Fort

The Golconda Fort is located about 11 kilometres from Hyderabad on a hill 120 meters height. The fort is popular for its acoustic architecture. The highest point of the fort is Bala Hissar. It is believed that there is a secret underground tunnel, which leads from the Durbar Hall to one of the palaces at the foot of the hills.



Gulbarga Mosque

### Successors of Muhammad Shah I

Mujahid, the son of Muhammad shah, ascended the throne. However, on his return



to Gulbarga from the expedition against Vijayanagar, he was assassinated and the nephew of the conspirator, Daud, the uncle of Muhammad, was enthroned in 1378 as Muhammad II. Muhammad II's reign was peaceful, and the sultan spent much of his time building his court as a centre of culture and learning.

There were constant wars between the Bahmani and Vijayanagar rulers over the fertile Tungabhadra-Krishna region. The threat also came from the north, especially from Malwa and Gujarat. The noteworthy ruler after eight and a half decades (1377 to 1463) was Muhammad III (1463–1482). Muhammad III reigned for 19 years. For most of these years, the lieutenant of the kingdom was Mahmud Gawan, the most notable personality of the time.

#### **Eight ministers of the Bahmani state:**

1. Vakil-us-saltana or lieutenant of the kingdom, who was the immediate subordinate authority of the sovereign.
2. Peshwa who was associated with the lieutenant of the kingdom;
3. Waziri-kull who supervised the work of all other ministers;
4. Amir-i-jumla, minister of finance;
5. Nazir, assistant minister for finance;
6. Wasir-i-ashraf, minister of foreign affairs;
7. Kotwal or chief of police and city magistrate in the capital; and
8. Sadr-i-jahan or chief justice and minister of religious affairs and endowments.

#### **Mahmud Gawan**

A Persian by birth, Mahmud Gawan was well-versed in Islamic theory, Persian

and Mathematics. He was also a poet and a prose writer. The Bahmani king Ala-ud-din Hasan Bahman Shah greatly impressed by his wisdom and military genius, recruited him. He served with great distinction as the Prime Minister under Muhammad III and contributed extensively to the development of the Bahmani kingdom.

Gawan was known for his military campaigns as well as administrative reforms. He used Persian chemists to teach the Bahmani army about the preparation and the use of gunpowder. In his war against the Vijayanagar kings in Belgaum, he used gunpowder. In order to tighten the administration and to curb the power of provincial governors, who often functioned as virtual kings, Gawan divided the existing four provinces of the Bahmani Sultanate into eight provinces so as to limit the area under the rule of each governor and to make the provincial administration more manageable.

He also placed some districts in the provinces directly under the central administration. Gawan sought to curtail the military powers of the governors by allowing them to occupy only one fort in their territory. The sultan kept the other forts under his direct control. The royal officers who were given land assignments as pay were made accountable to the sultan for their income and expenditure.

The administrative reforms introduced by Gawan improved the efficiency of the government, but curtailed the powers of the provincial chiefs, who were mostly *Deccanis*. So the already existing rivalry among nobles such as Deccanis and *Pradesis* (foreigners) further intensified and conflicts broke out.



Gawan became a victim of this tussle for power. The Deccani nobles grew jealous of his success and considered him as an obstacle to their rise. They manipulated by forging a letter to implicate Gawan in a conspiracy against the sultan. Sultan, who himself was not happy with Gawan's dominance, ordered his execution.

### Decline of Bahmani Kingdom

Gawan's execution prompted several of the foreign nobles who were considered the backbone of the state to leave for their provinces. After Sultan Muhammad III's death, Mahmud or Shihab-ud-din Mahmud reigned as the sultan until his death in 1518. His long rule is noted for the beginnings of the process of disintegration. After him, four of his successors on the throne were kings only in name. During this period, the Sultanate gradually broke up into five independent Deccan kingdoms: Bidar, Bijapur, Ahmednagar, Berar and Golconda.

### Contribution of Bahmani Sultans

#### Architecture

The contribution of Bahmanikings to architecture is evident in Gulbarga. Archaeological excavations done in the site of the kingdom has helped to unearth palaces, halls of public audience, ambassadors' residences, arches, domes, walls and citadels. These finds are illustrative of their architectural skill.



#### Education

The founder of the Bahmani kingdom Alau-din Hasan Shah was educated at Multan at the initiative of Zabar Khan, a general of Alau-din Khalji. On his accession, he took special

care in founding a school to educate his sons. His son Muhammad I was a patron of learning. He opened institutions for the purpose of educating the children of noble families in the art of soldiery. Sultan Firoz, the eighth Bahmani king was a linguist and a poet. Later his successors founded schools in Gulbarga, Bidar, Daulatabad and Kandahar. Boarding and lodging at the king's expenses were provided in these schools. Mahmud Gawan's world famous madrasa in Bidar, with a large library, containing a collection of 3000 manuscripts, is illustrative of the importance given to scholarship and education by Gawan.



Mahumad Gawan Madrasa

#### Summary

- ❖ The foundation of Vijayanagar kingdom by two brothers Harihara and Bukka and its consolidation by their successors notably Devaraya II are described.
- ❖ The most illustrious ruler Krishnadeva Raya's career and achievements are highlighted.
- ❖ Defeat of Vijayanagar at the hands of combined forces of Deccan Sultanates is narrated.
- ❖ Vijayanagar's system of governance and economy are explored.
- ❖ Contributions of Vijayanagar to literature, art and architecture are also dealt with.



- ❖ Establishment of Bahmani kingdom by Ala-ud-din Hasan Bahman Shah and its consolidation by his able successor Muhammad I are detailed.
- ❖ The administrative system introduced by Bahman Shah and measures adopted by Muhammad I and later by Mahmud Gawan during the kingship of Muhammad III are analysed.
- ❖ Bahmani kings' contribution to architecture and education are also examined.

## Glossary

|     |               |  |                             |
|-----|---------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 1.  | conflict      | a serious disagreement                               | முரண்பாடு / மோதல்           |
| 2.  | ascending     | leading upwards                                      | ஏறுவரிசையில்                |
| 3.  | subsequently  | after a particular thing                             | நிகழ்ச்சிக்குப்பிறகு        |
| 4.  | adorned       | decorated  | அலங்கரிக்கப்பட்ட            |
| 5.  | pillaging     | robbing, using violence, especially in wartime       | கொள்ளலையிடப்பு              |
| 6.  | intrigue      | conspire, plot                                       | சதிதிட்டம் / சூழ்சி         |
| 7.  | primogeniture | the right of succession belonging to the first child | முதல் குழந்தைக்கு வாரிசரிமை |
| 8.  | splendour     | magnificent  | கம்பீரம் / சிறப்புவாய்ந்த   |
| 9.  | flourishing   | growing successfully                                 | செழிக்கும்                  |
| 10. | prominence    | the state of being important                         | முக்கியத்துவம்              |
| 11. | indemnity     | guarantee, surety                                    | உத்திரவாதம்                 |



## Evaluation

### I. Choose the correct answer

1. Who was the greatest ruler of Sangama Dynasty?
  - a) Bukka
  - b) Devaraya II
  - c) Harihara II
  - d) Krishna Devaraya



2. Which was the most common animal depicted on the pillars of Vijayanagara style?
  - a) Elephant
  - b) Horse
  - c) Cow
  - d) Deer
3. Who was the last ruler of the Sangama Dynasty?
  - a) Rama Raya
  - b) Tirumaladeva Raya
  - c) Devaraya II
  - d) Virupaksha Raya II
4. Who ended the Sultanate in Madurai?
  - a) Saluva Narasimha
  - b) Devaraya II
  - c) Kumara Kampana
  - d) Tirumaladeva Raya



5. Name the Bahmani King who was a linguist and a poet.
  - a) Ala-ud-din Hasan Shah
  - b) Muhammad I
  - c) Sultan Firoz
  - d) Mujahid

## II. Fill in the Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ was the capital of Aravidu dynasty.
2. Vijayanagar emperors issued a large number of gold coins called\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Mahmud Gawan used\_\_\_\_\_ chemists to teach the preparation and use of gunpowder.
4. In Vijayanagara administration \_\_\_\_\_ looked after the affairs of villages.

## III. Match the following

- |                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Vijayanagara       | - Ruler of Odisha    |
| 2. Prataparudra       | - Astadiggajas       |
| 3. Krishna Devaraya   | - Pandurangamahatyam |
| 4. Abdur Razzaq       | - City of victory    |
| 5. Tenali Ramakrishna | - Persian emissary   |

## IV. 1. Assertion (A): The Vijayanagar army was considered one of the feared armies in India.

Reason (R):-Vijayanagar armies used both firearm and cavalry.

- a) R is not the correct explanation of A
- b) R is correct explanation of A
- c) A is correct and R is wrong
- d) (A) and (R) are Correct

## 2. Find out the wrong pair

- a) Silk - China
- b) Spices - Arabia

- c) Precious stone - Burma
- d) Madurai Vijayam - Gangadevi

## 3. Find the odd one out

Harihara II, Muhammad I Krishnadeva Raya, Devaraya I.

## 4. Consider the following statements and find out which is/are correct

- I. Turquoise throne is one of the bejewelled royal seats of Persian kings described in Firdausi's Shah Nama.
- II. The fertile regions between the rivers Krishna and Tungabhadra and Krishna-Godavari delta were the zones of conflict among the rulers of Vijayanagar, and Bahmani.
- III. Muhammad I was educated at Multan.
- IV. Mahmud Gawan served with great distinction as the Prime Minister under Muhammad III.
  - a). i), ii), are correct
  - b). i), ii), iii) are correct
  - c). ii), iii), iv) are correct
  - d). iii), iv), are correct

## V. True or False

1. Harihara and Bukka were the founder of Bahmani kingdom.
2. Krishnadeva Raya, who reigned for 20 years, was the most illustrious rulers of Sangama dynasty.
3. Alasani Peddana was the greatest of all Astadiggajas.
4. Kingship of Vijayanagar administration was hereditary, based on the principle of primo geniture.
5. There were 18 monarchs of the Bahmani dynasty.



## VI. Answer in one or two sentences

1. The four dynasties of Vijayanagara kingdom with reference to prominent rulers of each dynasty.
2. Battle of Talikota.
3. The structure of governance in Vijayanagar kingdom.
4. The five independent kingdoms of Deccan Sultanate.
5. The educational reforms of Ala-ud-din Hasan Shah

## VII. Answer in detail

1. Discuss the career and achievements of Krishna Devaraya.

## VIII. HOTS

Discuss the causes for the decline of Vijayanagar rule. To what extent the Bahmani sultans contributed to it?

## IX. Map

1. Highlight the boundaries of Vijayanagar Empire and Bahmani kingdom.

## X. Answer Grid

|   |   |
|---|---|
| 1. Name the kingdom ruled by 18 monarchs which lasted for nearly 180 years. | 2. Name the Bahmani Sultan who was restored to the throne by Krishna Devaraya |
| 3. Name the book written by Krishnadevaraya in Sanskrit.                    | 4. Where did Hasan Bahman Shah shift his capital.                             |

## XI. Student Activity

Collect information about temples in Tamil Nadu with the influence of Vijayanagara style

of art and architecture. Also read the stories of Tenali Ramakrishna in the classroom.

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## Unit -II

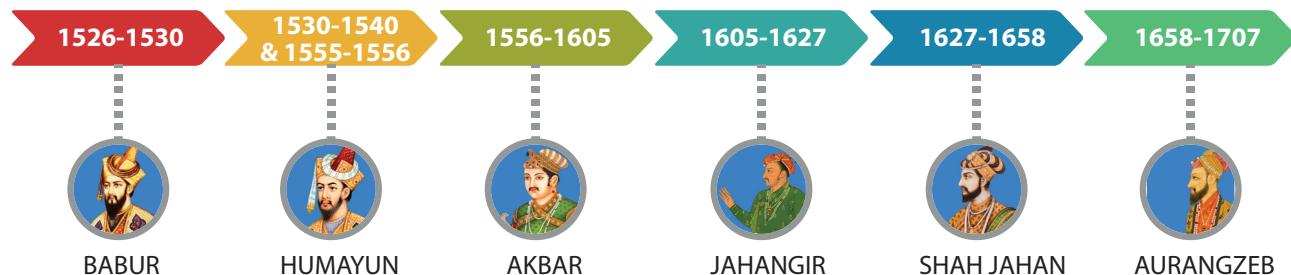
# The Mughal Empire



Tajmahal

### Learning Objectives

- ❖ To trace the foundation and establishment of Mughal Empire in India.
- ❖ To acquaint ourselves with the career and achievements of six great Mughal kings.
- ❖ To understand the administrative and religious policies of the Mughal rulers.
- ❖ To gain knowledge about the cultural contributions of Mughals.



### Introduction

A new empire began in India with the arrival of the Mughal king Babur. Except for the brief reign of Sher Shah of Sur dynasty, the Mughal rule lasted from A.D.(CE) 1526 to 1707. These were the years when the fame of the Great Mughals of India spread all over Asia and Europe. After six Great Mughal Emperors, the empire began to disintegrate.

### Babur (1526–1530)

#### Ancestry and His Early Career

Zahir-ud-din Muhammad Babur, popularly known as Babur, was the founder of the Mughal Empire in India. The term 'Mughal' can be traced to Babur's ancestors. Babur was the great grandson of Timur (on his father's side). On his mother's side, his grandfather was Yunus Khan of Tashkent, who was known as the Great



Khan of the Mongols and the thirteenth in the direct line of descent of Chengiz Khan. Babur was born on 14 February 1483. He was named Zahir-ud-din (Defender of Faith) Muhammad. He inherited Farghana, a small kingdom in Central Asia, when he was 12 years old. But he was soon driven out from there by Uzbeks. After 10 years of adversity, Babur established himself as the ruler of Kabul.



Babur

## Foundation of the Mughal Empire

In Kabul, Babur set his sights eastward, reminded by the memory of Timur's Indian invasion. In 1505, the very year after he took Kabul, Babur led his first expedition towards India. Yet he was preoccupied with the Central Asian affairs. He did not have any ambition beyond Punjab till 1524. Then a greater opportunity came knocking. Dilawar Khan, who was Daulat Khan Lodi's son, and Alam Khan, who was the uncle of Sultan of Delhi, arrived in Kabul to seek Babur's help in removing Ibrahim Lodi from power. Babur defeated Ibrahim Lodi

in the famous Battle of Panipat in 1526 and occupied Delhi and Agra. Following Babur's victory in this battle, Mughal dynasty came to be established in India with Agra as its capital.

### Babur's Military Conquests

Babur defeated Rana Sanga and his allies at Khanwa in 1527. He won the war against the chief of Chanderi in 1528 and prevailed over the Afghan chiefs of Bengal and Bihar in 1529. Babur died in 1530 before he could consolidate his victories. Babur was a scholar in Turkish and Persian languages. He recorded his impressions about Hindustan, its animals, plants and trees, flowers and fruits in his autobiography *Tuzuk-i-Baburi*.



Rana Sanga

Following the tradition set by Chengiz Khan, who nominated the most deserving among his sons as his heir, Babur chose his favourite and eldest son, Humayun, as his heir.

### Humayun (1530–1540 and 1555–1556)

Humayun, on his accession to the throne, divided his inheritance as per his father's will



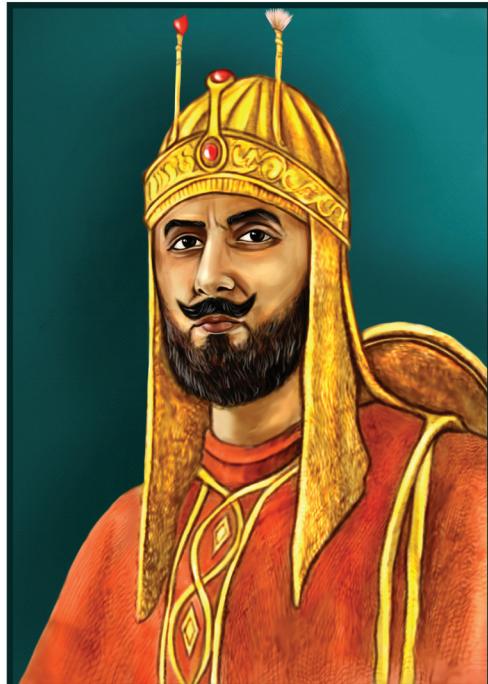
and accordingly his brothers, Kamran, Hindal and Askari, got a province each. Yet each of the brothers aspired for the throne of Delhi. Humayun also had other rivals and notable among them was the Afghan Sher Shah Sur, the ruler of Bihar and Bengal. Sher Shah defeated Humayun at Chausa (1539) and again at Kanauj (1540). Humayun, defeated and overthrown, had to flee to Iran. With the help of the Persian ruler Shah Tahmasp of the Safavid dynasty, Humayun succeeded in recapturing Delhi in 1555. But he died in 1556 when he fell down the stairs of his library in Delhi.



Humayun Tomb

### Sher Shah (1540–1545)

Sher Shah was the son of the Afghan noble Hasan Suri, ruler of Sasaram in Bihar. After overthrowing Humayun, Sher Shah started the rule of Sur dynasty at Agra. During his brief reign, he built an empire stretching from Bengal to the Indus, excluding Kashmir. He also introduced an efficient land revenue system. He built many roads, and standardised coins, weights and measures.



Sher Shah

### Akbar (1556–1605)

#### Accession to Throne

After the death of Humayun in 1556, his 14-year-old son Akbar was crowned the King. Humayun's trusted general Bairam Khan became the regent and ruled on behalf of Akbar, as the latter was a minor.



Akbar



Hemu, a general of Sur dynasty, soon captured Agra and Delhi in 1556. In the same year, Bairam Khan defeated and killed Hemu in the battle at Panipat (Second Battle of Panipat, 1556). As Bairam Khan was murdered in Gujarat, allegedly at the instance of Akbar who could not tolerate his dominance in day-to-day governance of the kingdom, Akbar assumed full control of the government. Akbar brought most of India under his control through conquests and alliances.





