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Unit -1
Sources of Medieval India

Learning Objectives

To acquaint ourselves with
- Sources of the study of medieval India
- Temples, mosques, tombs, palaces and forts as important sources
- Literary and inscriptional texts
- Accounts of Arab and Turkish travellers

Introduction:

The periods from A.D. (CE) 700 to 1200 and from A.D. (CE) 1200 to 1700 are classified as Early Medieval and Later Medieval periods, respectively, in Indian history. Numerous and varied sources are fortunately available to the historians engaging in the study of Medieval India. Added to the information that can be gleaned from inscriptions, monuments and coins are the accounts left by Arab, Persian and Turkish chroniclers. These accounts are rich in detail and have given first-hand information on the life of kings, though they provide very little information on the life of the common people. The opinions of the courtiers and chroniclers are often one-sided, written in a hyperbolic language, exaggerating the king’s achievements. Let us now explore the various sources available for the study of the history of Medieval India.

Do you know the famous words of Khafi Khan, a courtier of Emperor Aurangzeb? He says, ‘It is the duty of an historian to be faithful, to have no hope of profit, no fear of injury, to show no partiality on one side, or animosity on the other, to know no difference between friend and stranger, and to write nothing but with sincerity.’

Sources

Sources are the supporting materials, documents or records in the form of evidence that help to reconstruct the past.
We examine the details of political, economic and socio-cultural developments with the aid of sources.

**Primary Sources:** Inscriptions, monuments and coins, and the information available in them.

**Secondary Sources:** Literary works, chronicles, travelogues, biographies and autobiographies.

**Inscriptions**

Inscriptions are writings engraved on solid surfaces such as rocks, stones, temple walls and metals. The king's royal decrees, dedications and donations, monuments raised in commemoration of victories in wars, those built in memory of deceased warriors, contain rich information about the concerned era.

Various types of lands gifted by the Chola kings are known from the inscriptions and copper plates. They are:

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Copper-plate grants, which were treated as legal documents, have significant source value. The Islamic-Persian practices and the relatively high cost of copper plates made palm leaf and paper cheaper alternatives from 13th century onwards.

Several copper-plate grants issued during the later Chola period (10th to 13th century) record gifts to individual priests or teachers who were Hindu, Buddhist, or Jaina, or to persons of eminence. Both the giver and the receiver are very elaborately described. By contrast, most stone inscriptions differ in their content. In stone inscriptions, the beneficence of a donor is recorded. The major focus is upon the giver. Tiruvalangadu plates of Rajendra Chola I and the Anbil plates of Sundara Chola are notable examples. Uttiramerur inscriptions in Kanchipuram district provide details of the way in which the village administration was conducted.

**Monuments**

Temples, palaces, mosques, tombs, forts, minars and minarets are called by the collective name monuments.

The Sultans of Delhi introduced a new type of architecture. The monuments they built had arches, domes and minarets as the main features. The inscriptions in these monuments contain
rich information, which can be used to construct history. The medieval Khajuraho monuments (Madhya Pradesh) and temples in Konark (Odisha) and Dilwara (Mt.Abu, Rajasthan) constitute valuable sources to understand the religion-centered cultural evolution in northern India. Temples in Thanjavur (Brihadeshwara), Gangaikonda Cholapuram and Darasuram symbolise the magnificent structures the Later Cholas built in Tamil Nadu. Vittalas and Virupaksha temples at Hampi similarly speak of the contribution of Vijayanagara rulers (15th century).

The forts of historical importance are Agra Fort, Chittor Fort, Gwalior Fort and Delhi Red Fort as well as the forts of Daulatabad (Aurangabad) and Firoz Shah Kotla (Delhi). Palaces in Jaipur, Jaisalmer and Jodhpur signify the greatness of the Rajput dynasty that wielded enormous power from these places. Qutb Minar and Alai-Darwaza, the tombs of Ilutmish, Balban and all the Mughal rulers are the other prominent structures recognised as valuable sources of information. Cities in ruin such as Firozabad and Tughlaqabad in north India and Hampi in south India remain rich repositories of the history of medieval India.

**Coins**

The picture and the legend on the coins convey the names of kings with their titles and portraits, events, places, dates, dynasties and logos. The composition of metals in the coins gives us information on the economic condition of the empire. Mention of king’s achievements like military conquests, territorial expansion, trade links and religious faith can also be found in the coins.
Muhammad Ghori had stamped the figure of Goddess Lakshmi on his gold coins and had his name inscribed on it. This coin tells us that this early Turkish invader was in all likelihood liberal in religious outlook.

