

## UPSC Civil Services Examination

### UPSC Notes [GS-I]

#### Topic: Sayyid and Lodi Dynasties [Medieval History of India for UPSC]

#### Sayyid and Lodi Dynasties

#### The Sayyid Dynasty (1414-1451 A.D.)

##### Khizr Khan (1414- 1421 A.D.)

- He was the founder of Sayyid Dynasty
- He did not swear any royal title.
- He was the Governor of Multan.
- He took advantage of the disordered situation in India after Timur's invasion.
- In 1414 A.D. he occupied the throne of Delhi.
- He brought parts of Surat, Dilapur, and Punjab under his control.
- But he lost Bengal, Deccan, Gujarat, Jaunpur, Khandesh and Malwa.
- In 1421 he died.
- Mubarak Shah Khizr Khan's son succeeded him.

##### Mubarak Shah (1421-1434A.D.)

- Mubarak Shah crushed the local chiefs of the Doab region and the Khokhars.
- He is first Sultan ruler to appoint Hindu nobles in the court of Delhi.
- He constructed "Mubarakbad" City on the banks of the river Jamuna.
- Muhammad Shah Mubarak's nephew succeeded him.

##### Muhammad Shah (1434-1445 A.D.)

- He defeated the ruler of Malwa with the help of Bahlul Lodi the Governor of Lahore.
- He conferred Bahlul Lodi with the title ***Khan-i-Khanan for helping in defeating the ruler of Malwa.***
- Later Ala-ud-din Shah succeeded him.

### **Ala-ud-din Shah (1 445-1457 A.D.)**

- He was a weak ruler.
- In 1457 A.D. Bahlul Lodi the Governor of Lahore captured Delhi and made Ala-ud-din Shah to step down from the throne and sent him to Badaun.
- In 1478 A.D. Ala-ud-din Shah died in Badaun.

## **Lodi Dynasty (1451 to 1526)**

### **Bahlul Lodi (1451 -1489 A, D.)**

- Bahlul Lodi was the founder of Lodi Dynasty.
- The Lodi Dynasty is the last ruling dynasties of the Sultanate period.
- He was a wise statesman who knew his limits.
- He took various measures to gratify his nobles.
- He conquered Etawa, Gwalior, Mewat, Sakit, and Samthal.
- He died in 1489 A.D.
- Bahlul Lodi was a wise ruler, he never sat on the throne and he used to sit on the carpet in front of the throne with his nobles to gain their recognition and support.

### **Sikandar Shahi (1489-1517 A.D.)**

- Sikandar Shahi was the son of Bahlul Lodi.
- He swore the title Sikandar Shah and ascended the throne.
- He set up a well-organized spy system.
- He developed agriculture and industry.
- He was an orthodox Muslim.
- He put severe restrictions on the Hindus.
- Sikandar Shah enjoyed “Shehnai” Music.
- A work on music names “Lahjati-Sikandar Shahi” was created during his reign.

### End of Lodi Dynasty (1517-1526 A.D.)

- Ibrahim Lodi succeeded Sikhandar Lodi.
- He was an intolerant and adamant ruler
- He had humiliated many nobles and killed some nobles cruelly.
- He also treated his son Dilwar Khan Lodi cruelly.
- Daulat Khan, the most powerful noble of Punjab, who was discontented with Ibrahim Lodhi, invited **Babur the ruler of Kabul** to invade India.
- Babur invaded India and defeated Ibrahim Lodi in the first battle of Panipat in 1526 A. D.