## Conquests of Women Rulers

Akbar conquered Malwa and parts of Central India. His defeat of Rani Durgavati, a ruler in the Central Province, is not appreciated, since the brave Rani did him no harm. Yet urged by his ambition to build an empire, Akbar had no consideration for the good nature of the ruler. Similarly, another woman ruler Akbar had to confront in South India was the famous Rani Chand Bibi, regent of Ahmednagar. The fight this woman put up impressed the Mughal army so much that they gave her favourable terms of peace.



Rani Durgavati

## Battle of Haldighati

Akbar defeated Rana Uday Singh of Mewar and captured the fort of Chittoor in 1568 and then Ranthambore in 1569. In 1576, he won over Uday Singh's son Rana Pratap at the Battle of Haldighati. Though defeated, Rana Pratap escaped on his horse, Chetak, and continued his fight, leading a life in the jungle. The memory of this gallant Rajput is treasured in Rajputana, and many a legend has grown around him.



Rana Pratap

## Commercial Access to Arabia, Southeast Asia and China

Akbar's conquest of Gujarat helped him to establish control over Gujarat's overseas trade with the Arabs and the Europeans. Akbar's military campaigns in East Bihar and Odisha and victory over Bengal facilitated access to Southeast Asia and China.

## Military Campaigns in the North-West (1585–1605)

Among other conquests of Akbar, the important were the campaigns he launched in the North-West of India. Akbar added Kandahar, Kashmir and Kabul to the Mughal Empire. His battles in the Deccan led to the annexation of Berar, Khandesh and parts of Ahmednagar. Under Akbar, the Mughal Empire extended from Kashmir in the north to Godavari in the south, and from Kandahar in the west to Bengal in the east.

Akbar died in 1605 and his mortal remains were buried at Sikandra near Agra.



## Akbar's Religious Policy

Akbar, realising that the gains of affection would be more enduring than the gains of the sword, made all out efforts to win the goodwill of the Hindu nobles and the Hindu masses. He abolished the jizya (poll tax) on non-Muslims and the tax on Hindu pilgrims. He also married a girl of a noble Rajput family. Later, he married off his son to a Rajput girl as well. He appointed Rajput nobles to important and top positions in his Empire. Raja Man Singh of Jaipur was sent as governor of Kabul once.

Akbar treated all the religious groups fairly with generosity of spirit. The Sufi saint Salim Chishti and the Sikh Guru Ramdas received Akbar's utmost respect and regard. Guru Ramdas was gifted a plot of land in Amritsar, where the Sikh shrine Harmandir Sahib was later built. In Ibadat Khana, a hall in the new Fatehpur Sikri city, constructed by Akbar, scholars of all religions met for a discourse.

## Contributions to culture

Akbar was a great patron of learning. His personal library had more than four thousand manuscripts. He patronised scholars of all beliefs and all shades of opinions. He extended his benevolence to authors such as Abul Fazl, Abul Faizi and Abdur Rahim Khan-i-Khanan, the great storyteller Birbal, competent officials like Raja Todar Mal, Raja Bhagwan Das and Raja Man Singh. The great composer and musician Tansen and artist Daswant adorned Akbar's court as well.

## Jahangir (1605–1627)

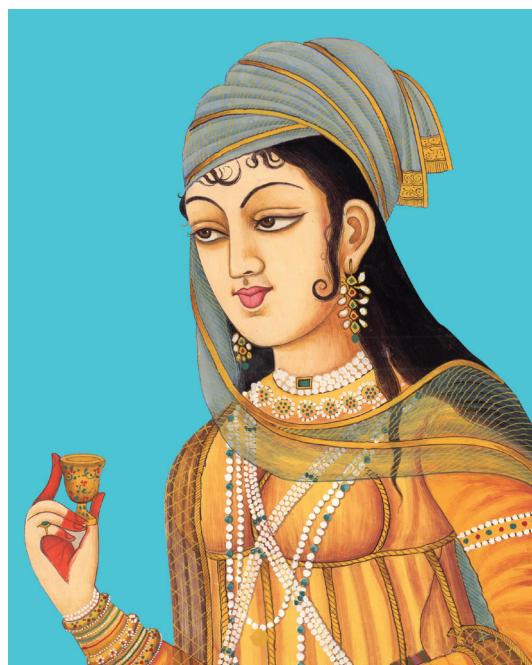
Akbar was succeeded by Prince Salim, his son through a Rajput wife, who was also named

Nur-ud-din Muhammad Jahangir (Conqueror of the World). Jahangir was more interested in



Jahangir

art and painting and gardens and flowers, than in running the government. So Jahangir's wife, Mehr-un-nisa, known as Nur Jahan, was the real power behind the throne. Jahangir carried on to some extent his father's traditions. The toleration of religions of Akbar's time continued in Jahangir's time.



Nur Jahan



But Jahangir ordered the execution of Sikh leader Guru Arjun (or Arjan) for helping his rebellious son Khusrau, who contested for the throne. This resulted in a prolonged fight between the Sikhs and the Mughals. As a result of this confrontation, the Mughals had to lose control over the trade routes to Afghanistan, Persia and Central Asia. The loss of Kandahar exposed India to invasions from the North-West. Ahmednagar, though conquered by Jahangir, remained a source of trouble throughout his reign.

Jahangir granted trading rights to the Portuguese and later to the English. Thomas Roe, a representative of King James I of England, visited Jahangir's court and this agreement paved the way for the British establishing their first factory in Surat.

### Shah Jahan (1627–1658)



Shah Jahan

Prince Khurram, after a struggle for power, succeeded Jahangir as Shah Jahan (King of the World). Shah Jahan ruled for thirty years.

He led a campaign against Ahmednagar and annexed it in 1632. Bijapur and Golconda were also conquered later. Some Maratha warriors, notably Shahji Bhonsle (Shivaji's father), entered the services of the Deccan kingdoms and trained bands of Maratha soldiers to fight against the Mughals. So there was a sustained resistance in the Deccan to the Mughals from the Marathas too. Shah Jahan was intolerant towards other religions than Islam. In his reign came the climax of Mughal splendour, which is detailed in the next part of this lesson.

Shah Jahan fell ill in 1657 and a war of succession broke out among his four sons. Aurangzeb emerged successful after killing his three brothers, Dara, Shuja and Murad. Shah Jahan passed the last eight years of his life as a prisoner in the Shah Burj of the Agra Fort.

### Aurangzeb (1658–1707)

Aurangzeb, the last of the Great Mughals, started off his reign by imprisoning his old father. He assumed the title Alamgir (the Conqueror of the World). He reigned for 48 years. He was no lover of art like his grandfather Jahangir and architecture like his father Shah Jahan.



Aurangzeb



He tolerated no religion excepting Islam. He re-imposed the jizya tax on Hindus and excluded them from office as far as possible. Between 1658 and 1681, Aurangzeb remained in the North and suppressed the revolt of Bundelas, Jats, Satnamis and Sikhs. Aurangzeb's expansion in the North-East resulted in a war with the Ahoms of Kamarupa (Assam). The kingdom came under repeated attacks of the Mughals, but it could not be subdued totally.





## Relationship with Rajputs and Marathas

Aurangzeb's hostility towards Rajputs led to prolonged wars with them. To make matters worse, his rebellious son, Prince Akbar, joined the forces of Rajputs and created troubles to him. Prince Akbar entered into a pact with Shivaji's son Shambuji in the Deccan. So Aurangzeb had to march to the Deccan in 1689.

In the Deccan, Aurangzeb brought Bijapur and Golconda into submission. Shivaji had carved out a kingdom, proclaiming himself the Emperor of Maratha State (1674). Aurangzeb could not stop the rise of Shivaji in the southwest. But he vanquished Shivaji's son and successor Shambuji, who was captured and executed by him. Aurangzeb remained in the Deccan until his death in 1707, at the age of nearly 90.

By the end of Aurangzeb's rule, the British had firmly established their trade centres at Madras (Chennai), Calcutta (Kolkata) and Bombay (Mumbai). The French had their main trade centre in Pondicherry (Puducherry).

## The Mughal Administration

### Central Administration

The Mughals provided a stable administration in larger parts of India. The Emperor was the supreme head of the Mughal administrative system. He was the law maker, the chief executive, the commander-in-chief of the army and the final dispenser of justice. He was assisted by a council of ministers. The most important officials were the Wakil (Prime Minister) and Wazir or diwan (in charge of the revenue and expenditure). Mir Bhakshi was in-

charge of the army. The Mir Saman looked after the royal household. The Qazi was the Chief Judge. Sadr-us-Sudr was minister for enforcing Islamic law (Sharia).

### Provincial Administration

The empire was divided into several Subhas (provinces). Each Subha was under the control of an officer called Subedar. The Subhas were further divided into districts called Sarkars. The Sarkars were subdivided into Parganas. A group of villages (Gramas) formed a Pargana.

### Local Administration

The towns and cities were administered by Kotwals. Kotwals maintained law and order. The administration of villages was left in the hands of local village panchayats (informal institution of justice in villages). The Panchayatdars (jury) dispensed justice.

### Army

The Mughal army comprised infantry, cavalry, war elephants and artillery. The Emperor maintained a large number of trained and well-armed bodyguards and palace guards.

### Mansabdari System

Akbar introduced the Mansabdari system. According to this system, the nobles, civil and military officials were combined to form one single service. Everyone in the service was given a mansab, meaning a position or rank. A Mansabdar was a holder of such a rank. Mansabdar rank was dependent on Zat and Sawar. The former indicated one's status. Sawar was the number of horses and horsemen he had to maintain. His salary was fixed on the basis of the number of soldiers each Mansabdar received ranging from 10 to 10,000. The Mansabdars



were paid high salary by the Emperor. Before receiving the salary, a Mansabdar had to present his horsemen for inspection. Their horses were branded to prevent theft. The Emperor could use the troops maintained by a Mansabdar whenever he wished. The rank of Mansabdar was not hereditary during Akbar's time. After him, it became hereditary.

### Land Revenue Administration

Land revenue administration was toned up during the reign of Akbar. Raja Todar Mal, Revenue Minister of Akbar, adopted and refined the system introduced by Sher Shah. Todar Mal's zabit system was put in place in the north and north-western provinces. According to this system, after a survey, lands were classified according to the nature and fertility of the soil. The share of the state was fixed at one-third of the average produce for 10 years. During the reign of Shah Jahan, the zabit or zabti system was extended to the Deccan provinces.

The Mughal emperors enforced the old iqta system, renaming it jagir. It is a land tenure system developed during the period of Delhi Sultanate. Under the system, the collection of the revenue of an area and the power of governing it were bestowed upon a military or civil official now named Jagirdar. Every Mansabdar was a Jagirdar if he was not paid in cash. The Jagirdar collected the revenue through his own officials. The Amal Guzar or the revenue collector of the district was assisted by subordinate officers like the Potdar, the Qanungo, the Patwari and the Muqaddams.

Those appointed to collect the revenue from the landholders were called zamindars. Zamindars collected taxes and maintained law

and order with the help of Mughal officials and soldiers. The local chieftains and little kings were also called zamindars. But at the end of the sixteenth century, the zamindars were conferred hereditary rights over their zamin. The zamindar was empowered to maintain troops for the purpose of collecting revenue. The emperor granted lands to scholars, holy men and religious institutions. These lands called suyurghal were tax-free.

### Religious Policy

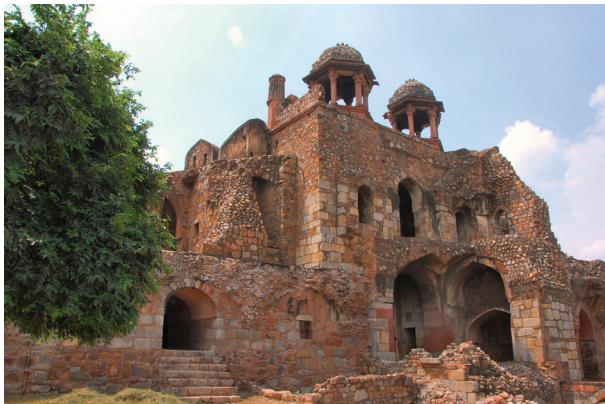
The Mughal emperors were the followers of Islam. Akbar was very liberal in his religious policy. In Akbar's court, the Portuguese missionaries were great favourites. Akbar tried to include the good principles in all religions and formulated them into one single faith called Din-I-Ilahi (divine faith). Jahangir and Shah Jahan also followed the policy of Akbar. Aurangzeb rejected the liberal views of his predecessors. As we pointed out earlier, he re-imposed the jizya and pilgrim tax on the Hindus. His intolerance towards other religions made him unpopular among the people.

### Art and Architecture

Babur introduced the Persian style of architecture to India by building many structures at Agra, Biana, Dholpur, Gwalior and Kiul (Aligarh), but only a few of them exist today. Humayun's palace in Delhi, Din-i-Panah, was probably destroyed by Sher Shah Sur who built the Purana Qila in its place. The most prominent monument of Sher Shah's reign was his mausoleum built at Sasaram in Bihar.

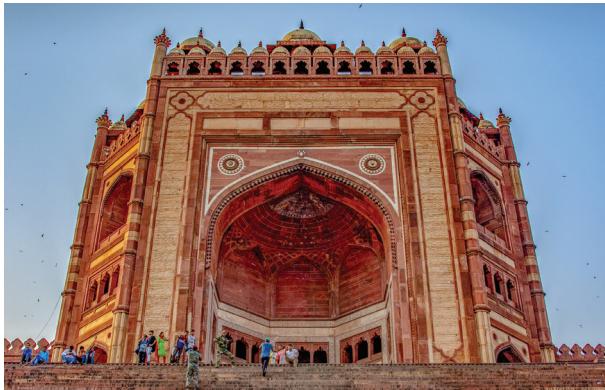


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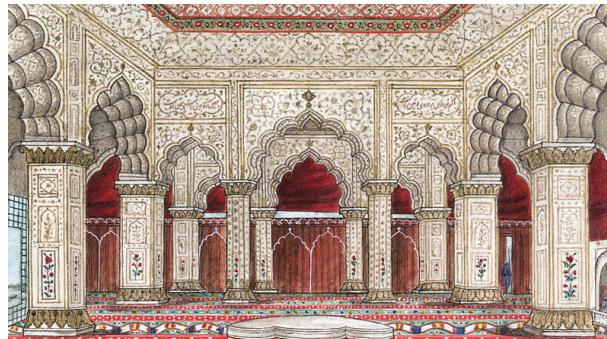
Purana Qila

The Diwan-i-Khas, Diwan-i-Am, Panch Mahal (pyramidal structure in five stories), Rang Mahal, Salim Chishti's Tomb and Buland Darwaza were built during Akbar's time. Jahangir completed Akbar's tomb at Sikandara and the beautiful building containing the tomb of Itmad-ud-daula, father of Nur Jahan, at Agra.

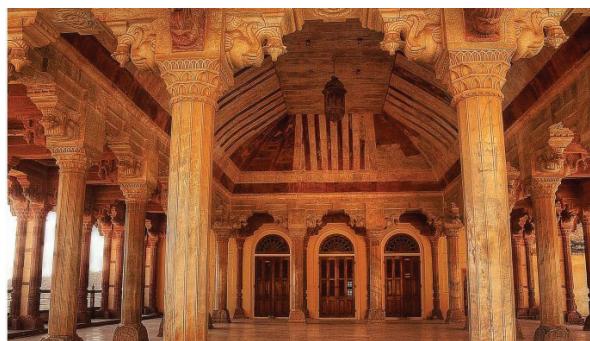


Buland Darwaza

Shah Jahan's time witnessed the climax of Mughal splendour. The famous peacock throne, covered with expensive jewels, was made for the Emperor to sit on. Then rose the world famous Taj Mahal, by the side of the Jumna river at Agra. Besides Taj, he built the Moti Masjid, the pearl mosque at Agra, the great Jama Masjid of Delhi and the Diwan-i-Khas and Diwan-i-Am in his palace in Delhi.



Diwan-i-Khas



Diwan-i-Am

During Aurangzeb's reign, architecture did not receive much patronage. The Bibi Ka Maqbara in Aurangabad, a mausoleum built by his son Prince Azam Shah as a loving tribute to his mother in the late seventeenth century, is, however, worth mentioning.

### Red Fort



Red Fort, also called Lal Qila, in Delhi was the residence of the Mughal emperors. Constructed in 1639 by Emperor Shah Jahan as the palace of his fortified capital Shahjahanabad. The Red Fort is named for its massive enclosing walls of red sandstone.



## Summary

- ❖ Babur founded the Mughal Empire in 1526 after defeating Ibrahim Lodi in the Battle of Panipat (1526). Humayun's unsettled conditions and Sher Shah's victory over him in the Battle of Kanauj; Sher Shah's efficient land revenue administration; and the introduction of coin system and standardised weights and measures are dealt with in this chapter.
- ❖ Humayun's retrieval of the Mughal Empire and his untimely death leading to the accession of his son Akbar, with Bairamkhan as the regent, and defeating Hemu, the great general of Sur dynasty, in the Battle of Panipat (1556) are described.
- ❖ Akbar's military conquests as well as his religious policy are explained.
- ❖ Jahangir's disinterest in state governance leading to dominance of his wife Nur Jahan in the Mughal Court is elaborated upon.
- ❖ Shahjahan extending Mughal rule in the Deccan and the resultant conflict with Marathas are analysed.
- ❖ Aurangzeb's conquests helped to expand the Mughal Empire, but his policies against Rajputs, Marathas and Sikhs provoked resistance from them, paving the way for its downfall.
- ❖ Mughal administration headed by the Emperor, who in turn was assisted by various officials, is described. Akbar's Mansabdari system and the land revenue policy formulated by Raja Todar Mal according to the zabit system are examined.
- ❖ Mughals' contributions to culture, notably to art and architecture, are highlighted.