Copper Jitals are available for the study of the period of the Delhi Sultans. Silver Tanka introduced by Iltutmish, Ala-ud-din Khalji's gold coins, Muhammad-bin-Tughluq's copper *token currency* are indicative of coinage as well as the economic prosperity or otherwise of the country of the time.

Religious Literature

Devotional movement in South India and later in North resulted in the development of bhakti or devotional literature. The Chola period was known as the period of devotional literature and works such as *Kamba Ramayanam*, Sekkizhar’s *Periyapuranam*, *Nalayira Divyaprabhandham*, composed by 12 Azhwars and compiled by Nathamuni, *Devararam* composed by Appar, Sambandar and Sundarar and compiled by Nambiyarand Nambi, Manikkavasagar’s *Thiruvavasagar*, all were scripted during the Chola times. Jayadeva's *Gita Govindam* (12th century) was a follow-up of the Bhakti Movement in South India. Kabir Das, a 15th century mystic poet, also had an influence on the Bhakti Movement in India.

Secular Literature

*Madura Vijayam* and *Anuktamalyatha* were poems composed by Gangadevi and Krishnadevaraya respectively that help us gain insight into the events and individuals associated with the Vijayanagara Empire. Chand Bardai’s *Prithiviraj Raso* portrays the Rajput king’s valour. We have no Indian accounts about what happened during the Turkish invasion of India. For pre-Islamic periods, the only exception was Kalhana’s *Rajtarangini* (11th century).

Books, Biographies and Autobiographies

Minhaj-us-Siraj, patronised by Sultan Nazir-ud-din Mahmud of Slave Dynasty, wrote *Tabakat-i-Nasiri*. The compendium deals with the period from the conquest of Muhammad Ghori to A.D. 1260. The compendium was named after his patron. In the 13th century, Hasan Nizami, a migrant from Ghazni wrote, *Taj-ul-Ma‘asir* towards the end of Iltutmish’s rule. It provides information about Qutb-ud-din Aibak and is considered the first official history of the Delhi Sultanate. Zia-ud-Barni, a courtier of Muhammad Tughluq, wrote *Tarikh-i-Firoz Shahi*, in which he dealt with the history of Delhi Sultanate from Ghiyas-ud-din Balban to the early years of the reign of Firoz Shah Tughluq. Ferishta’s *Tarikh-i-Frishta* (16th century) deals with the history of the rise of the Mughal power in India.
Tabakat is an Arabic word meaning generations or centuries.

Tuzk is a Persian word meaning autobiography.

Tarikh or Tahquiq are Arabic words meaning history.

In the 16th century, emperor Babur’s Babur Nama and Abul Fazal’s Ain-i-Akbari and Akbar Nama provided detailed information about these two emperors. In the 17th century, Jahangir wrote his memoir, Tuzk-i-Jahangiri, throwing a lot of light on the period. Apart from autobiographies of emperors, Tabakat-i-Akbari, authored by Nizam-ud-din Ahmad, is considered reliable than the exaggerated account of Abul Fazal. Similarly, Badauni’s outstanding work, Tarikh-i-Badauni (Badauni’s History), was published in 1595. This work spans three volumes. The volume on Akbar’s reign is a frank and critical account of Akbar’s administration, particularly of his religious policy.

**Travellers and Travelogues**

Marco Polo, a Venetian traveller, visited when the Pandya kingdom was becoming the leading Tamil power in the 13th century. Marco Polo was twice in Kayal, which was a port city (presently in Thoothukudi district of Tamilnadu). It was full of ships from Arabia and China. Marco Polo tells us that he himself came by a ship from China. According to Marco Polo, thousands of horses were imported into southern India by sea from Arabia and Persia.

Al-Beruni (11th century) accompanied Mahmud of Ghazni in one of his campaigns, and stayed in India for 10 years. The most accurate account of Mahmud’s Somnath expedition is that of Alberuni. As learned man and a scholar, he travelled all over India trying to understand India and her people. He learnt Sanskrit and studied the philosophy of India. In his book Tahquiq-i-Hind, Alberuni discussed the Indian conditions, systems of knowledge, social norms and religion.

Ibn Battuta (14th century), an Arab-born Morocco scholar, travelled from Morocco right across North Africa to Egypt and then to Central Asia and India. His travelogue (Rihla [The Travels]) contains rich details about the people and the countries he visited. According to him, Egypt was rich then, because of the whole of the Indian trade with the West passed through it. Ibn Battuta tells us of caste in India and the practice of sati. We learn from him that Indian merchants were carrying on a brisk trade in foreign ports and Indian ships in the seas. He describes the city of Delhi a vast and magnificent city. Those were the days when Sultan Muhammad bin Tughluq transferred his capital from Delhi to Devagiri (Daulatabad) in the south, converting this city into a desert.
In the South, Vijayanagar had many foreign visitors who left behind their detailed accounts of the state. An Italian named Nicolo Conti came in 1420. Abdur-Razzaq came from Heart (the court of Great Khan in Central Asia) in 1443. Domingo Paes, a Portuguese traveller, visited the city in 1522. All of them recorded their observations, which are very useful for us today to know the glory of the Vijayanagar Empire.

