

Chapter - 6

The Revolt of 1857

Exercise:-

Short answer Questions:-

Q.1) What was the opinion of the British historian about the Revolt 1857?

Ans. The opinion of British historian about the Revolt of 1857 was that it was a mutiny of sepays or Indian soldiers at lower ranks in English army as whole India didn't participate.

Q.2) Why were people threatened by the activities of Christian missionaries?

Ans. People felt threatened with their activities because they tried to convert people and

make public attacks of Hinduism and Islam.

Q. Name 4 places which were the center of Revolt of 1857.

Ans. Main centers of Revolt 1857 are Delhi, Meerut, Bikaner and Kanpur.

Q. Explain the terms of General Service Enlistment Act of 1856.

Ans. The General Service enlistment Act in 1856 required every Indian soldier to serve overseas. Many Sepoys believed that overseas travel would lead to loss of caste.

Q. Who led to revolt in Delhi?

Ans. Bakht Khan led to revolt in Delhi.

B. long answer type question:-

Q. 1. What was the feeling among the Hindus and Muslims about the Enfield Rifle?

Ans. The feeling among Hindus and Muslims about Enfield rifle was so bad and they not want to use that rifle cartridge as they were greased by the fats of cows and Pigs as Hindu worshipped cows and Muslims detested Pigs.

Q. 2. Where and when the actual revolt broke out?

Ans. In the May 1857, after refusing the coming of Enfield rifle. The actual revolt broke out in Meerut. In this some Indians were taken into custody for refusing to use greased cartridges. Angered by this, other soldiers killed

many britisher their houses and this led to large revolt.

Q 4. Who helped British in the suppression of the revolt?

Ans In the strategy of British to limit the revolt. The Nizam of Hyderabad, the Begum of Bhopal, and King of Nepal came forward to helping British in suppressing the revolt.

Q What were the causes of the failure of the revolt?

Ans The causes for failure of revolt were:

- They could not fight unitedly
- Sikhs, Crokhas, Rajput supported British
- Lack of modern weapons and equipments.
- British were well trained and equipped.