## Glossary

|    |            |  |                         |
|----|------------|--|-------------------------|
| 1. | expedition | a journey undertaken with the purpose of war | போர்பயணம்               |
| 2. | prolonged  | lengthy                                      | நீண்ட                   |
| 3. | subdued    | conquered                                    | அடக்குதல்               |
| 4. | rebellious | showing a desire to resist authority         | கலக்கார                 |
| 5. | bestowed   | awarded                                      | மதிப்பளித்தல்           |
| 6. | hereditary | inheritance of a title, office, or right     | பாரம்பரிய               |
| 7. | Enduring   | lasting over a period of time                | நீடித்த / நீடித்த காலம் |

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## Evaluation

### I. Choose the correct answer

1. Who introduced the Persian style of architecture in India?  
a) Humayun      b) Babur  
c) Jahangir      d) Akbar
2. In which battle did Akbar defeat Rana Pratap?  
a) Panipat      b) Chausa  
c) Haldighati      d) Kanauj
3. Whose palace in Delhi was destroyed by Sher Shah?  
a) Babur      b) Humayun  
c) Ibrahim Lodi      d) Alam Khan
4. Who introduced Mansabdari system?  
a) Sher Sha      b) Akbar  
c) Jahangir      d) Shah Jahan
5. Who was the revenue minister of Akbar?  
a) Birbal      b) Raja Bhagwan Das  
c) Raja Todarmal      d) Raja Man Singh



### II. Fill in the Blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ was the name of the horse of Rana Pratap.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ was a hall at Fatehpur Sikri where scholars of all religions met for a discourse.
3. The Sufi saint who received Akbar's utmost respect was \_\_\_\_\_.

4. During the reign of \_\_\_\_\_ the Zabti system was extended to the Deccan provinces.

5. \_\_\_\_\_ were tax-free lands given to scholars and religious institutions.

### III. Match the following

- |                    |   |                  |
|--------------------|---|------------------|
| 1. Babur           | - | Ahmednagar       |
| 2. Durgavati       | - | Jaipur           |
| 3. Rani Chand Bibi | - | Akbar            |
| 4. Din IIahi       | - | Chanderi         |
| 5. Raja Man Singh  | - | Central Province |

### IV. True or False

1. Babur inherited Farghana, a small kingdom in Central Asia.
2. Humayun succeeded in recapturing Delhi in 1565.
3. Aurangzeb married a girl of a notable Rajput family.
4. Jahangir ordered execution of Sikh leader Guru Arjun for helping his son Khusrav.
5. During Aurangzeb's reign, architecture received much patronage.

### V. Consider the following statements. Tick (✓) the appropriate answer.

1. **Assertion (A):** The British established their first factory at Surat.
- Reason (R):** Jahangir granted trading rights to the English.
- a) R is the correct explanation of A.
  - b) R is not the correct explanation of A.
  - c) A is wrong and R is correct.
  - d) (A) and (R) are wrong.



2. **Assertion (A):** Aurangzeb's intolerance towards other religions made him unpopular among people.

**Reason (R):** Aurangzeb re-imposed the jizya and pilgrim tax on the Hindus.

- a) R is the correct explanation of A.
- b) R is not the correct explanation of A.
- c) A is wrong and R is correct.
- d) (A) and (R) are wrong.

### 3. Find out the correct statements

(I) Kamran was the son of Afghan noble, Hasan Suri, ruler of Sasaram in Bihar.

(II) Akbar abolished the jizya poll tax on non-Muslims and the tax on Hindu pilgrims.

(III) Aurangzeb acceded the throne after killing his three brothers.

(IV) Prince Akbar entered into a pact with Shivaji's son Shambuji in the Deccan.

- (i), (ii) and (iii) are correct
- (ii), (iii) and (iv) are correct
- (i), (iii) and (iv) are correct
- (ii), (iii), (iv) and (i) are correct

### 4. Arrange the battles in chronological order

- (i) Battle of Khanwa
- (ii) Battle of Chausa
- (iii) Battle of Kanauj
- (iv) Battle of Chanderi

### 5. Arrange the following administrative divisions in descending order

- (I) Sarkars
- (II) Parganas
- (III) Subhas

### Match the father and son

| Father              | Son          |
|---------------------|--------------|
| 1. Akbar            | Dilawar Khan |
| 2. Daulat Khan Lodi | Rana Pratap  |
| 3. Hasan Suri       | Humayun      |
| 4. Babur            | Sher Shah    |
| 5. Uday Singh       | Jahangir     |

### VI. Give short answer

1. Write the circumstance that led to the Battle of Panipat in 1526.
2. Mention the Humayun recapture the Delhi throne in 1555?
3. Write a note on Mansabdari system.

### VII. Answer the following

1. Describe the land revenue administration of the Mughals.
2. Estimate Akbar as a patron of learning.

### VIII. HOTS

1. Shah Jahan's time witnessed the climax of Mughal splendour. Support this statement in comparison with the times of other Mughal rulers.

### Map

Mark the extent of Mughal Empire during the reign of Akbar and Aurangzeb with special focus on important battle fields.

### IX. Activity

Collect information about the scholars in Akbar's court and conduct a mock Ibadat khana in the class.



## Unit -III

### Rise of Marathas and Peshwas



#### Learning Objectives

- ❖ To trace the origin and the growth of Maratha kingdom with particular emphasis on the role played by Shivaji in strengthening it.
- ❖ To know about the administrative structure introduced by Shivaji.
- ❖ To examine how far the Marathas were responsible for the decline of the Mughals.
- ❖ To assess the role of Peshwas in carrying on Maratha power.



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#### Introduction

The rising power of the Marathas in the south-west posed the real danger to the Mughal Empire. Shahji Bhonsle, Shivaji's father, an officer of the Ahmednagar State and later Bijapur, proved to be a thorn in the flesh of the Mughals, even in Shah Jahan's period. But it was his son, Shivaji, who attained glory among the Marathas as he could stop the Mughal Empire's expansion in the Deccan. Shivaji was a gallant fighter, army general and a guerilla leader. He built up a band of brave mountaineers, who were loyal to him. With their help, he captured many forts and gave Aurangzeb's commanders a tough time. As Marathas grew stronger, the Mughal Empire weakened. The Mughal Emperor had

to recognise the right of the Marathas to collect their Chauth tax all over the Deccan. Warfare opened opportunities for talented commanders who contributed to the vigorous expansion of Maratha power early in the eighteenth century. The prime minister of Maratha rulers, called the Peshwas from the time of Shahu, held real power. Under the aegis of Maratha power, the Peshwas continued their supremacy until 1761.

#### Factors Responsible for the Rise of Marathas

#### Geographical Features

The physical features of the Maratha country developed certain peculiar qualities among the Marathas, which distinguished them



from the rest of the people of India. During the sixteenth century, the sultans of Bijapur and Ahmednagar had recruited them to serve in cavalry. Their presence was helpful to the sultans in balancing the political ambitions of the Muslim soldiers in their service. The rocky and mountainous terrain gave protection to the Marathas from invaders. It proved to be advantageous in guerrilla warfare for Marathas.

### Bhakti Movement and the Marathas

The spread of the Bhakti movement in Maharashtra helped the Maratha people develop consciousness of their identity and oneness. It promoted a feeling of unity, especially in terms of social equality, among the Marathas. In the Maratha region, the religious leaders were drawn from different social groups. Eknath, Tukaram and Ramdas were the noted Bhakti saints. Tukaram and Ramdas had considerable influence on the life of Shivaji.



Tukaram



Ramdas

### Literature and Language of the Marathas

Marathi language and literature also served to develop unity among the people. Hymns composed in the Marathi language by Bhakti saints were sung by people of all castes and classes.

### Shivaji

Shivaji, born in 1627, grew up under the care of his mother, Jijabai, who influenced him

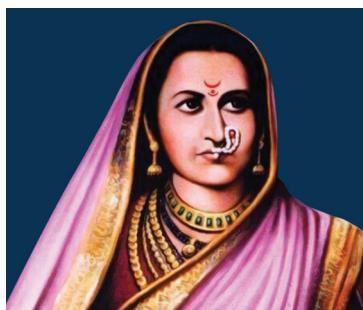


Shivaji

with stories from the Hindu epics, Ramayana and the Mahabharatha. Shivaji's teacher and guardian, Dadaji Kondadev, trained him in the art of horse riding, warfare and state administration. At the age of eighteen in 1645, when he had just entered the military career, he successfully captured Kondana, a fort near Poona. The following year, he took the fort of Torna. Then he succeeded in conquering Raigarh, which was rebuilt by him.



Shahji Bhonsle



Jijabai

### Shivaji's Confrontation with Sultan of Bijapur

Shivaji became totally independent after the death of his guardian Kondadev (1649). He also got his father's jagir transferred to him, which was earlier looked after by Kondadev. The strength of his army was Mavali foot soldiers. With their help, Shivaji conquered many of the



hill forts near Poona. He captured Puranthal from the Mughals. Shivaji's military raids angered the Sultan of Bijapur. He held Shivaji's father captive and released him only after Shivaji promised to suspend his military raids. Shivaji kept his word and remained at peace with Bijapur from then on till his father Shahji's death. During this period he toned up his administration.





## Consolidation of Maratha Power

Shivaji resumed his raids after his father's death and conquered Javali (1656) from the Maratha chief Chandrarao More. He also reduced all the lesser Maratha chiefs around Pune to subordination. The soldiers of Bijapur from the hill fortresses acquired by Sultan of Bijapur were driven out and replaced with his own commanders. These moves and the defeat of Bijapur army sent to punish Shivaji alarmed the Mughal officials. When the Mughals made a punitive expedition, Shivaji boldly confronted them. In 1659 he killed Afzal Khan, a notable general of Bijapur. In 1663 he wounded and chased away the Mughal general and Aurangzeb's uncle Shaista Khan. To cap these bold acts, he audaciously directed his soldiers to plunder Surat (1664), the major Mughal port on the Arabian Sea.

### Shivaji and Aurangzeb

After Shivaji plundered Surat, Aurangzeb swung into action. An army under the command of a Rajput general, Raja Jai Singh, was ordered to destroy Shivaji and annex Bijapur. Shivaji finally sought peace, yielded the fortresses he had seized and accepted service as a mansabdar in the Mughal service for the conquest of Bijapur. He also agreed to visit the imperial court at Agra, on the advice of Jai Singh only to suffer humiliation, which led him to escape, by hiding in a basket.

Aurangzeb was determined to stop the Maratha interference in his expeditions against the Deccan kingdoms. He attempted to patch up with Shivaji, but those efforts failed. In 1670, the Mughal army was helpless when Shivaji again plundered Surat. In 1674, Shivaji crowned himself by assuming the title of Chhatrapati and

the coronation of Shivaji was celebrated with great splendour at Raigarh, as the occasion was the founding of a new kingdom and a new dynasty. Shivaji's aged mother Jijabai, who had lived to see her son crowned the king, passed away a few days after the coronation, with her life wish fulfilled. Shivaji spent his last years trying to bring his son Shambhuji into his ways as he had defected to the Mughals. He fell ill with fever and dysentery and died in 1680.

Chhatra (parasol) pati (master or lord), is the Sanskrit equivalent of king or emperor, and was used by the Marathas, especially Shivaji.

### Maratha Administration under Shivaji

Shivaji's political system consisted of three circles. At the centre was the swaraj. Shivaji was caring and would not allow the people to be harassed in any way. In the second circle, Shivaji claimed suzerainty, but he did not administer them himself. He protected the people from loot and plunder for which they were required to pay Chauth (one-fourth of the revenue as protection money) and Sardeshmukhi (an extra one-tenth, as the chieftain's due). In the third circle, Shivaji's only objective was plunder.



Deshmukhs held sway over rural regions and their control was over between twenty and hundred villages. Each village had a powerful headman (Patil), who was assisted by a village accountant or keeper of records (Kulkarni). In the absence of a strong central government, these local community level officials functioned as the true government.



## Army

Shivaji gave utmost attention to his army and training of its personnel. In the beginning, the backbone of his army was the infantry. But as his campaigns extended into the plains, his cavalry grew in size and importance. Every soldier was selected personally by Shivaji and was taken into service on the assurance of a soldier already in service. Shivaji took great care in the maintenance and security of his forts. Retired captains holding a high reputation were put in charge of guarding the forts.

## Ashtapradhan

Shivaji designated eight ministers as the Ashtapradhan, each holding an important portfolio. Peshwa was the equivalent of a modern prime minister in the Maratha Empire. Originally, they were subordinates to the Chhatrapati. But, in course of time, especially from the time of Sahu Maharaja, Peshwa became the de facto Maratha ruler while the Chhatrapati was reduced to the position of a nominal ruler.

Shivaji was influenced by the Mughal revenue system. The assessments were made on the actual yield, with three-fifths left to the cultivator and two-fifths taken by the government. In judicial administration, civil cases continued to be decided by the panchayat, the village council, while criminal law was based on the shastras, the Hindu law books.

## Responsibilities of the Ashtapradhan

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Pantpradhan / Peshwa | Prime Minister   |
| Amatya / Mazumdar    | Finance Minister |
| Shurunavis/Sacheev   | Secretary        |

|                         |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Waqia-Navis             | Interior Minister  |
| Sar-i-Naubat / Senapati | Commander-in-Chief |
| Sumant / Dubeer         | Foreign Minister   |
| Nyayadhish              | Chief Justice      |
| Panditrao               | High Priest        |

## Shambhuji

Shambhuji succeeded Shivaji after a succession tussle with Anaji Datto. There were family feuds splintering the Maratha kingdom. Durgadas of Rathore Marwar and Aurangzeb's rebel son Akbar arrived in Maharashtra and took shelter in Shambhuji's court. Aurangzeb viewed these developments very seriously and took all out efforts to finish off Shambhuji. Marathas under Shambhuji were in no position to resist the Mughals. Aurangzeb himself arrived in the Deccan in 1681. Aurangzeb's main goal was the annexation of Bijapur and Golconda. These two sultanates fell to Aurangzeb by 1687. In little over a year, Shambhuji was captured by the Mughals and, after torture, put to death.



Shambhuji



Shambhuji was under the wicked influence of his family priest Kavi Kalash. Kavi Kalash was the caretaker of Shambhuji in Varanasi during Shivaji's flight from Agra. He later brought Shambhuji safely to Raigarh. His dominance in the Court became absolute in course of time, as Shambhuji looked to his advice for everything. Kavi Kalash was a distinguished scholar and poet. But he was a practitioner of witchcraft. So the orthodox Hindus in the court had developed a deep hatred for him. When Shambhuji was captured by the Mughal army, he was found to be in the company of Kavi Kalash. So both of them were subjected to all forms of torture and then executed by the orders of Aurangzeb.

## Shahu Maharaja

Shivaji's grandson Shahu means honest, originally a name given by Aurangzeb to contrast his character with that of Shivaji) ruled from 1708 to 1749. During the first half of the eighteenth century, consolidation of royal power was achieved through conferment of royal entitlements upon those who served Shahu.



Shahu Maharaja

During Shahu's 40-year reign there was increase in the territory under the Maratha control, from which tribute was regularly extracted. More centralised and strong state structure also began to take shape. Every household, including that of landed household, profited from state employment.

## Peshwas

Balaji Vishwanath (1713–1720) began his career as a small revenue official and became Peshwa in 1713. Much against the advice from his close circles, Shahu appointed 20-year-old Viswanath's eldest son Bajirao to occupy the office of Peshwa.



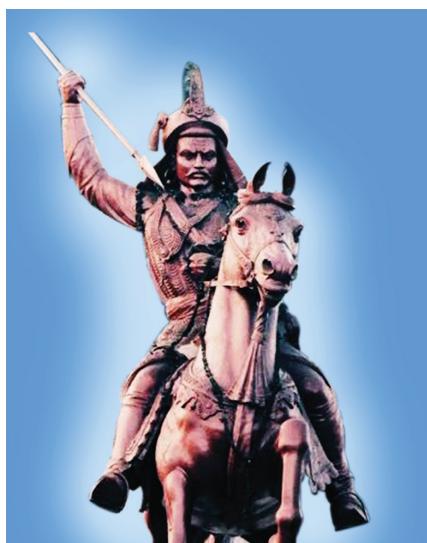
Balaji Vishwanath

## Bajirao (1720–1740)

Bajirao decided to launch a major Maratha onslaught against the Mughals and the Nizam of Hyderabad. He assumed the powers of the commander-in-chief. He was wise in his choice of commanders for these campaigns. Instead of relying on the traditional elite group, namely Deshmukhs, he gave commands to the Gaikwad,



Holkar and Shinde or Scindia families who had been loyal to the emperor Shahu, his father Balaji Viswanath and to him.



Bajirao

### The Prominent Maratha families

- Gaikwad at Baroda
- Bhonsle at Nagpur
- Holkar at Indore
- Shinde or Scindia at Gwalior
- Peshwa at Pune

Bajirao proclaimed wars against Malwa and Gujarat and freed them from Mughal domination. The Mughal army and the troops of the Nizam that intervened on behalf of the Mughals were defeated. Bajirao succeeded in getting the recognition of Shahu as the king of Maharashtra and overlord of the rest of the Deccan, from which the tribute of Chauth and Sardeshmukhi could be legally collected by the Maratha officials. Bajirao centralised the fiscal functions in Pune. This helped to receive the prompt transmission of tribute from the Deccan.

The Maratha army, which consisted of no more than 5000 horsemen and no artillery,

had by 1720 had doubled in its size. Yet they were no match for the Mughals and the Nizam. The success of Marathas against the Mughals was mainly due to the weakness of the latter. The Maratha dominance in the Deccan is also attributed to the qualities of Maratha officials and generals who grew up under Shahu and the Peshwas.

### Balaji Bajirao (1740–1761)



Balaji Bajirao

When Balaji Bajirao was the Peshwa, Emperor Shahu died (1749). A possible succession struggle among factions of the royal family was averted, thanks to the timely intervention of Balaji Bajirao. He summoned all the contending factions and forced them to accept the conditions he laid down. He decided that the capital of the kingdom would henceforward be Pune, not Satara. All power and authority was now concentrated in the Peshwa's office. Balaji Bajirao now commanded an army of paid soldiers. The Maratha peasant warrior band was reconfigured and its run came to an end. Maratha soldiers were not permitted now to retire from battle fields each year for the purpose of cultivating their land. Soldiers were required to live in forts and towns far away from



their home. They were trained as infantrymen as well as horsemen. The large guns were nominally under the command of Maratha officers. But those who fired and maintained them were mostly Portuguese, French and British.