**Summary**

- The period from A.D. 700 to 1200 and from A.D. 1200 to 1700 are classified as Early Medieval and Later Medieval periods in Indian history.
- Sources are classified as primary and secondary sources.
- Inscriptions on stones, rocks and temple walls and copper-plate grants with royal orders and events in the courts, which have evidentiary value are dealt with.
- Temples, palaces, mosques, tombs, forts, minars and minarets, collectively known as monuments, belonging to early Medieval and Mughal periods, are highlighted.
- The coins of Iltutmish, Ala-ud-din Khalji and copper coins of the later Islamic rulers are discussed.
- Devotional literature belonging to the era of Bhakthi Movement is provided.
- Books, biographies and autobiographies that provide information about the political, social and economic conditions of the medieval times are detailed.
- Travellers’ accounts mostly by the visiting Arab and Persian scholars are given in the end.

### Glossary

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<td>வரலாற்றுப் பதிவாளர்</td>
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<td>விராதத்தம், பகைகை</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>travelogue</td>
<td>பயணக்குறிப்புணர்</td>
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Evaluation

I. Choose the correct answer

1. __________ are the writings engraved on solid surfaces such as rocks, stones, temple walls and metals.
   a) Chronicles   b) Travelogues
   c) Coins       d) Inscriptions

2. __________ was the land gifted to temples.
   a) Vellanvagai   b) Shalabhoga
   c) Brahmadeya   d) Devadana

3. __________ period was known as the period of devotional literature.
   a) Chola        b) Pandya
   c) Rajput      d) Vijayanagara

4. __________ provides information about the first Sultan of Delhi.
   a) Ain-i-Akbari  b) Taj-ul-Ma'asir
   c) Tuzk-i-Jahangiri  d) Tarikh-i-Frishta

5. __________, an Arab-born Morocco scholar, travelled from Morocco to India.
   a) Marco Polo   b) Al Beruni
   c) Domingo Paes d) Ibn Battuta

II Fill in the Blanks

1. __________ inscriptions provide details about administration in a Brahmadeya village.

2. __________ had stamped the figure of Goddess Lakshmi on his gold coins and had his name inscribed on it.

3. 3.6 grains of silver amounted to a__________.

4. __________ was patronised by Sultan Nazir-ud-din Mahmud of Slave Dynasty.

5. An Italian traveller __________ visited Vijayanagar Empire in 1420.

III Match the following

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<td>3. Dilvara</td>
<td>Madhya Pradesh</td>
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<td>4. Virupaksha</td>
<td>Rajasthan</td>
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IV State true or false

1. Pallichchandam was the land donated to Jaina institution.

2. The composition of metal coins gives us information on the political condition of the empire.

3. The high cost of copper made palm leaf and paper cheaper alternatives for recording royal orders and events in royal courts.

4. Domingo Paes, a Portuguese traveller, visited the Chola Empire in 1522.

V Match the statement with the reason

Tick (✓) the appropriate answer.

Assertion (A) :- Muhammad Ghori's gold coins carried the figure of Goddess Lakshmi.

Reason (R) :- The Turkish invader was liberal in his religious outlook.

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.
b) **Find out the wrong pair**

1. *Madura Vijayam* - Gangadevi  
2. Abul Fazal - *Ain-i-Akbari*  
3. Ibn Battuta - *Tahquiq-i-Hind*  
4. *Amuktamalyatha* - Krishnadevaraya

c) **Find out the odd one**  

Inscriptions, Travelogues, Monuments, Coins,

VI **Answer the following in one or two sentences**

1. Who compiled *Nalayira Divyaprabhandham*?  
2. What does the word *Tuzk* mean?  
3. Name Jahangir’s memoir.  
4. Name the two different types of sources for the study of history.  
5. List out the important mosques and forts constructed during the medieval times.  
6. Mention the important foreign travellers who visited India during the medieval period.

VII **Answer the following**

1. Describe the different types of coins introduced by the rulers of Delhi Sultanate.

VIII **Answer Grid**

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<td>5. ______ is an Arabic word meaning history.</td>
<td>6. Muhammed bin Tughluq transferred his capital from Delhi to ________ in the south.</td>
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IX **HOTs**

1. The composition of metals in coins is indicative of the economic prosperity of the empire – Substantiate.

X **Student Activity**

Prepare an album collecting pictures of palaces, tombs, mosques and forts of Medieval India.

