

## 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

reference

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Answer

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After 1857 revolt, British government wanted to restore administrative machinery so, that they can again win the faith of Indian people. In order to that they brought Act 1858 and 1861 to make government more centralised. They transferred the governance to British crown, now Governor General became viceroy. They expanded executive into legislative council and also revived provincial council. These changes lead to administrative reform. Changes are following:-

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Secretary of State post created for India

A new Cabinet position was created which known as Secretary of State for India. also, He was assisted by a council of 15 members which was an advisory body with the Secretary of State being the chairman of the council.

• Introduction of Viceroy designation

The Governor General of India now designated as Viceroy, who is directly responsible to British crown.

• Expansion of legislative council

Viceroy extended its council from 6 to 12 members. But, they do not have voting rights.

## Decentralisation of Power

The legislative power of Bombay and Madras presidencies were restored. There is also provision for making new legislative council for Bengal. But all them have to work under the supervision of viceroy.

## Introduction of portfolio system

### 3. System :-

Member of viceroy's council was made in-charge of one or more departments and could independently take decisions and issue orders on the behalf of the council.

## Ordinance making power

The viceroy was empow-

-ered to issue an ordinance

without the consent of legislative council in case of emergency

This ordinance was valid for  
6 months from date of issue

in last,

We can say After taking

lessons from 1857 revolt.

British decided to make government more decentralised.

~~You have potential to write good answers.  
Please have proper state & the matter of princely states.~~ To make government more accountable and responsible they made cabinet designation.

~~for vice~~ By this reform they want to restore administrative machinery and won the faith of Indian people again.