During the period of the Peshwa Balaji Bajirao, the northern frontiers of the Maratha state were rapidly touching Rajasthan, Delhi and the Punjab. At some point, the Maratha tributary regime extended itself to within fifty miles of Delhi. The Marathas launched raids from Nagpur against Bihar, Bengal and Odisha. Notwithstanding the conflict between the Marathas and the Nizam over Karnataka, Tamil, Kannada and Telugu regions were effectively brought under the control of the Marathas. Between 1745 and 1751 plundering expeditions were launched yearly by the Maratha chieftain Rahuji Bhonsle.

### Maratha Administration under Peshwas

The revenue administration of Peshwas was headed by a key official called the Kamavisdar. He was appointed by the Peshwa. He was empowered to maintain a small body of soldiers to police the administrative area, from where tribute or tax had to be collected. A small staff of clerks and servants were employed to maintain the revenue records. These records were randomly checked by the office of the Peshwa. The contracts for revenue collection was auctioned annually after the revenue for a particular place was estimated by the Peshwa's civil servants, based on previous years' yields. A prospective tax or revenue collector who won the contract was expected to have a reputation for wealth and probity. He was required to

pay a portion of the whole of the anticipated revenue – one-third to one half – either out of his own wealth or from the money borrowed from bankers. Judging from the ledgers of correspondence and account books, it is evident that the Peshwas were keen on accurate record-keeping. The Peshwa regimes looked distinctly modern in comparison with the Mughals to whose fall they contributed militarily.

### The Fall of Marathas

The imperial moment of the Marathas sadly ended at Panipat near Delhi in 1761. The Marathas' attempt to extend their domain beyond Punjab was checked by the king of the Afghans, Ahmad Shah Abdali.



Ahmad Shah Abdali

Abdali invaded eight times before finally marching onto Delhi. The Marathas were now divided among several commanders, who approached the battle with different tactics. Artillery decided the battle in January 1761. The mobile artillery of the Afghans proved lethal against both Maratha cavalry and infantry. The Maratha army was shattered and the surviving men took six months to return to Maharashtra from Panipat to report the tragedy. By then Maratha supremacy over the sub-continent was effectively over.



## Summary

- ❖ The factors responsible for the rise and expansion of Maratha rule are explored.
- ❖ Early life of Shivaji and the influences that worked on him are traced.
- ❖ Shivaji's military raids and victory over Bijapur Sultan's army inviting Aurangzeb's intervention are discussed.
- ❖ Confrontation of Shivaji with Aurangzeb and their fallout in the Deccan are dealt with.
- ❖ Maratha administration under Shivaji is highlighted.
- ❖ Maratha affairs after the death of Shivaji under Shambhuji and Sahu are analysed.
- ❖ Peshwas emerging de facto rulers and their contribution to the continuance of Maratha power are explained.
- ❖ Modernisation of administration under the Peshwas and the end of Maratha supremacy after the Third Battle of Panipat are detailed.

| Glossary |             |   |                           |
|----------|-------------|---|---------------------------|
| 1.       | hymns       | poems in praise of God                              | துதிபாடல்கள் / பாசுரங்கள் |
| 2.       | audaciously | boldly  | துணிச்சலான                |
| 3.       | fortresses  | a strongly fortified town                           | கோட்டை / அரண்             |
| 4.       | suzerainty  | the right of a country to rule over another country | மேலாதிக்கம்               |
| 5.       | conferment  | granting of (a title)                               | வழங்கப்பட்ட               |
| 6.       | summoned    | ordering the presence of                            | வரவழைக்கப்பட்ட            |
| 7.       | shattered   | (heart)broken, broken (glass), upset                | மனமுடைந்த                 |

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## Evaluation

### I. Choose the correct answer

1. Who was the teacher and guardian of Shivaji?  
a) Dadaji Kondadev      b) Kavi Kalash  
c) Jijabai      d) Ramdas
2. How was the Prime Minister of Maratha kings known?  
a) Deshmukh      b) Peshwa  
c) Panditrao      d) Patil
3. Name the family priest of Shambhuji who influenced him in his day-to-day administration.  
a) Shahu      b) Anaji Datta  
c) Dadaji Kondadev      d) Kavi Kalash
4. What was the backbone of Shivaji's army in the beginning?  
a) Artillery      b) Cavalry  
c) Infantry      d) Elephantry
5. Who proclaimed wars and freed Malwa and Gujarat from Mughal domination?  
a) Balaji Vishwanath      b) Bajirao  
c) Balaji Bajirao      d) Shahu



### II. Fill in the Blanks

1. The spread of the \_\_\_\_\_ movement in Maharashtra helped the Maratha people develop consciousness and oneness.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ was the key official of revenue administration of Peshwa.

3. The imperial moment of the Marathas sadly ended at \_\_\_\_\_ in 1761.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ was the foreign minister in the Ashtapradhan.
5. Shambhuji succeeded Shivaji after a succession tussle with\_\_\_\_\_.

### III. Match the following

- |                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Shaji Bhonsle | - Mother of Shivaji  |
| 2. Shambhuji     | - General of Bijapur |
| 3. Shahu         | - Shivaji's father   |
| 4. Jijabai       | - Son of Shivaji     |
| 5. Afzal khan    | - Shivaji's grandson |

### IV. True or False

1. The rocky and mountainous terrain gave protection to the Marathas from invaders.
2. Hymns composed in Sanskrit by the Bhakti saints were sung by people of all castes and classes.
3. Shivaji captured Puranhar from the Mughals.
4. Deshmukhs held sway over rural regions and their control was over between twenty and hundred villages.
5. Abdali invaded ten times before finally marching on Delhi.

### V. Consider the following statements.

**Tick (✓) the appropriate answer:**

1. **Assertion (A):** Soldiers were to live in forts and towns far away from home  
**Reason (R):** Maratha soldiers were not permitted to retire from battle fields each year for the purpose of cultivating their land.  
a) R is correct explanation of A



- b) R is not the correct explanation of A
  - c) A is Wrong and R is correct
  - d) A and R are wrong
2. **Statement I :** Judging from the ledgers of correspondence and account books, Peshwas were keen on accurate record-keeping.
- Statement II:** Artillery decided the battle at Panipat in 1761.
- a) I is correct
  - b) II is correct
  - c) I and II are correct
  - d) I and II are false

### 3. Find the odd one out

Shahji, Shivaji, Shambhuji, Shahu, Rahuji Bhonsle.

### 4. Find out the wrong pair

- |            |         |
|------------|---------|
| 1. Gaikwad | Baroda  |
| 2. Peshwa  | Nagpur  |
| 3. Holkar  | Indore  |
| 4. Shinde  | Gwalior |

### 5. Arrange the events in chronological order

- I) Shivaji became totally independent after the death of his guardian Kondadev.
- II) Emperor Shahu died when Balaji Bajirao was Peshwa.
- III) Shivaji resumed his military raids after his father's death and conquered Javali.
- IV) Balaji Vishwanath became Peshwa.

## VI. Answer in one or two sentences

- 1. The impact of Bhakti movement on Marathas.

- 2. Chauth and Sardeshmukhi
- 3. Role of Kamavisdar in Maratha revenue administration.
- 4. Execution of Shambhuji by Mughal Army.
- 5. Battle of Panipat fought in 1761.

## VII. Answer the following.

- 1. Examine the essential features of Maratha administration under Shivaji.

## VIII. HOTs

- 1. Compare the revenue administration of the Peshwas with that of Shivaji.

## IX. Map

- 1. Maratha Empire with prominent cities and forts.

## X. Student Activity

- 1. Match the responsibilities of Ashtapradhan

| A             | B                    |
|---------------|----------------------|
| Amatya        | - Foreign Minister   |
| Waqia – Navis | - Commander-in-Chief |
| Sumant        | - Finance Minister   |
| Senapati      | - Interior Minister  |

### 2. Group Activity

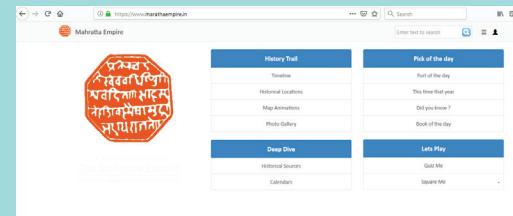
Collect information about the Thanjavur Marathas with special reference to their contribution to education, art and architecture.



## ICT CORNER

# Explore ‘The Marathas’

Lets' Explore, Quiz and 'Play'



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- Step 1:** Type the URL <https://www.marathaempire.in/> or scan the QR code to open the website.
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- Step-3:** You can take self-evaluation through ‘Quiz Me Now’ in this website.
- Step-4:** You can play ‘Square Me’ in this website by using the instructions given there.

Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

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# GEOGRAPHY





# Unit -I

## Resources



### Learning Objectives

- ❖ To know the importance of resources
- ❖ To describe the renewable resources
- ❖ To understand the non-renewable resources
- ❖ To identify the fossil fuel resources



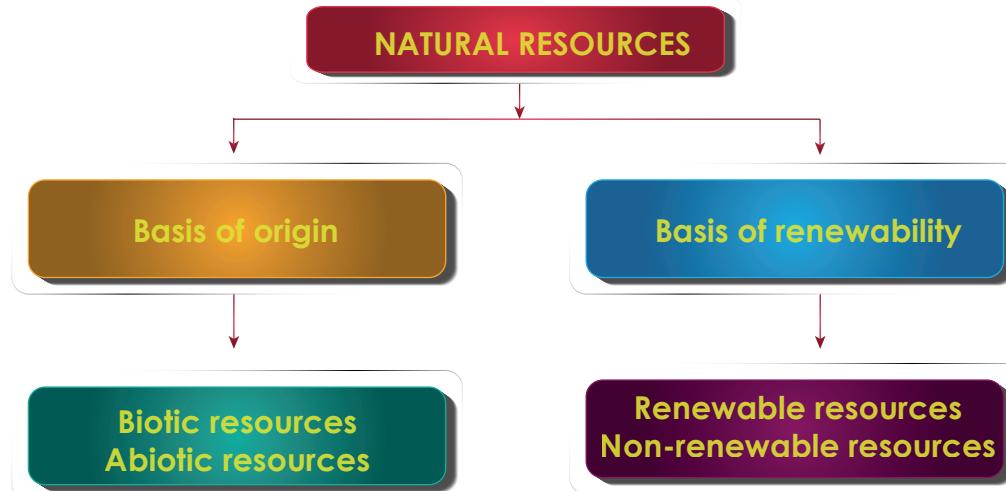
### Introduction

A country's social, economic and political strength lies in the distribution, utilization and conservation of its resources. Anything which can be used for satisfying the human needs is called resource. Natural resources are resources that exist without action of humankind. Natural resources are obtained from environment. Many natural resources are essential for human

survival. Resources always cannot be consumed in their original form, but they must be processed into usable commodities and usable things.

### Importance of resource

- ❖ Natural resources satisfy daily needs of man such as food, clothing and shelter.
- ❖ Natural resources also contribute immensely to boost up a nation's economy.





On the basis of origin, resources may be divided into two types. They are:

1. Biotic resources
2. Abiotic resources

### 1. Biotic resources

Biotic resources are found in the biosphere which are obtained from living and organic materials. It includes forests, crops, birds, animals, fishes, man and materials that can be obtained from them. Fossil fuels such as coal and petroleum are also included in this category because they are formed from decayed organic matter.



### 2. Abiotic resources

Abiotic resources are the non-living parts of an environment. Examples of abiotic resources include land, water, air, sunlight and heavy metals including ores such as gold, iron, copper, silver etc.

On the basis of renewability, resources can be divided into two types. They are:

1. Renewable resources
2. Non - renewable resources

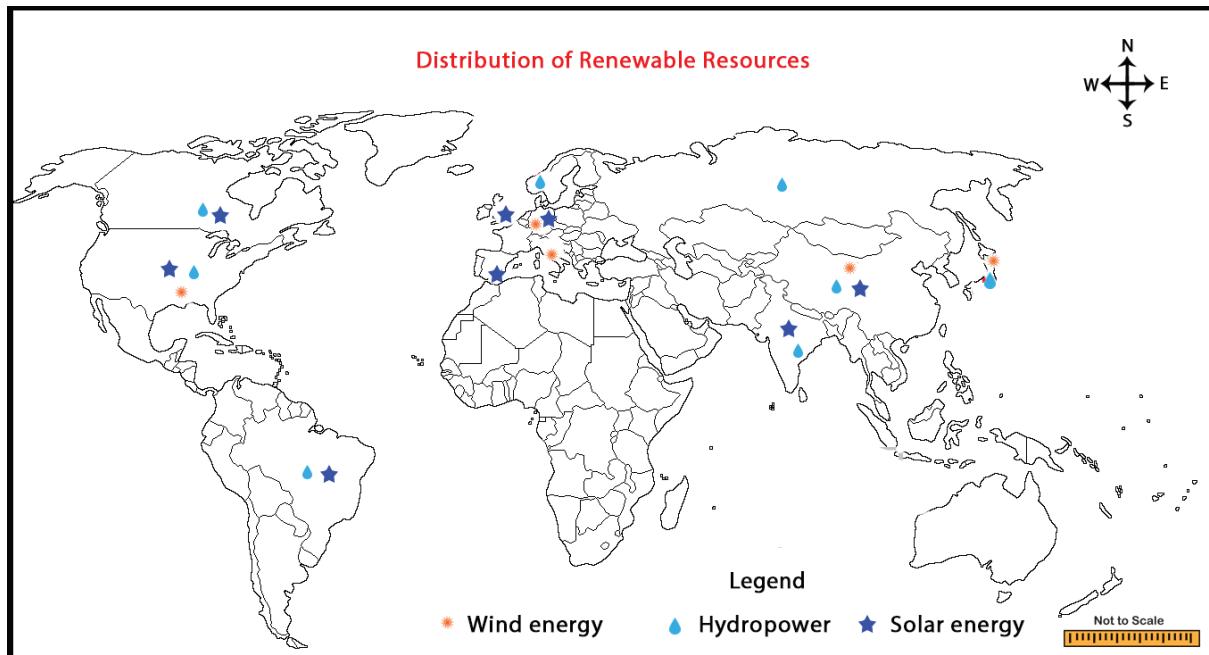
## 1. Renewable resources

A renewable resource is a resource which can be used repeatedly and replaced naturally. Renewable resources harvested and used rationally will not produce pollution. The use of renewable resources and energy sources is increasing worldwide.

**Example:** solar energy, wind energy, and hydropower.

### Solar energy

The sun produces energy in the form of heat and light. Solar energy is not harmful to the environment. Photovoltaic devices or solar cells, directly convert solar energy into electricity. Individual solar cell in group panel can perform small applications from charging calculator, watch batteries, to large such as to power residential dwellings. Photovoltaic power plants and concentrating solar power plants are the largest solar applications covering acres. India, China, Japan, Italy and States of America are major utilizers of solar energy in the world.





Kamuthi solar power project is one of the largest solar power projects in the world. It is situated in Ramanathapuram District in Tamilnadu. The Kamuthi solar power project was completed on 21st September 2016. Investment of this project is around 4,550 Crores. The installed capacity of this project is 648 MW.



Kamuthi solar power plant

## Wind energy

Wind power is clean energy since wind turbines does not produce any emissions. In recent years, wind energy has become one of the most economical and renewable energy technologies. The Classic Dutch windmill harnessed the wind's energy hundreds of years ago. Modern wind turbines with three blades dot the landscape today, turning wind into electricity. Major wind energy producing countries are United States, China, Germany, Spain, India, United Kingdom, Canada and Brazil.



Wind mill

## Major wind farms in India

| S. No. | Wind Forms | District    | State       | Installed Capacity (MW) |
|--------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 1.     | Muppandal  | Kanyakumari | Tamil Nadu  | 1,500                   |
| 2.     | Jaisalmer  | Jaisalmer   | Rajasthan   | 1,064                   |
| 3.     | Brahmanvel | Dhule       | Maharashtra | 528                     |
| 4.     | Dhalgaon   | Sangli      | Maharashtra | 278                     |
| 5.     | Damanjodi  | Damanjodi   | Odisha      | 99                      |

## Hydropower

Water is considered as a great source of energy. At present, water is used for producing hydroelectric power. Hydroelectricity is generated from moving water with high velocity and great falls with the help of turbines and dynamos. Hydroelectricity power is the cheapest and most versatile source of energy out of all the known energy. Hydroelectric power is a renewable resource. China, Canada, Brazil, United States of America, Russia, India, Norway

and Japan are some countries producing hydroelectricity. China is the largest producer of hydro-electricity.



Itaipu Dam, Brazil and Paraguay



| S. No. | Hydro - electricity project | Installed Capacity (MW) | State          |
|--------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1.     | Tehri Dam                   | 2,400                   | Uttarakhand    |
| 2.     | Srisailam Dam               | 1,670                   | Andhra Pradesh |
| 3.     | Nagarjuna Sagar Dam         | 960                     | Andhra Pradesh |
| 4.     | Sardar Sarovar Dam          | 1,450                   | Gujarat        |
| 5.     | Bhakra Nangal Dam           | 1,325                   | Punjab         |
| 6.     | Koyna Dam                   | 1,960                   | Maharashtra    |
| 7.     | Mettur dam                  | 120                     | Tamil Nadu     |
| 8.     | Idukki dam                  | 780                     | Kerala         |

| S.No. | Name of the Project | Country             | River     | Installed Capacity in MW |
|-------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1.    | Three gorges Dam    | China               | Yangtze   | 22,500                   |
| 2.    | Itaipu Dam          | Brazil and Paraguay | Parana    | 14,000                   |
| 3.    | Xiluodu Dam         | China               | Jinsha    | 13,860                   |
| 4.    | Guri Dam            | Venezuela           | Caroni    | 10,235                   |
| 5.    | Tucurui Dam         | Brazil              | Tocantins | 8,370                    |

**DO YOU KNOW?** Three Gorges Dam in China is the largest hydroelectricity project in the world. Its construction started in 1994 and ended in 2012. The installed capacity of the dam is 22,000MW.