XI **Life skill**

1. Find out from the libraries in your town or village and prepare a report about the primary and secondary sources available there.

References

ICT CORNER

Sources of Medieval India

This activity helps you to know about the rare collection of coins.

PROCEDURE:

Step 1: Open the Browser and type the given URL (or) Scan the QR Code.

Step 2: Click “India” Option and then select any period (Ex. Medieval)

Step 3: Select any dynasty and then select any Kingdom (Ex. Sultanate)

Step 4: Explore the coins with pictorial descriptions.

Sources of Medieval India URL:

https://www.mintageworld.com/ (or) scan the QR Code

*Pictures are indicative only

*If browser requires, allow Flash Player or Java Script to load the page.
Unit -II
Emergence of New Kingdoms in North India

Khandarya Temple

Learning Objectives

- To acquire knowledge about the kingdoms of Rajputs and their counterparts in North India
- To assess the contributions of Rajputs and Palas to Indian culture
- To know about the early military expeditions of Arabs and Turks

Introduction:

There are plenty of stories that speak of the valour and chivalry of Rajputs. Rajput states formed a collective entity that was called Rajputana. Chittor was prominent and had become the rallying point for all Rajput clans. It was small compared to Malwa and Gujarat. Yet the Rajputs ruled over these states. In commemoration of the victory of Rana of Chittor over Malwa, the Jaya Stambha, the tower of victory, was built in Chittor. The Pratiharas and the Palas had established their powerful kingdoms in western India and in eastern India respectively. By the 9th century, the Pratihara dynasty had progressed to such an extent that it called itself the sovereigns of Rajasthan and Kanauj. The decline of Pratihara kingdom led to the rise of Palas in Bengal and Chauhans in north-western India. India’s Islamic period might have begun in the immediate context of Arabs’ conquest of Sind (A.D. (CE)712) rather than in A.D. (CE)1200. But the resistance shown by the kings of Kanauj, especially of Yasovarman (A.D. (CE)736) and later by the Rajput chiefs and kings who held Kanauj and most of northern India until the middle of the 10th century made it impossible.
Origin of the Rajputs

The word ‘Rajput’ is derived from the Sanskrit word Rajputra, which means 'scion of the royal blood'. After the death of Harsha in A.D. (CE) 647, various Rajput clans established kingdoms in different parts of northern and central India. The Rajputs trace their pedigree far back into the past. Their three principal houses are the Suryavanshi or the Race of the Sun, the Chandravanshi or the Race of the Moon and the Agnikula or the Race of Fire God. Among those who claimed descent from solar and lunar lines, Chandelas of Bundelkhand were prominent. Tomaras were ruling in the Haryana region. But they were overthrown by the Chauhans in the 12th century.

Thirty-six royal Rajput clans were listed by the Oriental scholar James Tod in A.D. (CE) 1829. Among them four claimed a special status: the Pratiharas, the Chauhans, the Chalukyas (different from the Deccan Chalukyas), known...
as Solankis, and the Paramaras of Pawars. All the four clans were of the Agnikula origin.

**Pratiharas**

The Pratiharas or Gurjara Pratiharas, one of the four prominent clans of the Rajputs, ruled from Gurjaratra (in Jodhpur). In the 6th century A.D. (CE), Harichendra laid the foundation of the Gurjara dynasty. Nagabhata I was the first and prominent ruler of Pratiharas. In the 8th century, he ruled over Broach and Jodhpur and extended his dominion upto Gwalior. He repulsed the invasion of the Arabs of Sind from the east and checked their expansion. He was succeeded by Vatsaraja, who desired to dominate the whole of North India. His attempt to control over Kanauj brought him into conflict with the Pala ruler Dharmapala.

There was a prolonged tripartite struggle between the Gurjara Pratiharas of Malwa, the Rashtrakutas of Deccan and the Palas of Bengal, as each one of them wanted to establish their supremacy over the fertile region of Kanauj. In the process, all the three powers were weakened.

Vatsaraja’s successors Nagabhata-II and Rambhadra did not do anything impressively. Mihirabhoja or Bhoja, son of Rambhadra, within a few years of his accession, succeeded in consolidating the power of the Pratiharas. As a strong ruler, Bhoja was able to maintain peace in his kingdom. The Arab menace was firmly tackled by him. After Bhoja, the Pratihara Empire continued its full glory for nearly a century.

Having successfully resisted the Arabs, the Pratiharas turned their attention towards the east and by the end of millennium, they ruled over a large part of Rajasthan and Malwa. They also held Kanauj for some time. The Rajputs fought each other endlessly in the 11th and 12th centuries. Taking advantage of these internecine quarrels, many local kings succeeded in making themselves independent.

