

Day-2

? Question:

Moderate of level → Cognitive

dimensions → diagrams / innovative

✓ Discuss how the Government of India Acts of 1858 and 1861 reflect the British response to the Revolt of 1857 — not just as a political crisis, but as an administrative reckoning.

1858 और 1861 के भारत सरकार अधिनियम 1857 की विद्रोह के प्रति ब्रिटिश प्रतिक्रिया को केवल एक राजनीतिक संकट नहीं, बल्कि एक प्रशासनिक पुनर्विचार के रूप में कैसे दर्शाते हैं — इस पर चर्चा कीजिए। 38M

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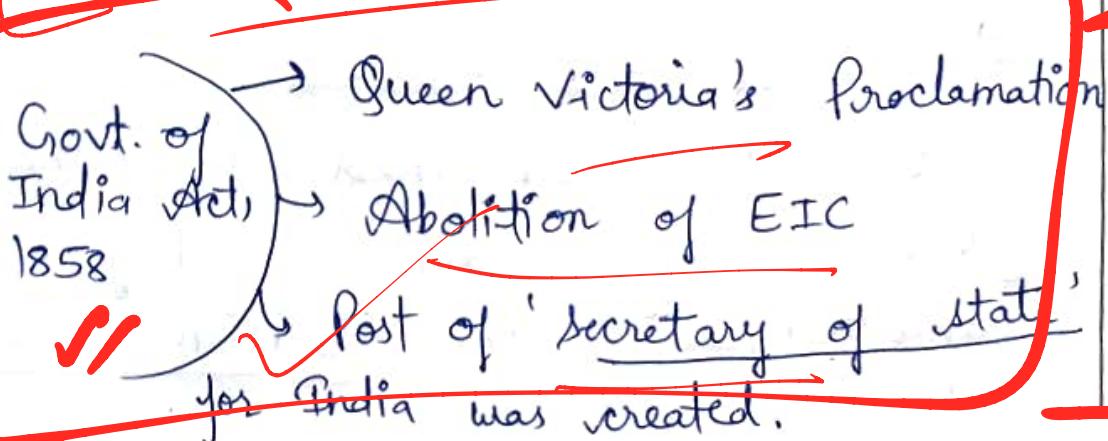
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Ques-2 - Discuss it how the Govt. of India Acts of 1858 and 1861 reflect the British response to the Revolt of 1857 - not just as a political crisis, but as a administrative reckoning.

Answer :- The government of India acts of 1858 and 1861 were deeply rooted in the revolt of 1857 which sparked due to ill administrative policies of the East India Company. Those acts brought major changes in the administrative system of India by abolishing EIC.



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Govt. of
India Act,
1861

→ Expansion of Governor General
legislative Council.

→ Incorporation of non-official
members.

→ Portfolio system started.

Both Acts as the British response
to the revolt of 1857

Due to the mass uprising
in 1857, British Government realised
the need of structural changes
in the administration of India.

① Queen Victoria's Proclamation
(1 November, 1858)

② Transfer of Power

EIC was abolished and the
governance of India directly
came under the British Crown.

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(b) Non-interference in affairs
of princely states.

→ Doctrine of Lapse was abolished.

② Laid the foundation of
Indian representation in governance
system.

(a) Through inclusion of Indians
in Legislative council.

e.g.: - Raja of Benaras, Mahareja
of Patiala, Sir Dinkar Rao.

(b) Inclusion of non-official members.

③ Provinces like Bombay, Madras
were given autonomy to make
laws.

⊗ → start of decentralisation
process in administration.

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(4) Portfolio system started.

↳ laid the foundation of cabinet government in India.

→ It ensures government to be more accountable and responsible.

Content is good.
Structure is as per
the demand of
the Punjab.

Thus, the government of India acts of 1858 and 1861 were to address grievances of Indians effectively in order to prevent future political crisis. Administrative system was made inclusive and representative with the participation of Indians and provincial autonomy.

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