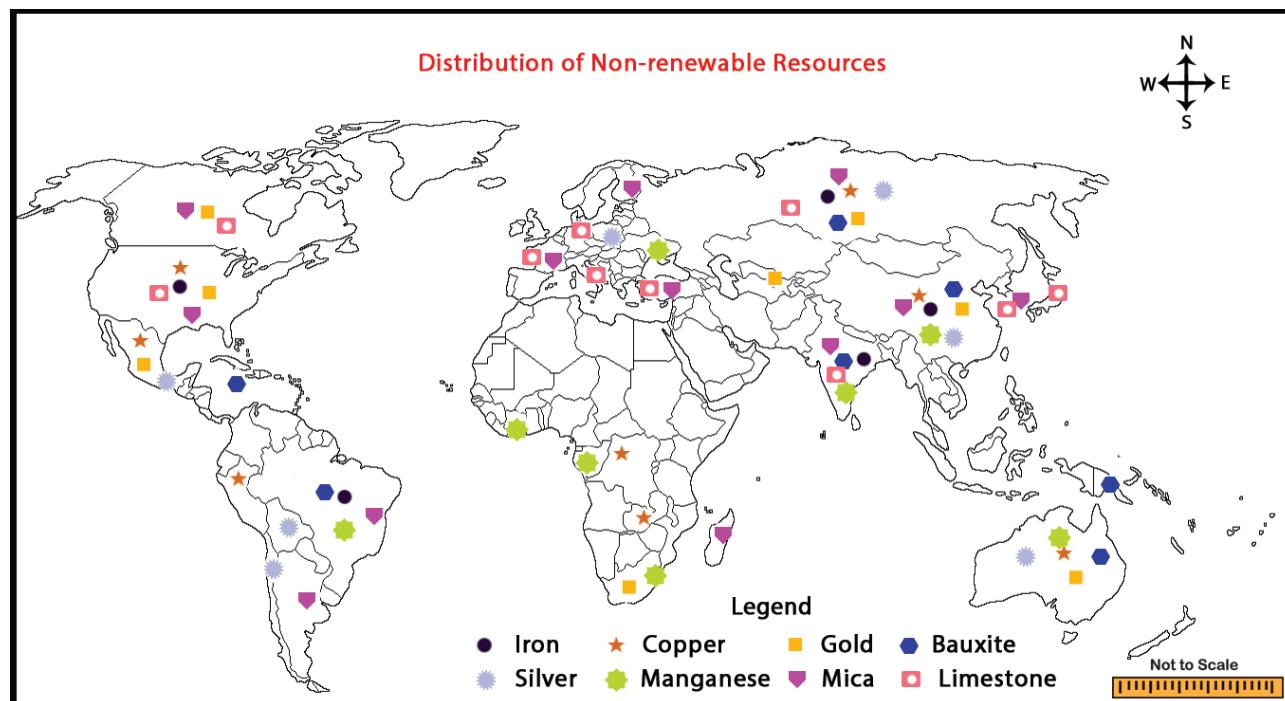


Three Gorges Dam, China

## Non-renewable resources

Natural resources that once consumed and cannot be replaced is called non-renewable resources. Continuous consumption of non-renewable resources ultimately leads to exhaustion. Examples of non-renewable resources include fossil fuels such as coal, petroleum, natural gas and mineral resources such as iron, copper, bauxite, gold, silver and others. Non-renewable resources can be divided into three types. They are:

- ❖ Metallic resources
- ❖ Non - Metallic resources
- ❖ Fossil fuel resources



## Metallic resources

Metallic resources are the type of resources that are composed of metals. These are hard substances, which are the good conductors of heat and electricity. Examples for metallic resources are iron, copper, gold, bauxite, silver, manganese, etc.

### Iron

Iron is the fourth most common element in the Earth's crust and the most widely available metal. Magnetite and hematite are the common ores for iron, which occurs normally in the rocks of the crust. Iron ore is the key raw material in making steel and 98% of the iron ore extracted is used to make Steel. Pure iron ore is very soft, but its strength is increased many folds by adding small amounts of carbon and manganese. Its low cost and high strength makes it usable in engineering applications, such as the construction of machinery and machine tools, automobiles, construction of large ships, structural components of buildings, bridges, etc.

Iron ore is mined in about 50 countries. Among the iron ore producing countries, China, Australia, Brazil, India and Russia are the principal producers accounting for 85% of the world's total output of iron ore. These countries have 70% of the total reserves of the world. Jharkhand, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka and Goa account for over 95 per cent of the total reserves of India. Iron ores are found at Kanjamalai in Tamil Nadu.

### Copper

Copper is one of the first metals known and used by man. Copper ranks as the third most consumed industrial metal in the world after Iron and Aluminium. Copper is a good conductor of heat and electricity. About three quarters of copper is used to make electrical wires, telecommunication cables and electronics.

Chile is the world's number one country in the production of copper. Other copper producing countries are Peru, China, United States, Congo and Australia.



## Gold

It is a rare and precious metal. Hence, it has high demand in world markets. Formerly, it was used for minting coins, but now it is used for making ornaments and in dentistry. It is regarded as a symbol of prosperity and a form of wealth.

China is the world's largest producer of gold. Also, Australia, Russia, United States, South Africa and Canada are the major producers of gold. Among these countries, Australia has 9500 tons reserves of gold ore and it is world's leading country in gold ore reserves. Karnataka is the largest producer of gold in India. Kolar Gold Field is one of the deepest mines of the world.



Kolar Gold Field

## Bauxite

Aluminium is produced from bauxite ore. There are several ores that contain aluminium but bauxite contains more aluminium. Aluminium has wide range of uses compared to other metals. Aluminium is light in weight, tough and cheaper, which makes it popular metal for constructional purpose. It is mainly used in the construction of aircrafts, ship, automobiles, railway coaches and etc. Aluminium is a good conductor of electricity and heat, hence, it is used for making electrical cables. It is highly resistant to corrosion. By the addition of small quantities of other metals to aluminium, it

creates superior alloy than pure aluminium.  
E.g: Duralumin.

Australia is the world's leading bauxite producer. Apart from that, China, Brazil, India, Guinea, Jamaica and Russia also play an important role in bauxite production. One fourth of the bauxite mineral deposits found in Guinea alone. Odisha, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu and Madhya Pradesh are the main bauxite producing states in India. The bauxite deposits are mainly found in the Shervaroy hills of Salem district, Tamil Nadu.

## Silver

Silver is also a precious metal like gold. It has a wider variety of uses than gold. It is used in making jewellery, dentistry, photographic goods, electroplating industry and in the manufacture of luxury goods. About two-third of silver is used for monetary purposes. Like gold, silver also resists corrosion.

Mexico is the world's leading silver producer. Following Mexico, Peru, China, Russia, Australia and Chile produce more silver. More than 50% of silver is found only in South American countries.

## Manganese

Manganese is a steel-greyed, hard, shiny and brittle metal. The common ores of manganese are Pyrolusite Manganese, Psilomelane and Rhodochrosite. Manganese is essential for the production of good quality Steel. Manganese is used in making electrical batteries. It is also used as colouring material in bricks, pottery, floor tiles. Manganese compounds are used in making disinfecting liquids, bleaching powder, fertilizers etc.



South Africa is the world's leading producer of manganese. The significant producers of manganese in the world are China, Australia, Gabon, Brazil and India. All these producers have large reserves of manganese and are significant exporters in the world.

### Non-metallic resources

Non-metallic resources can be described as the resources that do not comprise of metals. These are not hard substances, and are not good conductors of heat and electricity. Example for non-metallic resources are mica, limestone, gypsum, dolomite, phosphate, etc.

#### Mica

Muscovite and Biotite are the common ores of Mica. It is one of the indispensable minerals used in electrical and electronics industry. It is used as an insulating material in electrical industry. In powder form, it is used for making lubricating oils and decorative wallpapers.

China is the world's top producer of mica. Russia, Finland, United States, Turkey and Republic of Korea also play a major role in the production of mica. About 95 per cent of India's mica is found in just three states of Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and Jharkhand.

#### Limestone

Limestone is a sedimentary rock, composed mainly by skeletal fragments of marine organisms such as coral, foraminifera and molluscs. About 10% of sedimentary rocks are limestones. Mostly limestone is made into crushed stone and used as a construction material. It is used for facing stone, floor tiles, stair treads, windows sills and many other purposes. Crushed limestone is used in smelting and other metal refining process. Portland cement is made from limestone.

China produces more than half of limestone production in the world. Beside this, United States, India, Russia, Brazil and Japan also produce more Limestone. Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh and Tamil Nadu Produce over three-fourths of the total limestone of India. In Tamil Nadu, Large scale limestone reserve found in Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, Ariyalur, Salem, Coimbatore and Madurai districts.

### Fossil fuel resources

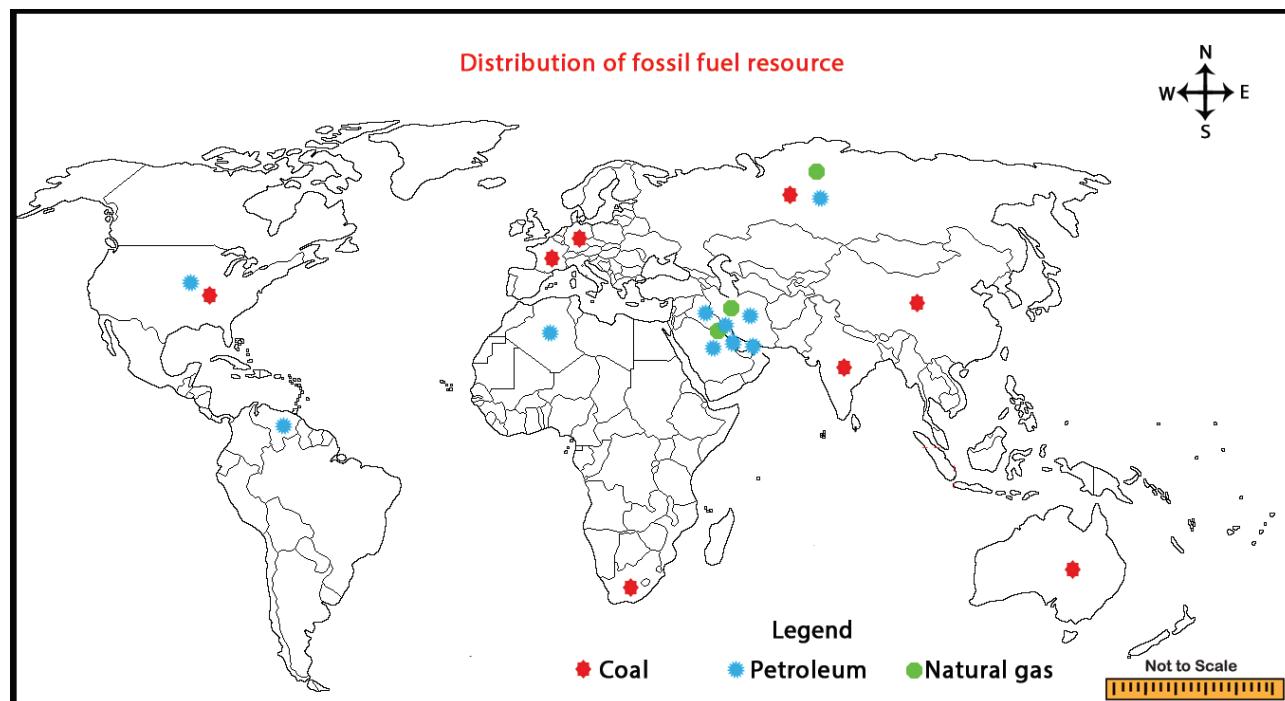
Fossil fuel resources are normally formed from the remains of dead plants and animals. They are often referred to as fossil fuels and are formed from hydrocarbon. When fossil fuels are burned, they become a great source of heat energy. Example for fossil fuel resources are coal, petroleum and natural gas.

#### Coal

This is the most abundantly found fossil fuel that forms when dead plant matter is converted into peat. It is used as a domestic fuel, in industries such as iron and steel, steam engines to generate electricity. Electricity produced from coal is called Thermal Power. Coal is classified into four types based on carbon content. They are:

1. Anthracite
2. Bituminous
3. Lignite
4. Peat.

The leading coal producers of the world is China. Beside this, India, USA, Australia, Indonesia and Russia also produce more coal. The coal producing areas of India are Raniganj in West Bengal, Neyveli in Tamil Nadu, Jharia, Dhanbad, and Bokaro in Jharkhand.



Neyveli coal field



Most of the coal deposits that we use now, were formed about 300 million years ago.

Much of the earth was covered with steamy swamps. As the plants and trees are dead, their remains were buried underneath the swamps. Eventually, they were transformed into coal beneath the ground due to excessive heat and pressure.

## Petroleum

Petroleum is found between the layers of rocks and is drilled from oil fields located in Offshore and coastal areas. This is sent to refineries which process crude oil and produce variety of products like diesel, petrol, kerosene, wax, plastics and lubricants. Petroleum and its

derivatives are called **Black Gold** as they are very valuable.

The chief petroleum producing countries are Saudi Arabia, Iran, Iraq and Qatar. The other major producers are USA, Russia, Venezuela, Kuwait, UAE and Algeria. The leading producers in India are Digboi in Assam, Bombay High in Mumbai and the deltas of Krishna and Godavari rivers.



Bombay High oil field

## Natural gas

Natural gas is found with petroleum deposits and is released when crude oil is brought to the surface. It can be used as a domestic and industrial fuel.



More than 50% of the global natural gas reserves are found in United States of America, Russia, Iran and Qatar.

In India, Krishna and Godavari Delta, Assam, Gujarat and some areas of offshore in Mumbai have natural gas resources.

### Wrap up

- ❖ Natural resources are obtained from environment.
- ❖ Renewable resources can be used repeatedly and replaced naturally.
- ❖ Non-renewable resources once consumed, cannot be replaced.
- ❖ Solar energy is not harmful to the environment.
- ❖ Hydroelectricity is generated from moving water with high velocity and great falls with the help of turbines and dynamos.
- ❖ Metallic resources are iron, copper, gold, bauxite, silver, manganese etc.
- ❖ Non-metallic resources are mica, limestone, gypsum, dolomite, phosphate, etc.
- ❖ Fossil fuels resources are normally formed from the remains of dead plants and animals.

### Glossary

|     |                        |  |                       |
|-----|------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 1.  | Biotic resources       | obtained from living and organic materials   | உயிரியல் வளங்கள்      |
| 2.  | Abiotic resources      | obtained from non-living, non-organic materials  | உயிரற்ற வளங்கள்       |
| 3.  | Hydroelectricity       | generated from moving water with high velocity and great falls with the help of turbines and dynamos | நீர் மின் சக்தி       |
| 4.  | Metallic resources     | resources that are composed of metals  | உலோக வளங்கள்          |
| 5.  | Non-metallic resources | resources that do not comprise of metals   | உலோகம் அல்லாத வளங்கள் |
| 6.  | Duralumin              | a hard, light alloy of aluminium with copper and other elements                                      | துராலுமின்            |
| 7.  | Fossil fuel            | formed from the remains of dead plants and animals   | படிம ஏரிபொருள்        |
| 8.  | Thermal Power          | Electricity produced from coal   | அனல் மின் சக்தி       |
| 9.  | Black Gold             | Petroleum and its derivatives  | கருப்புத் தங்கம்      |
| 10. | Precious metal         | a metal that is valuable and usually rare  | விலை மதிப்பற்ற உலோகம் |



## Evaluation

### I. Choose the correct answer

1. Which one of the following is renewable resource?  
a) Gold    b) Iron  
c) Petrol    d) solar energy
2. Where is the largest solar power project situated in India?  
a) Kamuthi    b) Aralvaimozhi  
c) Muppandal    d) Neyveli
3. Which is one of the first metals known and used by man?  
a) Iron    b) copper  
c) Gold    d) Silver
4. -----is one of the indispensable minerals used in electrical and electronics Industry.  
a) Limestone    b) Mica  
c) Manganese    d) Silver
5. Electricity produced from coal is called-----  
a) Thermal Power    b) Nuclear power  
c) Solar power    d) Hydel power



### II. Fill in the blanks

1. ----- is the largest producer of hydro-electricity.
2. Iron ores found at ----- in Tamil Nadu.
3. ----- is produced from bauxite ore.
4. ----- is used in making electrical batteries.
5. Petroleum and its derivatives are called-----.

### III. Match the following

|    |                       |                    |
|----|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. | Renewable resource    | - Iron             |
| 2. | Metallic resource     | - Mica             |
| 3. | Non-metallic resource | - Wind energy      |
| 4. | Fossil fuel           | - Sedimentary rock |
| 5. | Limestone             | - Petroleum        |

### IV. Consider the following statement and tick (✓) the appropriate answer

1. Assertion (A) : Wind power is Clean Energy.

Reason (R) : Wind turbines do not produce any emissions

- a. A and R are correct and R explains A
- b. A and R are correct but R does not explain A
- c. A is incorrect but R is correct
- d. Both A and R are incorrect

2. Assertion (A) : Natural gas is found with petroleum deposits.

Reason (R) : It can be used as a domestic and industrial fuel.

- a. A and R are correct and R explains A
- b. A and R are correct but R does not explain A
- c. A is incorrect but R is correct
- d. Both A and R are incorrect

### V. Answer the following

1. Define - Resource.
2. What are the uses of iron?
3. What are the major utilizers of solar energy in the world?
4. Name the types of coal based on carbon content.
5. Give a short note on Duralumin.