**Palas**

**Dharmapala (A.D. (CE) 770 - 810)**

Gopala, who founded the Pala dynasty, did not have royal antecedents. He was elected by the people for his superior capabilities. During his reign from 750 to 770, Gopala laid the foundations for the future greatness of this dynasty in Bengal. Dharmapala, his son, made the Pala kingdom a powerful force in northern Indian politics. He led a successful campaign against Kanauj. He was a great patron of Buddhism. He founded Vikramashila Monastery, which became a great centre of Buddhist learning.

Vikramashila Monastery

Dharmapala was succeeded by his son, Devapala, who extended Pala control eastwards into Kamarupa (Assam). Devapala was also a great patron of Buddhism. He gifted five villages to Buddhists. He also constructed many temples along with monasteries in Magadha. According to the historian R.C. Majumdar, ‘The reigns of Dharmapala and Devapala constitute the most brilliant chapter in the history of Bengal.’
After Devapala, five rulers ruled the region insignificantly. The kingdom attained unprecedented glory when Mahipala ascended the throne in 988.

**Mahipala I (988 - 1038)**

Mahipala I was the most powerful ruler of the Pala dynasty. He is called the founder of the second Pala dynasty. The decline of Pratiharas gave the Palas an opportunity to take a leading role in north Indian affairs. But he could not extend his domain beyond Banaras because of the impressive campaigns of the Chola king from the South, Rajendra Chola. Mahipala restored the old glory of the Palas. He constructed and repaired a large number of religious buildings at Banaras, Sarnath and Nalanda.

The Pala dynasty declined soon after the death of Mahipala and gave way to the Sena dynasty.

**The Chauhans**

The Chauhans ruled between A.D. (CE) 956 and 1192 over the eastern parts of the present-day Rajasthan, establishing their capital at Sakambari. This Rajput dynasty was founded by Simharaji, who was popularly known as the founder of the city of Ajmer.

The Chauhans were the feudatories of the Pratiharas and staunchly stood by them to check the Arab invasions. The last of Chauhan kings, Prithviraj Chauhan, was considered the greatest of all Chauhan rulers. He defeated Muhammad Ghori in the first battle of Tarain fought in 1191. However, he was defeated and killed in the second battle of Tarain in 1192.

There is a long epic poem *Prithvirajraso*, composed by the bard Chand Bardai, a few centuries later. The story goes like this: The daughter of the King of Kanauj was to marry. A *suyamwara* (the bride choosing the bridegroom of her choice) was held to enable her to choose her husband. But she was in love with Prithviraj and desired to marry him. Prithviraj was the enemy of her father. In order to insult him, the King of Kanauj had not only denied him an invitation but had placed a statue of Prithviraj as doorkeeper at the entrance to his court. To the shock of everyone assembled, the princess rejected the princes present and garlanded the statue of Prithviraj, indicating her choice. Prithviraj, who had been hiding in the vicinity, jumped in and rode away with the princess in a horse. Later both of them were married.

**Contribution of Rajputs to Art and Architecture**

**Art**

Rajasthani Painting
Rajput courts were centres of culture where literature, music, dance, paintings, fine arts and sculpture flourished. A specific style of Rajput painting—often focusing on religious themes emerged at Rajput courts. Their style of painting is called ‘Rajasthani’. The Rajasthani style of painting can be seen at Bikaner, Jodhpur, Mewar, Jaisalmer (all in Rajasthan).

**Architecture**

The Rajputs were great builders. Some of the important examples of the Rajput buildings are the strong fortresses of Chittorgarh, Ranathambhor and Kumbhahgarh (all in Rajasthan), Mandu, Gwalior, Chanderi and Asirgarh (all in Madhya Pradesh).

The examples of domestic architecture of the Rajputs are the palaces of Mansingh at Gwalior, the buildings at Amber (Jaipur) and lake palaces at Udaipur. Many of the Rajput cities and palaces stand among the hills in forts or by the side of beautiful artificial lakes. The castle of Jodhpur in Rajasthan is perched upon a lofty rock overlooking the town.

The temples the Rajput rulers built have won the admiration of art critics. The temples in Khajuraho, the Sun temple in Konark, the Dhilwara Jain temple constructed in Mount Abu and Khandarya temple at Madhya Pradesh are illustrious examples of their architecture.

**Kajuraho**

The Khajuraho in Bundelkhand has 30 temples. The *shikharas* of the Khajuraho temples are most elegant. The exterior and interior parts of the temples are adorned with very fine sculptures. These temples are dedicated to Jain Tirthankaras and Hindu deities like Shiva and Vishnu.

There are sixteen Hindu and Jain temples at Osian, which is 32 miles away from Jodhpur.
The Jain temple at Mount Abu has a white marble hall and a central dome of 11 concentric rings and richly carved vaulted ceiling and pillars.