### VI. Distinguish the following

1. Biotic resources and abiotic resources
2. Renewable resources and non-renewable resources
3. Metallic resources and non-metallic resources



### VII. Give reason

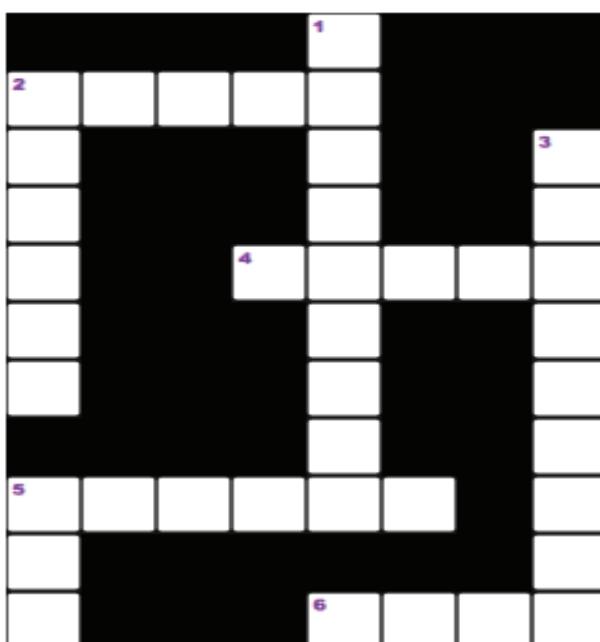
1. Aluminium has wide range of uses compared to other metals.
2. Water is considered as a great source of energy.

### IX. Activity

1. Mark the metallic resources on the given outline map of the world.



2. Crossword puzzle



#### Across

2. The leading coal producers of the world
4. Considered as a great source of energy
5. Precious metal like gold

### VIII. Answer in a paragraph

1. Explain the different types of renewable resources.
2. Describe the non-metallic resources.
3. What are the different types of fossil fuel resources? Explain them.

6. Used as an insulating material in electrical industry

#### Down

1. Used in making electrical batteries
2. Good conductor of heat and electricity
3. The largest producer of gold in India
5. Produces energy in the form of heat and light

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## Unit -II

# Tourism



### Learning Objectives

- ❖ Define the concept of tourism
- ❖ Appreciate the basic and geographical components of tourism
- ❖ Understand the types of tourism
- ❖ Identify the places of tourist attraction in India
- ❖ Explain the places of tourist attraction in Tamil Nadu



### Introduction

The word tourist was derived from an old English word “tourian” which refers to a person who travels out of his usual environment for not more than one year and less than 24 hours. The purpose of travel may be religious, recreation, business, historical and cultural.

### The Basic components of Tourism

Tourism has become an important source of income for many regions and even for the entire countries of the world. Tourism is an essential part of the life of the society because of its direct impact on social, cultural, educational and economic sector of the nation and on their international relations too.

The three main components of tourism are

- ❖ Attraction
- ❖ Accessibility
- ❖ Amenities.

These three components are together known as A3 concept.

### Attractions

Attractions mainly comprise of two types such as:

- ❖ Natural attraction
- ❖ Cultural attraction

**Natural attraction** includes landscape, seascape, beaches, climatic condition and forests.

**Cultural attraction** are historic monuments and other intellectual creations. Apart from this, cultural attractions also includes fairs and festivals.



## Accessibility

Accessibility means reachability to a particular place of attraction through various means of transportation such as road, rail, water and air. Transport decides the cost of travel and the time consumed in reaching or accessing a specific attraction.

## Amenities

Amenities are the facilities that cater to the needs of a tourist.

1. Accommodations in terms of hotels, restaurants, cafes and other staying units.
2. Travel organizers, Tour operators and Travel Agents
3. Foreign exchange centres, passport and visa agencies
4. Sectors related to Travel Insurance, Safety and Security

## Types of Tourism

From the ancient times, travel is a fascination for mankind. Tourism can be divided on the basis of nature, utility, time and distance as indicated below.

- ❖ Religious tourism
- ❖ Cultural tourism
- ❖ Historical tourism
- ❖ Eco-Tourism
- ❖ Adventure tourism
- ❖ Recreational tourism

## Religious Tourism

Religious tourism is one of the oldest type of tourism, wherein people travel individually or in groups for pilgrimage to a religious location such as temples, churches, mosques and other religious places. Religious tour to

Kasi (Varanasi) by Hindus, to Jerusalem by Christians and to Mecca by Muslims are few of the examples for religious tourism.

## Historical Tourism

It focuses on visiting historically important places like museums, monuments, archaeological areas, forts, temples and so on. Angkor Wat of Cambodia, Taj Mahal of India and Pyramids of Egypt are some of the examples to quote for Historical Tourism.

## Eco-Tourism

Eco tourism typically involves travel to destinations where plants and animals thrive in a naturally preserved environment. Amazon rain forest, African forest safari, trekking in the slopes of Himalayas are the famous incredible Eco friendly attractions.



## Adventure Tourism

Adventure tourism is a type of tourism involving travel to remote or exotic places in order to take part in physically challenging outdoor activities. For e.g. sky dive in Australia, Bungee jumping in New Zealand, mountaineering in the peaks of Himalayas, rafting in the Brahmaputra River at Arunachal Pradesh.

## Recreational Tourism

This type of tourism aims at enjoyment, amusement or pleasure are mainly for 'fun activity'. Waterfalls, hill stations, beaches, and amusement parks are the attractive spots for recreational tourism.



Apart from this, there are certain modern types of tourism, which got developed in recent years.

They are

- ❖ Annual Holiday tourism
- ❖ Industrial Tourism
- ❖ Seasonal Tourism
- ❖ International Tourism
- ❖ Group Tourism
- ❖ Sports Tourism
- ❖ Health Tourism
- ❖ Farm and Rural Tourism.



**Inbound Tourism:** Touring within the native country.

**Outbound Tourism:** Touring in foreign countries

## International Tourism

International tourism is undertaken to visit the places of international importance and to gather knowledge about international culture and customs. For this, there are certain travel forms and formalities to be fulfilled by the tourists, such as passport, Visa, Foreign Currency, Air ticket, Travel insurance, and other immigration details.



Singapore



**VISA** – A document issued to a person (or) a stamp marked on the passport of a person who wants to visit other country.

Tourist VISA

- Recreation sight seeing

Student VISA

- Higher education

Employment VISA – Work in a country

Medical VISA

- Medical treatment in a reputed hospital of a country

## Basic Elements of Tourism attractions

Certain elements are fundamental to attract tourists as travel destinations. They are

- ❖ Pleasant weather
- ❖ Scenic beauty
- ❖ Historical and cultural monuments

## Geographical Components of Tourism

**1. Landforms :** Mountains, Plateaus, Canyons, Valleys, Caves, Cirques, Sand dunes, Coral reefs, Cliffs, etc.,

**2. Water :** Rivers, Lakes, Waterfalls, Hot springs and Geysers, Snow and Glacier, Water Currents, Tides and Waves.

**3. Vegetation :** Forest, Grasslands, Moors, Deserts etc.,

**4. Climate:** Sunshine, Clouds, Admirable Temperature, Rain and Snow.

**5. Animal life:-**

- (a) Wildlife : Birds, Game Reserves, Zoos.
- (b) Hunting and Fishing

**6. Settlement features:-**

- (a) Towns, Cities, Villages
- (b) Historical remains and Monuments



## 7. Culture:-

Ways of life, traditions, folklore, arts and crafts.



**Game Reserves:** An area of land set aside for the protection of wild animals.

## Tourism Attractions in India

India is a country known for its gentle hospitality with spicy food and culture. Visitor friendly traditions with varied life style, culture, heritage, colourful fairs and festivals are abiding attractions for the tourists. All types of land form, varied climate, rich resources for eco and adventure tourism are the versatile specialty of India. Technological parks and science museums, pilgrimage centers with wonderful art and architecture are an added advantage for tourists. Yoga, Ayurveda and Natural remedial Health resorts attract tourists from all over the world.

### Religious Tourism

India being a multi-religious country, religious tourism is the most popular type of tourism. Various package tours are organized for the people to attend the religious rituals and to visit places of religious importance. Most famous religious spots of India are as follows:

|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Rameswaram                   | - Tamil Nadu      |
| Kanchipuram                  | - Tamil Nadu      |
| Varanasi(Kasi)               | - Uttarpradesh    |
| Saranath                     | - Uttarpradesh    |
| Vaishnavadevi temple         | - Jammu & Kashmir |
| St. Francis Xavier Cathedral | - Goa             |
| Amritsar                     | - Punjab          |
| Monasteries of Ladakh        | - Jammu & Kashmir |

Scenic attraction is a very important factor in tourism. Scenery consisting of Mountains, Lakes, Waterfall, Glacier, Forests, and Deserts are the major features attracting people to visit them. India is blessed with nature and gifted with immense beauty from rolling hills to deep valley and snow covered mountains to lush green carpet.

### Hill Stations in India

The Indian sub continent has seven principal mountains ranges and the largest of all is the Himalayas that lie in the northern part of India. Most of the Himalayan hill stations in India are located in states of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, West Bengal, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Meghalaya. Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala have hill stations in the Western Ghats. Andhra Pradesh, Odisha have hill stations in the Eastern Ghats.



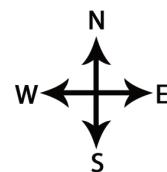
Kodaikanal Hill Station

### The beautiful hill stations in India

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Kodaikanal, Ooty    | - Tamil Nadu       |
| Nainital, Mussoorie | - Uttarakhand      |
| Darjeeling          | - West Bengal      |
| Gulmarg             | - Jammu & Kashmir  |
| Shillong            | - Meghalaya        |
| Shimla, Manali      | - Himachal pradesh |
| Munnar              | - Kerala           |
| Gangtok             | - Sikkim           |



## India Major Hill Stations





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|-------|--|
| ITC   | - Inclusive Tour Charter                             |
| ITATA | - International Air Transport Association            |
| IATO  | - Indian Association of Tour Operators               |
| TAAI  | - Travel Agents Association of India                 |
| TTTHA | - Tamil Nadu Tour Travel and Hospitality Association |
| TTDC  | - Tamil Nadu Tourism Development Corporation         |

## Water falls in India

In India there are many spectacular and wonderful waterfalls covered by dense forest, huge walls of rock and lush green trees. Among these waterfalls, some are seasonal, while some are perennial. Few of the amazing waterfalls are in swing during the monsoon season. This season brings lot of tourists to these bubbling waterfall sites. Notable waterfalls of India are given below:



Jog Falls

| S.No. | Water falls              | Geographical location   |
|-------|--------------------------|---|
| 1.    | Thalaiyar waterfalls     | Horse tail type located in Dindugul district of Tamil Nadu  |
| 2.    | Jog water falls          | Segmented waterfall (Raja, Rani and thunder) located in Shimoga district of Karnataka.              |
| 3.    | Nohkalikai waterfalls    | Tallest plunge type of waterfall situated in the East khasi hill district of Meghalaya.             |
| 4.    | Talakona waterfalls      | It is the highest waterfall in Andhra Pradesh. A lot of medicinal herbs are seen around the region. |
| 5.    | Aathirappally waterfalls | The Niagara of India, is located in Thrissur district of Kerala.                                    |

## Wild life and Bird Sanctuaries

India possesses a wide range of forests and grasslands. Diversity of these lands makes it one of the hotspot for flora and fauna. The dense and dark forest of Indian States provides suitable habitat for a wide and an unique variety of animals and birds. Royal Bengal Tigers, Indian Lions, Elephants, Rhinoceros, Indian leopard and Reptiles are the major tourist attractions. Bird sanctuaries attract



attention for their exclusive variety of birds. Diverse range of climate of India invite birds from remote places to feed, breed and to nurture their young ones in the Indian bird sanctuaries.



Kaziranga National Park



Push factors in Tourism are Prestige  
Pull factors in Tourism are Amenities.



## Wildlife Sanctuaries in India

| S.No. | Wildlife sanctuary           | State          | Animals                       |
|-------|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 1.    | Mudumalai wildlife sanctuary | Tamil Nadu     | Tiger, Elephant , Bison, Deer |
| 2.    | Kaziranga National Park      | Assam          | Tiger, Deer, Buffalo          |
| 3.    | Ranthambor National Park     | Rajasthan      | Tiger                         |
| 4.    | Kanha National Park          | Madhya Pradesh | Swamp Deer                    |
| 5.    | Sundarbans National Park     | West Bengal    | Bengal Tiger                  |
| 6.    | Gir National Park            | Gujarat        | Lions                         |
| 7.    | Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary    | Karnataka      | Bison, Leopard, Gaur          |
| 8.    | Periyar National Park        | Kerala         | Elephant, Deer                |
| 9.    | Corbett National Park        | Uttarakhand    | Tiger                         |

## Bird Sanctuaries in India

| S.No. | Bird Sanctuary               | State          |
|-------|------------------------------|----------------|
| 1.    | Koonthankulam bird sanctuary | Tamil Nadu     |
| 2.    | Kumarakom bird sanctuary     | Kerala         |
| 3.    | Bharatpur bird sanctuary     | Rajasthan      |
| 4.    | Mayani bird sanctuary        | Maharashtra    |
| 5.    | Uppalapadu bird sanctuary    | Andhra pradesh |
| 6.    | Nal Sarovar bird sanctuary   | Gujarat        |
| 7.    | Nawabganj bird sanctuary     | Uttar Pradesh  |



## Beaches

India is a country with 7517 km long coastline comprising the most beautiful beaches bounded by Arabian sea and Bay of Bengal. Indian beaches are enriched with diverse coastal land forms filled with aquatic flora and fauna . Lush backwater in the lagoons of Kerala and picturesque beaches of Goa such as calangute, Aguda are the notable tourist destinations for water sports activities. The most charming and enchanting beaches of India are listed below.



Beach in Goa

| S.No. | Beaches        | State       | Geographical features  |
|-------|----------------|-------------|--|
| 1.    | Dhanushkodi    | Tamil Nadu  | Turquoise blue sea water   |
| 2.    | Varkala Beach  | Kerala      | Sea Cliffs for wonderful sunset views  |
| 3.    | Tarkarli Beach | Maharashtra | Coral reefs and marine adventure   |
| 4.    | OM Beach       | Karnataka   | Two semi circular caves that join together forming the inverted symbol of OM |
| 5.    | Aguda Beach    | Goa         | A huge hill dominates the southern side of the beach.                        |
| 6.    | Marari Beach   | Kerala      | Saddle like rock(Hammock) Beach  |

## Tourist Attraction in Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu has various tourist attractions like religious centres, spiritual retreat centres, beaches, hill stations, waterfalls, wildlife, art, culture, architecture, crafts, heritage monuments etc. The Government of Tamil Nadu has recognized the importance of tourism long ago and facilitated its development in desired directions. Exploring new avenues like medical tourism and adventure tourism in the past decades have helped Tamil Nadu tourism to achieve more than twenty percent annual growth. Tamil Nadu earns the largest share of income from tourism in India.

## Religious Tourism

Tamil Nadu is a state popularly known as land of Temples and has been the greatest source for spiritual rejuvenation for travellers all over the world. The state is home to around 33,000 ancient temples that mainly belongs to Dravidian style of architecture. Some of the world renowned religious destinations are as follows:



- ❖ Thanjavur Big temple
- ❖ Madurai Meenakshi temple
- ❖ Rameswaram Ramanathaswami temple
- ❖ Temples of Kancheepuram
- ❖ Velankanni Madha church
- ❖ Nagore Dargah



Madurai Meenakshi Temple

### Hill Stations in Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu being situated in the Southern end of the Western and Eastern Ghats, is the home for several hill stations. Popular among them are Udagamandalam (Ooty), Kodaikanal, Yercaud, Coonoor, Valparai, Yelagiri, Sirumalai, Kalrayan Hills and Palani Hills, Shevroy hills and Cardamom Hills. They are also abodes of thick forest and wild life.

|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| Ooty              | - Queen of Hills                           |
| Yercaud           | - Lake forest (Poor Man's Ooty)            |
| Yelagiri          | - 14 hairpin bends                         |
| Kodaikanal        | - Princess of Hill Stations                |
| Kotagiri          | - Green Hills                              |
| Velliangiri Hills | - Kailash of the South                     |
| Kolli Hills       | - motor able terrain with 70 hairpin bends |
| Anaimalai Hills   | - Top slip                                 |
| Meghamalai        | - High wavy mountains                      |
| Javadi            | - Nature's Heaven                          |



### Waterfalls in Tamil Nadu

Mountains and rivers of Tamil Nadu combined together created many endearing waterfalls. Waterfalls in Tamil Nadu with its inspiring natural wonders attracts many tourists. A trek amidst thick green trees, steep hills and a bath in the gushing water is most rejuvenating. Here is the list of famous water falls of Tamil Nadu.

| S.No. | Waterfalls       | Geographical location   |
|-------|------------------|---|
| 1.    | Hogenakkal falls | It is a beautiful waterfall located in Dharmapuri district.                                 |
| 2.    | Kumbakkai falls  | River Pambar cascades to form this fall at the foot hills of Kodaikanal in Theni district.  |
| 3.    | Monkey falls     | This waterfall lies on Anaimalai hills range in Coimbatore surrounded by Evergreen forests. |
| 4.    | Killiur falls    | Situated in the shervarayon hill ranges of the Eastern Ghats.                               |



|    |              |   |
|----|--------------|---|
| 5. | Courtallam   | Courtallam is located in Tirunelveli district. It is known for medical spa.                           |
| 6. | Agaya Gangai | It is a waterfall in Puliacholai on Kolli Hills in Eastern Ghats of Namakkal district.                |
| 7. | Suruli Falls | This falls is also called as Cloud Land falls (or) Meghamalai falls. It is located in Theni district. |

## Wildlife and Bird Sanctuaries in Tamil Nadu

Wildlife sanctuary in Tamil Nadu includes Bird sanctuaries and National Parks. Tamil Nadu is also well known for the diverse natural heritage that it possesses. Hence tourists are highly excited about the wildlife tour across the state. The total area of Tamil Nadu is approximately 130,058 sq.km. 17.6% of the land area comprises of thick forests. Visitors will get to watch a smooth blend of wet evergreen forest, dry and wet deciduous forests, grasslands, sholas, mangroves and thorny scrubs. Besides varied natural vegetation, another prized possession of Tamil Nadu is wildlife Sanctuaries including Tiger, Elephant, Deer, Monkey, Bison etc., for protecting the entire flora and fauna. Wildlife Sanctuaries of the state are enlisted below:



Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary

## Wildlife Sanctuaries

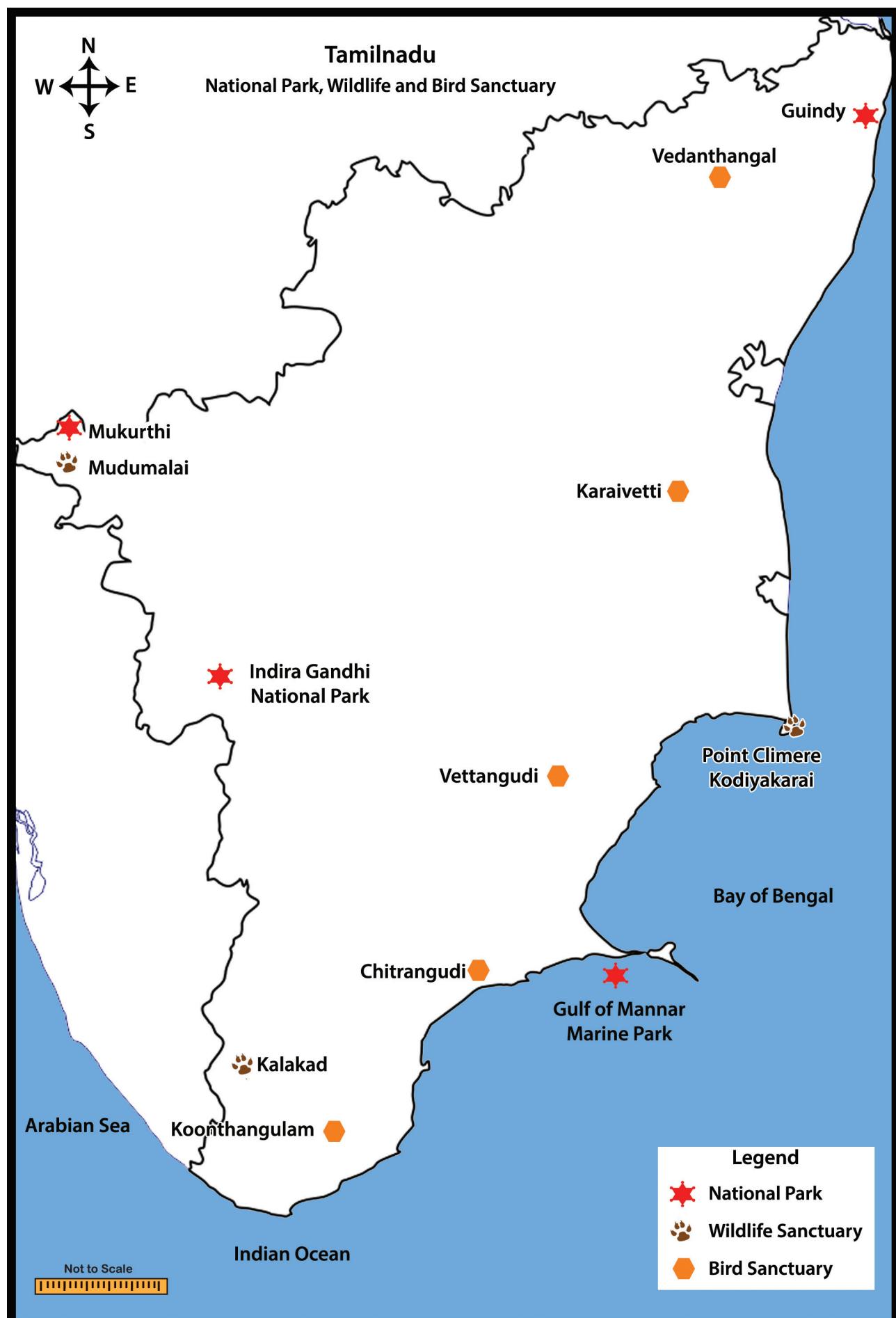
| S.No. | Name of Wildlife Sanctuary        | District     |
|-------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1.    | Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary      | Nilgiris     |
| 2.    | Mundanthurai Wildlife Sanctuary   | Tirunelveli  |
| 3.    | Point Calimere Wildlife Sanctuary | Nagapattinam |
| 4.    | Indira Gandhi Wildlife Sanctuary  | Coimbatore   |
| 5.    | Kalakad Wildlife Sanctuary        | Tirunelveli  |

## Bird Sanctuaries in Tamil Nadu

| S.No. | Name of Birds Sanctuary      | District     |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 1.    | Vettangudi birds Sanctuary   | Sivagangai   |
| 2.    | Karaivetti birds Sanctuary   | Ariyalur     |
| 3.    | Vellode birds Sanctuary      | Erode        |
| 4.    | Vedanthangal birds Sanctuary | Kancheepuram |



Vedanthangal birds Sanctuary





## National Parks in Tamil Nadu

| S.No. | Name of National Parks      | District       |
|-------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 1.    | Guindy National Park        | Chennai        |
| 2.    | Gulf of Mannar Marine Park  | Ramanathapuram |
| 3.    | Indira Gandhi National Park | Coimbatore     |
| 4.    | Mukurthi National Park      | Nilgiris       |
| 5.    | Mudumalai National Park     | Nilgiris       |

## Beaches in Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu being a Coastal state in India which consists of several beaches. Some of them are world famous tourist spots. Beach is a lovely place to hang around with friends, families and kids. All these are ideal destinations for sun bath relaxation and water sports activities.

| S.No. | Beaches                         | Geographical features                 |
|-------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1.    | Kovalam Beach Kanchipuram       | Small fishing village                 |
| 2.    | Marina Beach Chennai            | Second longest urban beach            |
| 3.    | Kanyakumari Beach               | Multi-coloured sand                   |
| 4.    | Rameshwaram Beach               | Waveless beach                        |
| 5.    | Elliot Beach Chennai            | Beautiful beach active in day & night |
| 6.    | Mahabalipuram Beach Kanchipuram | Architectural and Archeological beach |
| 7.    | Silver Beach Cuddalore          | Water sports is the entertainment     |
| 8.    | Muttukadu Beach Kanchipuram     | Calm and Shallow                      |



Marina Beach in Chennai

## Environmental Impact of Tourism

The quality of the environment is essential for tourism. The tourism industry created several positive and negative impacts on the environment.

### Positive Impacts

- ❖ Direct financial Contributions
- ❖ Contributions to government revenues
- ❖ Improved environmental management and planning
- ❖ Increasing environmental awareness
- ❖ Protection and reservation of environment

### Negative Impacts

#### 1. Depletion of Natural Resources

- ❖ Water resources
- ❖ Local resources
- ❖ Land degradation

#### 2. Pollution

- ❖ Air and Noise Pollution
- ❖ Solid Waste and Littering
- ❖ Sewage

#### 3. Destruction and Alteration of Eco system

- ❖ Air
- ❖ Water
- ❖ Soil



## Wrap up

- ❖ The word tourist was derived from an old English word “tourian.”
- ❖ The basic components of tourism are Attraction, Accessibility and Ameneities.
- ❖ Tourism can be divided on the basis of nature, utility, time and distance.
- ❖ Geographical component of Tourism are location, climate, settlement and culture.
- ❖ Industrialization and urbanization had created great pressure on modern living.
- ❖ India is a country known for its gentle (or) hospitality to all visitors.
- ❖ The Indian sub-continent has seven principal mountains ranges.
- ❖ Scenery consisting of Mountains, Lakes, Waterfalls, Glaciers, Forests, and Deserts.
- ❖ The dense and dark forest of Indian states provide home to wild life.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu is also well known for the diverse natural heritage that it possesses.

## Glossary

|    |                    |  |                     |
|----|--------------------|--|---------------------|
| 1. | Geyser             | a natural hot spring   | வெந்நீர் ஊற்று      |
| 2. | Accessibility      | the quality of being easily to obtain or use                                       | அணுகுமுறை           |
| 3. | Amenities          | attractiveness of a place  | வசதிகள்             |
| 4. | Recreation         | the feeling of being relaxed   | பொழுதுபோக்கு        |
| 5. | Amusement park     | a large outdoor area with fairground rides, shows and other entertainments         | பொழுதுபோக்கு பூங்கா |
| 6. | Bird sanctuary     | an area of land in which birds are protected and encouraged to breed               | பறவைகள் சரணாலயம்    |
| 7. | Wildlife sanctuary | an area which provides protection and favourable living conditions to the wildlife | விலங்குகள் சரணாலயம் |
| 8. | Land degradation   | Loss of natural fertility of soil because of loss of nutrients                     | நில வளம் குறைதல்    |



## Evaluation

### I. Choose the correct answer

1. The oldest type of tourism is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) Religious
- b) Historical
- c) Adventure
- d) Recreational

2. In which state is the Kaziranga national park located.

- a) Rajasthan      b) West Bengal
- c) Assam            d) Gujarat

3. Which one of the following is not a beach of India?

- a) Goa              b) cochin
- c) Kovalam          d) Miami

4. Which of the following is not a bird sanctuary in India?

- a) Nal sarovar in Gujarat
- b) Koonthakulam in Tamil Nadu
- c) Bharatpur in Rajasthan
- d) Kanha in Madhya pradesh

5. In which district courtallam waterfalls is located?

- a) Dharmapuri      b) Tirunelveli
- c) Namakkal          d) Theni



4. The second largest urban beach is \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Expansion of TAAI \_\_\_\_\_.

### III. Circle the Odd one

- 1. Transport, Attraction, Accommodation, Amenities
- 2. Nainital, Shillong, Munnar, Digha
- 3. Corbett, Sunbarbans, periyar, Mayani
- 4. Hogenakkal, Kumbakkari, Suruli, Kalakkad
- 5. Rishikesh, ladakh, Gulmarg, Kotagiri

### IV. Match the following

|    |                |             |
|----|----------------|-------------|
| 1. | Anamalai hills | West Bengal |
| 2. | Monkey falls   | Goa         |
| 3. | Darjeeling     | Coimbatore  |
| 4. | Nature's Haven | Top slip    |
| 5. | Aguda Beach    | Javadi      |

### V. Consider the following statement and tick (✓) the appropriate answer

1. **Assertion (A)** : Tourism is an essential activity for the life of the society.

**Reason (R)** : Its direct impact on social cultural, education and economic sector of the nation.

- a. A and R are correct and A explains R
- b. A and R are correct but A does not explain R
- c. A is incorrect but R is correct
- d. Both A and R are incorrect

2. **Assertion (A)** : One of the most popular beaches in Goa Calangute is a treat for the adventure sports activities.

**Reason (R)** : Foreigners throng the beaches

- a. A and R are correct and A explains R
- b. A and R are correct but A does not explain R

### II. Fill in the blanks

1. The three main components of tourism together known as \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Gastronomy refers to an aspect of \_\_\_\_\_ tourism.

3. Suruli falls is also called as \_\_\_\_\_.



- c. A is incorrect but R is correct d) Both A and
- d. R are incorrect

#### **VI. Answer the following briefly**

1. Define Tourism?
2. Write short note on ECO Tourism?
3. What are the basic elements of Tourism?
4. Name any five hill stations in India?
5. Name any five beaches in Tamil Nadu?

#### **VII. Distinguish between**

1. International Tourism and Historical Tourism
2. Religious Tourism and Adventure Tourism
3. Attraction and Accessibility

#### **VIII. Answer the following questions in detail**

1. Explain the Geographical components of Tourism?
2. Write briefly about the waterfalls in Tamil Nadu?
3. Describe the Environment Impact of Tourism?

#### **IX. Hots**

1. Why do we like sightseeing so much?
2. What are the ways to protect the sanctuaries?
3. List any five reasons for travelling?

#### **X. Activity**

- This activity should be done by students under the supervision of the subject teacher.
- The students are grouped with six members in a group.
- Each student will discuss in the group about their last tour. Each group will collect photographs and information.
- The information will be shared in the class as well as displayed on the notice board of the class room.

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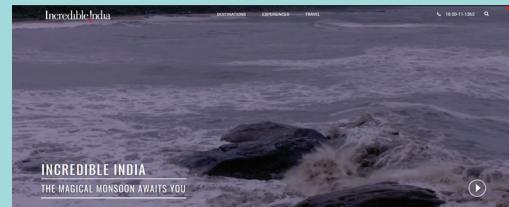
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# Tourism

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## Unit -II

# Media and Democracy



### Learning Objectives

- ❖ Understand media and its classification
- ❖ Analyse the role of media in facilitating interaction between the government and citizen
- ❖ Know the ethic and responsibility of media
- ❖ Gain a critical sense of the impact of media on people's lives and choices.



*"Let noble thoughts come to us from every side"*

### Introduction:

Traditionally, India has many folk form of communicating with people in rural areas. Harikatha, and koothu are originally a religious media from in which the stories were propagated. It is a collective form of music, dance, speech, storytelling with comic interludes. It has tremendous effect in communicating the messages straight into the hearts of the people. Then socially relevant messages were passed through this medium. Modern methods to address small and medium gatherings include seminars, dramas, public meetings and workshops etc. Print media has been referred to as Peoples University because they perform the role of

public informer, educate and custodian of public interest. Let us discuss about Media and its role.

### What is Media?

Every individual person is a medium of expression. An individual interacts through the media to reach other individual and institutions. Media is generally the agency for inter-personal communication. Media includes every broadcasting and narrowcasting medium. Media is the plural of the word medium. Such a medium or media allows to communicate messages, thoughts, ideas, views, etc.



## Classification of Media

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Narrowcast Media | Cable Television, Direct mail, Seminar                  |
| Broadcast Media  | Films, Television, Radio                                |
| Print Media      | Newspapers, Magazine, Journals, Books, Posters, Reports |
| Web Media        | Google website and Blogs                                |
| Social Media     | Twitter, Facebook, WhatsApp and Instagram               |

This communication can be classified into:-

**Personal communication** – these are meant for personal use, like letters, telephone, cell phone, E-mail and fax.

**Mass communication** –these are used for communicating with the masses. Newspapers, Radio, TV, Collectively they are termed as media.

Printing press was invented by Johannes Gutenberg in 1453

## Fourth Pillar of Democracy



The four pillars of democracy are Legislature, Executive, Judiciary, and Media. Media ensures the transparency in the

working of all the above three systems. This fourth pillar of democracy ensures that all people living in far off areas of country are aware of what's happening in rest of the country. In fact, mass media is the most important vehicle for information, knowledge and communication in a democratic polity.

### Importance of the Media

Media is very powerful entity on the earth. It is a mirror which shows various social, political and economic activities around us. People depend on the media for various needs including entertainment and information. Media keeps the people awakened and it has become one of the major instruments of social change. Media not only bring out the day to day happenings in the world, but also exposes the strength and weakness of the government. It also advertises the various products produced by the private companies. It creates the awareness. All the TV channels broadcasts national and international news. Social problems are portrayed in many cinemas. Media provide a balanced report on any matters. It fights against the socio-political evils and injustice in our society while bringing empowerment to the masses and facilitating development.



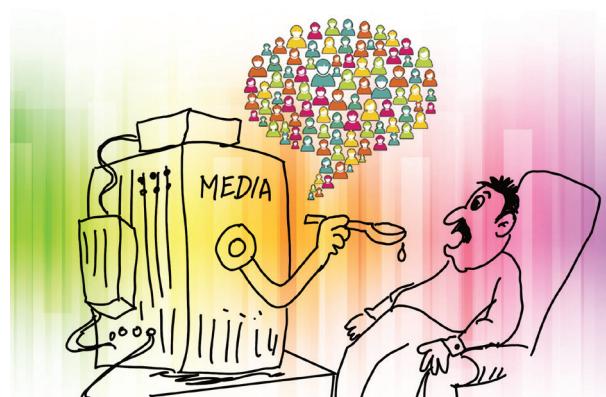


### All India Radio (AIR)

Officially known as Akashvani since 1956 (voice from the sky) is the radio broadcaster of the Government of India launched in 1936.

## Media and public opinion

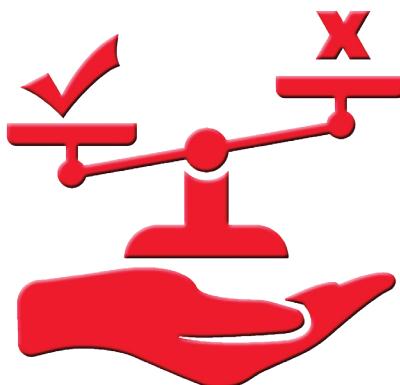
The media plays a prominent role in the formation of public opinion (general opinion of the public on particular issue). It is the powerful tool in contemporary times. It has become a part of the everyday life of the people. They play a significant role in shaping a person's understanding and perception about the events occurred in our daily lives. The mass media play a significant role in providing honest, intelligent and usually unbiased accounts of events. The newspaper reflects the response of the people to the government policies. Thus print media and electronic media helps the people to express their opinion on important social issues.



## Ethic and Responsibility

Ethics is a code of values which govern our lives. So they are very essential for moral and healthy life. In the context of media ethics may be described as a set of moral principles. The media is expected to follow a

code of conduct which should be reflected in their reporting and writing. Sensational and distorted news should be avoided.



The fundamental objectives of media are to serve the people with news, views, comments and information on matters of public interest in a fair, accurate, unbiased and decent manner and language. An awakened and free media is very much essential for the function of the government.

It has right to collect information from any primary authentic sources which are important to the society and then report the same with the aim to inform not to create sensation. The media has a massive responsibility in providing factual coverage.

## Role of Media in Democracy

Media is the back bone of democracy. In our democratic society mass media is the driving force of public opinion. Media strengthens the democratic value. It enlightens and empowers the people. It can educate the voters and ensures that government is transparent and accountable. Media carry every report of action of administration of the government. Based on the information, the citizen can learn about the functioning of the government and day to day happenings taking place around them.