The Raksha Bandan (Rakhi) tradition is attributed to Rajputs. Raksha (protection) Bandhan (to tie) is a festival that celebrates brotherhood and love. It is believed that if a woman ties a rakhi around the wrists of male members, it means they are treating them like brothers. Such men are placed under an obligation to protect them.

Rabindranath Tagore started a mass Raksha Bandhan festival during the Partition of Bengal (1905), in which he encouraged Hindu and Muslim women to tie a rakhi on men from the other community and make them their brothers. The exercise was designed to counter British efforts to create a divide between Hindus and Muslims.

Contribution of Palas to Culture

The Palas were adherents to the Mahayana school of Buddhism. They were generous patrons of Buddhist temples and the famous universities of Nalanda and Vikramashila. It was through their missionaries that Buddhism was established in Tibet. The celebrated Buddhist monk, Atisha (981-1054), who reformed Tibetan Buddhism, was the president of the Vikramashila monastery. The Palas also maintained cordial relations with the Hindu-Buddhist state of the Shailendras of Sumatra and Java.

Under Pala patronage, a distinctive school of art arose, called Pala art or Eastern Indian art. Pala artistic style flourished in present-day states of Bihar and West Bengal, and also in present-day Bangladesh. It was chiefly represented by bronze sculptures and palm-leaf paintings, celebrating the Buddha and other divinities. The Pala bronze sculptures from this area played an important part in the spread of Indian culture in Southeast Asia.

Advent of Islam

Islam as a religious faith originated at Mecca in Arabia. The founder of Islam was Prophet Muhammed. The followers of Islam are called Muslims. An Islamic state, especially the one ruled by a single religious and political leader, was known as ‘Caliphate’. Caliph means a representative of the Prophet Muhammed. Two early Caliphates were ‘Umayyads’ and the ‘Abbasids’. Both the Umayyads and the Abbasids expanded their rule separately by their conquests and by preaching the principles of Islam.

In the 8th century India, the Arab presence appeared in the form of a Muslim army that
conquered the Sind. But their further expansion was made impossible by the kings of Gangetic plains and the Deccan. By the end of the 9th century, with the decline of the Abbasid Caliphate, the Arab garrisons in India and elsewhere threw off Caliph's control and began to rule independently.

The Turkish governor, Alp-Tegin, was one among them whose capital was Ghazni (Afghanistan). His successor and son-in-law Sabuktigin wanted to conquer India from the north-west. But only his son Mahmud succeeded in this endeavour.

**Arab Conquest of Sind and its Impact**

In A.D. (CE) 712, Muhammad bin Qasim who was the commander of the Umayyad kingdom invaded Sind. Qasim defeated Dahir, the ruler of Sind, and killed him in the battle. The capital of Sind, Aror, was captured. Qasim extended his conquest further into Multan. He organised the administration of Sind. The people of Sind were given the status of ‘protected subjects’. There was no interference in the lives and religions of the people. But soon Qasim was recalled by the Caliph.

The Arab scholars visited Sind and studied many Indian literary works. They translated many Sanskrit books on astronomy, philosophy, mathematics and medicine into Arabic. They learnt the numerals 0 to 9 from India. Until then, the people in the West did not know the use of zero. Through the Arabs, Europe gained more knowledge in mathematics. The importance of zero was learnt by them from India. It is believed that the people in the West and the Arabs learnt the game of chess only from the Indians.
Mahmud of Ghazni (A.D. (CE) 997 -1030)

Mahmud is said to have conducted 17 raids into India. At that time, North India was divided into number of small kingdoms. One of them was Shahi kingdom, which extended from Punjab to Kabul. The other important kingdoms were Kanauj, Gujarat, Kashmir, Nepal, Malwa and Bundelkhand. The initial raids were against the Shahi kingdom in which its king Jayapala was defeated in 1001. After his defeat, Jayapala immolated himself because he thought that this defeat was a disgrace. His successor Anandapala fought against Mahmud but was defeated in the battle of Waihind, near Peshawar, in 1008. As a result of his victory at Waihind, Mahmud extended his rule over Punjab.

The subsequent raids of Mahmud into India were aimed at plundering the rich temples and cities of North India. In 1011 he raided Nagarkot in Punjab hills and Thaneshwar near Delhi.

Ruins of Somnath Temple

In 1018 Mahmud plundered the holy city of Mathura. He also attacked Kanauj. The ruler of Kanauj, Rajyapala, abandoned Kanauj and later died. Mahmud returned with enormous riches. His next important raid took place in Gujarat. In 1024 A.D. (CE) Mahmud marched from Multan across Rajaputana and defeated the Solanki king Bhimagada I and plundered Anhilwad. Mahmud is said to have sacked the famous temple of Somanath, breaking the idol. Then he returned through the Sind desert. That was his last campaign in India. Mahmud died in 1030 A.D. (CE) The Ghaznavid Empire roughly included Persia, Trans-Oxyana, Afghanistan and Punjab.

Muhammad of Ghor (1149 - 1206)

Muhammad of Ghor or Muhammad Ghor started as a vassal of Ghazni but became independent after the death of Mahmud. Taking advantage of the decline of the Ghaznavid Empire, Muhammad Ghor brought Ghazni under his control. Having made his position strong and secure at Ghazni, Muhammad turned his attention to India. Unlike Mahmud of Ghazni, he wanted to extend his empire by conquering India. In 1175 Muhammad captured Multan and occupied whole of it in his subsequent expeditions. In 1186 he attacked Punjab and captured it.

The Battle of Tarain (1191 - 1192)

Realising the grave situation in which they were caught, the Hindu princes of North India formed a confederacy under the command of Prithviraj Chauhan. Prithviraj rose to the occasion and defeated Muhammad in the battle of Tarain near Delhi in 1191. This was called the first battle of Tarain. To avenge this defeat, Muhammad made serious preparations and gathered a huge army. He arrived with his large force in Lahore via Peshawar and Multan. He sent a message to Prithviraj, asking him to acknowledge his supremacy and become a
Muslim. But Prithviraj rejected the proposal and prepared his army to resist the invader. Many Hindu kings and chieftains also joined him. In the ensuing second battle of Tarain in 1192, Muhammad thoroughly routed the army of Prithviraj who was captured and killed.

The second battle of Tarain was a major disaster for the Rajputs. Their political prestige suffered a serious setback. The whole Chauhan kingdom now lay at the feet of the invader. The first Muslim kingdom was thus firmly established in India at Ajmer and a new era in the history of India began. After his victory over Prithviraj at Tarain, Muhammad returned to Ghazni to deal with the threat from the Turks and the Mongols. After the death of Muhammad in 1206, his most capable general Qutb-ud-din Aibak who had been left behind in India took control of Muhammad’s territories in India and declared himself as the First Sultan of Delhi.

**Summary**

- After Harsha, new regional powers emerged. Prominent ruling dynasties among them were Pratiharas, Palas, Chauhans and Paramaras.
- Pratiharas and Palas were battling to control the northern plains. Their focus was on capturing the city of Kanauj.
- The continued conflict over the possession of Kanauj prompted the local chieftains and kings to declare themselves independent.
- The Rajputs and Palas made impressive contribution to the evolving Indian culture.
- The attempts of Arabs to expand were resisted by various rulers.
- Military raids of Mahmud of Ghazni in the 11th century followed by expeditions of Muhammad of Ghor paved the way for the establishment of Islamic rule in India.

**Glossary**

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**I. Choose the correct answer**

1. Who wrote *Prithvirajrass*?
   - a. Kalhana
   - b. Vishakadatta
   - c. Rajasekara
   - d. Chand Bardai
2. Who was the first prominent ruler of Pratiharas?
   a. Bhoja I    b. Naga Bhatta I
   c. Jayapala    d. Chandradeva

3. Ghazni was a small principality in ________
   a. Mangolia    b. Turkey
   c. Persia      d. Afghanistan

4. What was the most important cause of the invasion of Mahmud of Ghazni?
   a. To destroy idolatry
   b. To plunder the wealth of India
   c. To spread Islam in India
   d. To establish a Muslim state in India

II  Fill in the blanks

1. ____________ was the founder of Vikramashila University.

2. Arabs conquered Sind in ______________.

3. The city of Ajmeer was founded by ____________.

4. The Khandarya temple is in ________________.

III  Match the following

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IV True or False

1. Rajputra is a Latin word.
2. King Gopala was elected by the people.
3. The temple at Mount Abu is dedicated to Lord Shiva.
4. Raksha Bandan is a festival of brotherhood.

5. Indians learnt the numerals 0 – 9 from Arabs.

V  Consider the following statements.
Tick (✔) the appropriate answer.

1. **Assertion:** The tripartite struggle was to have control over Kanauj.
   **Reason:** Kanauj was a big city.
   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. **Statement I.** Mahipala could not extend his domain beyond Benaras.
   **Statement II.** Mahipala and Rajendra Chola were contemporaries.
   a. I is correct.
   b. II is correct.
   c. I and II are correct.
   d. I and II are false.