### Theory of Democracy

Democracy means rule by the people. It combines two Greek words. Demos refers to citizen. Kratos means either power or rule.

It arranges the debate on current affairs so that we can get the different views for the same issue. Media reminds the government of its unfulfilled promises to the public. It educates masses in rural areas. Parliamentary democracy can flourish only under the watchful eyes of media. Media not only reports but acts as a bridge between the state and public. Thus the media acts as a watch dog of the democratic government. A democracy without media is like vehicle without wheel.

### Local Media



Usually the media reports the news which of national and global importance whereas local media addresses public locality.

Name some local media of your locality.

### Conclusion

The media, in the contemporary world of information and technology plays a very significant role in educating masses. The media should always keep in mind, that it should not publish anything which corrupts the public mind and disturbs social peace. For healthy society sharing of views, free flow of information, free communication and expression plays a crucial role. Media, being powerful and important instruments of expression have got lot to contribute. Mass media have made the world smaller and closer.

### Summary

- ❖ A medium is a means or way of communication; media is the plural of medium.
- ❖ Modern media such as TV, radio, newspaper, and the internet reach millions of people all over the world. So the common term used for them is mass media.
- ❖ Changing technology helps media to reach more people.
- ❖ Media has brought the world closer to us. It brings the news and happenings from across the world to the public in a fair and realistic way.
- ❖ In a democracy, the media plays a very important role in providing news.
- ❖ It is working out to be an effective tool to create public opinion on issues by improving awareness among the masses.



## Glossary

|    |              |                                 |               |
|----|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 1. | Broadcast    | transmit by radio or television | ஒளிபரப்பு     |
| 2. | Polity       | system of government            | ஆட்சி அமைப்பு |
| 3. | Contemporary | present -day                    | சமகாலத்தில்   |
| 4. | Ethics       | moral principles                | நெறிமுறைகள்   |
| 5. | Unbiased     | impartial                       | நடுநிலையான    |
| 6. | Authentic    | genuine/original                | உண்மையான      |



### Evaluation



## I. Choose the correct answer

1. Which one of the following comes under print media?
  - a. Radio
  - b. Television
  - c. Newspaper
  - d. Internet
  
2. Which one of the following is the broadcast media?
  - a. Magazines
  - b. Journals
  - c. Newspaper
  - d. Radio
  
3. Which invention has brought the world closure?
  - a. Typewriter
  - b. Television
  - c. Telex
  - d. none of these
  
4. Which is mass media?
  - a. Radio
  - b. Television
  - c. Both a & b
  - d. None of these
  
5. why is it necessary for media to be independent?
  - a. to earn money
  - b. to encourage company
  - c. to write balanced report
  - d. none of these

## II Fill in the blanks

1. \_\_\_\_\_ have made the world smaller and closer.
2. Every individual person is a medium of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Printing press was invented by \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is a code of values which govern our lives.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ is the radio broadcast of the Government of India.

## III. Match the following

|                  |   |                 |
|------------------|---|-----------------|
| Narrowcast media | - | films           |
| Social media     | - | posters         |
| Print media      | - | seminar         |
| Web media        | - | google web site |
| Broadcast media  | - | facebook        |

## IV. Consider the following statements: Tick the appropriate answer

1. **Assertion:** Print media has been referred to as peoples University  
**Reason:** They perform the role of public informer, educate, custodian of public interest.  
  - a. A is correct and R is the correct explanation of A



- b. A is correct and R is not the correct explanation of A
  - c. A is wrong and R is Correct
  - d. Both are wrong
2. Find the odd one
- a. newspapers b. magazine c. journals d. twitter e. posters
3. consider the following statements and choose the correct answer from the codes given below.
- a. Media is generally the agency for interpersonal communication.
  - b. Media is very powerful entity on the earth.
  - c. Media plays a prominent role in the formation of public opinion.
  - d. Media does not have any responsibility
    - i. a,b and c are correct
    - ii. a,c and d are correct
    - iii. b,c and d are correct
    - iv. a,b and d are correct

## V. Answer in one or two sentences

1. What is media?
2. How does the public get the news about the decision that are taken in the Legislative Assembly?  
Justify
3. What are the importance of local media?
4. Media is the fourth pillar of democracy.  
Justify
5. State any two responsibility of media.

## VI. Answer the following in detail

1. How can we classify media?
2. In what ways does the media play an important role in a democracy?
3. What are the advantages of media?

## VII. HOTs

1. Is Media necessary? Why?
2. What do you know about the term press conference?
3. In what ways media affects our daily lives?
4. Media is a boon or bane.

## VIII. Activity

1. Focus on a particular news. Collect information about that news from various media. Compare and write down the similarity and differences
2. Prepare an album – ‘the growth of media’ (from early period to till now).
3. Prepare a newspaper and circulate in your class.



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# Unit -I

## State Government



### Learning Objectives

- ❖ Recognise the difference between Parliament and State Legislature
- ❖ Understand the election procedures
- ❖ Know the powers and functions of Governor and Chief Minister
- ❖ Wonder how the Government works
- ❖ Identify the three main organs of the government – the legislative, executive, and judiciary



**Teacher:** Good Morning my dear students.

**Students:** Good morning teacher / sir.

**Teacher:** (after taking attendance) All are present today. Very good. Coming Monday we have a function in our school. All Should be present on that day without fail.



- Yogitha:** Do we have any cultural programme?
- Teacher:** Yes. We are going to open the new building of our school.
- Students:** Yeah! We are going to a new class room!
- Muthu:** Who will be the Chief guest?
- Teacher:** We have invited our MLA as the chief guest for the opening ceremony.
- Rahim:** MLA. I have heard. But I don't know who is he?
- Teacher:** MLAs are representatives of the people. He is one among us. He is the Member of Legislative Assembly.
- Saran:** What is Legislative Assembly? Will you explain in detail?
- Teacher:** Sure. (showing pictures of fort St. George, Assembly session, Chief Minister and other ministers)
- Meena:** What is that building? Where is it? It looks like a fort.
- Teacher:** Yes. You are correct. It is a fort in Chennai. First English fortress in India. The fort currently houses the Tamil Nadu legislative assembly and Secretariat of Tamilnadu.



- Legislative Assembly has the lower house where all the MLAs meet to discuss various matters related to the welfare of the state.
- Kayal:** Who will be there in that Legislative Assembly?
- Teacher:** Listen! India has separate system of administration for the Union, States and Union territories. Do you know how many states and union territories are there in India?

- Ravi:** Shall I tell? 29 states and 7 union territories including our capital territory Delhi?  
Am I right teacher?

- Teacher:** Exactly. As I said already power is divided between two sets of governments one at the central in Delhi and separate governments for all the states. This is called as federal system.

India is a Parliamentary democratic republic where the President of India is the Head of Indian Union and the Prime Minister and all the Ministers are responsible for smooth running of the government. This is called central government.





**Nila:** Do we have a separate government for states?

**Teacher:** Yes. All the states and union territories have separate governments to run its own administration. Governor, Chief Minister and all the ministers constitute the Government. The member of the Parliament is called MP whereas the member of the Legislative Assembly is called MLA. Both the Central and State Governments work according to our constitution.

**John:** Oh! Is MLA going to inaugurate the function? Who appoints him?

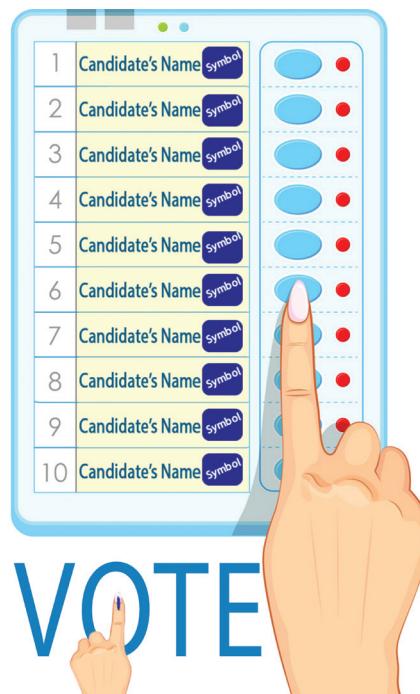
**Teacher:** No my child. MLAs are not appointed. They are elected by the people through general election. In the previous lesson we have studied about the political parties. Do you remember? These political parties play a vital role in election. For election, the entire state is divided into several constituencies on the basis of the population. Political parties nominate their candidates to each constituency. All the people residing in that constituency who has completed 18 years of age cast their vote. The candidate who gets the more number of votes is declared as elected and becomes MLA. The Election Commission of India conducts and monitors the elections. After the election the party which gets the more number of MLAs is declared as the majority party. The Governor calls the leader of the majority party to form the state government. In simple words a party whose MLAs has won more than half the number of constituencies in the state are called ruling party and forms the government. And the party which gets the total number of seats next to the majority party, acts as an opposition party in the legislature. But all the MLAs of other political parties who do not belong to the ruling party are called opposition party.

**Shanmi:** It's very interesting to hear. Who are all included in the State Government?

**Teacher:** The Governor, the Chief Minister, Council of Ministers. The Governor is appointed by the president of India for the term of five years. The leader of the majority party is appointed as the Chief Minister by the Governor. The Chief minister in consultation with the Governor, constitutes a cabinet which includes members of his party as ministers. The term of the office is five years.

**Laya:** Teacher! Shall I become the Governor? Or Chief Minister?

**Teacher:** Why not? My child! That is very simple. To become a Governor, you

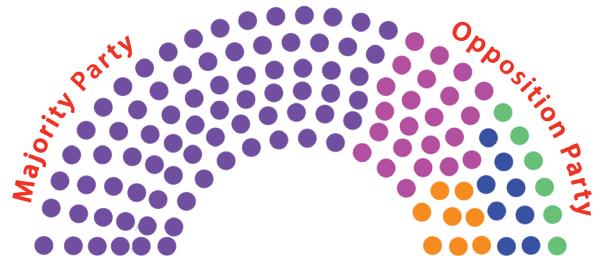


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should be the citizen of India and should have completed 35 years of age and should have sound mind. And should not hold any public office of profit.



To become a Chief Minister, you should have completed 25 years of age and should be an MLA or in case of an MLC should have completed 30 years of age.

**Arya:** Who is an MLC? I never heard.

**Teacher:** Usually a state Legislature has two houses. Upper House and Lower House. This is called Bi-cameral Legislature. Upper House is called Legislative Council. The members are called MLCs and they are not elected directly by the people. The Lower House is called Legislative Assembly. The members are called MLAs. As I said earlier they are directly elected by the people.

In India some of the states have two houses in their state legislature. But in Tamil Nadu we have Lower House only. This is called unicameral Legislature.

**Ammar:** Oh! Now can you please tell me the powers and functions of Governor and Chief Minister?

**Teacher:** Sure. The Governor is an integral part of the State Legislature. Governor is the head of the state executive and he has enormous powers. All the administration is carried on in his name. He is the chancellor of Government universities in the state. All bills become law only after his assent. He appoints important officials of the state government such as advocate General, Chairman and members of State Public Service Commission, State Election Commissioner, Vice chancellors of state universities etc.

The Chief Minister is the real executive head of the state administration. He allocates the portfolios among the ministers. The Council of Ministers are collectively responsible to the State Legislature. All the ministers work as a team under the Chief Minister. The Chief Minister formulates programmes and policies for the welfare of the people of the state. The council of Ministers is collectively responsible to the Legislative Assembly of the state.

The three main organs of government are the legislative, executive and judiciary. The legislative branch makes laws, the executive branch enforces the laws, and the judiciary interprets the laws.

**Nandhu:** Judiciary. Are you saying about the courts teacher?

**Teacher:** Yes. The High courts are the highest judicial organ at the State level. It is an independent



body. As per the constitution there shall be a High Court in each state. The state high court consists of a Chief Justice and other judges. The number of Judges in the high court is not uniform and fixed. President appoints the Chief Justice and can hold the office until he completes the age of 62 years. Apart from High court there are district courts and tribunals. They ensure justice to the people without any bias. Apart from this, Family Courts are established to settle the disputes relating to marriages and family affairs.



Lok Adalat (people's court) also have been established by the Government of India to settle dispute through conciliation and compromise.

**Children:** This topic is very interesting to hear. Thank you very much teacher.

**Teacher:** Thank you children. A cultural programme is being allotted to our class for the inaugural function. So let us think. We have to practice and perform well.

## Summary

- ❖ India is divided into 29 states and 7 Union territories. Each state has a legislative assembly.
- ❖ State executive comprises the Governor and the Chief Minister with his Council of Ministers.
- ❖ The head of the state is the Governor. And he is appointed by the President for a period of five years. He is an integral part of the State Legislature.
- ❖ The real executive power in a state in India vests with the Chief Minister. The leader of the majority party is appointed as Chief Minister.
- ❖ The Chief Minister and the Council of Ministers are collectively responsible to the State Legislature.
- ❖ The High courts are the highest judicial organ at the state level. State High courts have jurisdiction over the whole state.

## Glossary

|    |             |                                   |                   |
|----|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | Legislative | law making body                   | சட்டமன்றம்        |
| 2. | Cabinet     | the committee of senior ministers | மந்திரிசபை        |
| 3. | Executive   | administrative                    | நிர்வாகம் சார்ந்த |
| 4. | Judiciary   | a system of courts of law         | நீதித்துறை        |



## Evaluation



### I Choose the correct answer

1. What is the minimum age for becoming a member of the State Legislative Council?  
a. 18 years      b. 21 years  
c. 25 years      d. 30 years
  
2. How many states does India have?  
a. 26      b. 27      c. 28      d. 29
  
3. The word State government refers to
  - a. Government departments in the states
  - b. Legislative Assembly
  - c. both a and b
  - d. none of the above
  
4. The overall head of the government in the state is the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. President      b. Prime Minister
  - c. Governor      d. Chief Minister
  
5. Who appoints the Chief Minister and other Ministers?
  - a. President      b. Prime Minister
  - c. Governor      d. Election Commissioner
  
6. Who becomes the Chief Minister?
  - a. Leader of the Majority party
  - b. Leader of the opposition party
  - c. Both
  - d. None
  
7. What are the three branches of the state government?
  - a. Mayor governor, MLA
  - b. Panchayat, municipality, corporation
  - c. Village, City, State
  - d. Legislative, executive and judiciary

### II Fill in the blanks

1. The Governor is appointed by the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The leader of the majority party is appointed as \_\_\_\_\_ in the state assembly.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is the highest judicial organ of the state.
4. MLA stands for \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ is a particular area form where all the voters living there choose their representatives.
6. The elected representatives who are not the member of ruling party are called \_\_\_\_\_.

### III. Match the following

|                   |   |                              |
|-------------------|---|------------------------------|
| MLAs              | - | Secretariat                  |
| Governor          | - | 7                            |
| Chief Minister    | - | Head of the state            |
| Union territories | - | Legislative Assembly         |
| Fort St. George   | - | leader of the Majority party |

### IV. Consider the following statements:

#### Tick the appropriate answer

1. Which of the following statement is/are not correct?  
To become a governor, one
  - a. should be the citizen of India
  - b. should have completed 25 years of age
  - c. should have sound mind
  - d. should not hold any office of profit.
  - i. a&b
  - ii. c&d
  - iii. a
  - iv. b
  
2. Consider the following statements and state true or false.
  - a. MLAs are together responsible for the working of the government.



- b. All the MLAs of other political party who do not belong to the ruling party are called opposition.
- c. MLAs are not the representatives of people.
- 3. Find out the correct meaning of bicameral legislature.
  - a. It means that there are cameras in the legislature.
  - b. It means that the legislature has men and women members.
  - c. It means that there are two houses like upper house and lower house.
  - d. It means that the governor is the leader over the members of the legislature.
- 4. **Assertion:** India has a federal system of government.

**Reason:** According to our constitution the power is divided between central and state governments.

- a. A is correct and R explains A
- b. A is correct and R does not explain A
- c. A is correct and R is wrong
- d. Both are wrong

## V. Answer in one or two sentences

- 1. What are the qualifications to become the Governor of a state?
- 2. Who are called oppositions?
- 3. Write a note on Lok Adalat.
- 4. What is a constituency?
- 5. Who appoints the chief minister and other ministers?

## VI. Answer the following in detail

- 1. Describe the powers of the Governor.
- 2. Who is an MLA?
- 3. What is the role of Chief Minister and other Council of Ministers at the state level?

## VII. HOTs

- 1. Name some departments of the government.
- 2. Tabulate: qualification, appointment and any two powers of governor, Chief Minister and MLAs.

## VIII. Activity

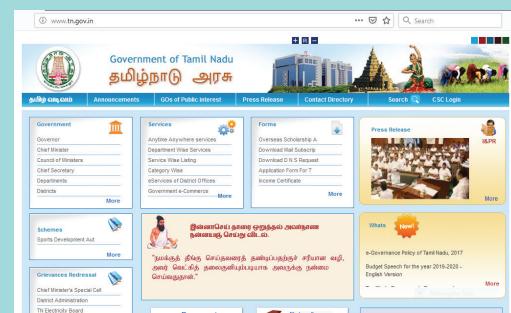
- 1. Make a list of the name of the Governor, Chief Minister and other Ministers with their departments.
- 2. Write an essay on 'If you were the Chief Minister of the state'.
- 3. Make a student Legislative body in your class. (allocate the departments and do periodical review).



## ICT CORNER

# State Government

Let's know about our state government departments



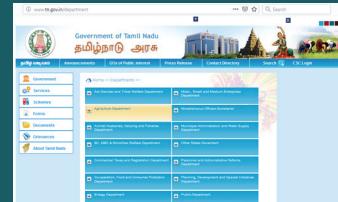
### PROCEDURE :

- Step 1:** Type the following URL <http://www.tn.gov.in> or scan the QR code given below to view the home page of the Government of Tamilnadu website.
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Government, their contact numbers, department profile..etc...



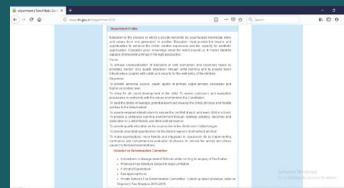
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