3. **Assertion:** India’s Islamic period did not begin after Arab conquest of Sind in AD (CE)712.
   **Reason:** Gurjara Pratiharas gave a stiff resistance to Arabs.
   a. R is the correct explanation of A.
   b. R is not the correct explanation of A.
   c. A is correct and R is wrong.
   d. A is wrong and R is correct.

4. **Assertion:** The second battle of Tarain was lost by Prithiviraj.
   **Reason:** There was disunity among the Rajputs
   a. R is the correct explanation of A.
   b. R is not the correct explanation of A.
   c. A is correct and R is wrong.
   d. A is wrong and R is correct.
5. Consider the following statements and find out which is/are correct.

1. Raksha Bandan tradition is attributed to Rajputs.
2. Tagore started a mass Raksha Bandan festival during Partition of Bengal.
3. Raksha Bandan was to counter the British attempt to create a divide between Hindus and Muslims.

   a. 1 is correct.
   b. 2 is correct.
   c. 3 is correct.
   d. All the above are correct.

VI Answer in one or two sentences

1. Write about tripartite struggle over Kanauj.
2. Name any four Rajput clans.
3. Who was the founder of Pala dynasty?
4. Mention the first two early Caliphates.
5. Name the ruler of Sind who was defeated by Qasim.

VII Answer the following

1. What was the impact of Arab conquest of Sind? (point out any five)

VIII HOTs

   a. Difference between Mahmud Ghazni’s invasion and Muhammad Ghor’s invasion.
   b. Find out

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IX Students activity

a. Word Splash

(Students discuss what they know about the words given here. They use the words from what they have learnt in a narrative form)
b. Time Line

Write the event for the given year in each column.

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X Map work

On the river map of India mark the territories ruled by Pratiharas, Chauhans, Palas and Paramaras.

XI Answer Grid

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<td>2. Rajput style of Painting is called ________</td>
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<td>3. How many Rajput clans were there?</td>
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<td>4. Who established the first Islamic empire in India?</td>
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<td>5. Who was the first Sultan of Delhi?</td>
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<td>6. Where is Mecca?</td>
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XII. Life skill

Make an album with the pictures of temples built by Rajput rulers.

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Learning Objectives

- To trace the origin of the later Cholas and the later Pandyas
- To know about the prominent rulers of both the kingdoms
- To acquaint with their administrative system
- To understand the social, economic and cultural development during their reign

I. The Later Cholas

Introduction

The Cholas are one among the popular and well-known Tamil monarchs in the history of South India. The elaborate state structure, the extensive irrigation network, the vast number of temples they built, their great contributions to art and architecture and their overseas exploits have given them a pre-eminent position in history.

Revival of the Chola Rule

The ancient Chola kingdom reigned supreme with the Kaveri delta forming the core area of its rule and with Uraiyur (present-day Tiruchirappalli) as its capital. It rose to prominence during the reign of Karikala but gradually declined under his successors. In the 9th century Vijayalaya, ruling over a small territory lying north of the Kaveri, revived the Chola Dynasty. He conquered Thanjavur and made it his capital. Later Rajendra I and his successors ruled the empire from Gangaikonda Cholapuram, the newly built capital.

Rajaraja I (A.D. (CE) 985 - 1016) was the most powerful ruler of Chola empire and also grew popular beyond his times. He established Chola authority over large parts of South India. His much-acclaimed naval expeditions led to the expansion of Cholas into the West Coast and Sri Lanka. He built the famous Rajarajeswaram (Brihadeshwara) Temple in Thanjavur. His son and successor, Rajendra Chola I (A.D. (CE) 1016 - 1044, matched his father in his ability to
expand the empire. The Chola empire remained a powerful force in South India during his reign. After his accession in A.D. (CE) 1023, his striking military expedition was to northern India, capturing much territory there. He proclaimed himself the Gangaikondan (conqueror of the Gangai region). The Gangaikonda Cholapuram temple was built to commemorate his victories in North India. The navy of Rajendra Chola enabled him to conquer the kingdom of Srivijaya (southern Sumatra). Cholas’ control over the seas facilitated a flourishing overseas trade.

Decline of the Chola Empire

Rajendra Chola’s three successors were not capable rulers. The third successor Veerarajendra’s son Athirajendra was killed in civil unrest. With his death ended the Vijayalaya line of Chola rule. On hearing the death of Athirajendra, the Eastern Chalukya prince Rajendra Chalukya seized the Chola throne and began the rule of Chalukya-Chola dynasty as Kulothunga I. Kulothunga established himself firmly on the Chola throne soon eliminating all the threats to the Chola Empire. He avoided unnecessary wars and earned the goodwill of his subjects. But Kulothunga lost the territories in Ceylon. The Pandya territory also began to slip out of Chola control. Kanchipuram was lost to the Telugu Cholas. The year 1279 marks the end of Chola dynasty when King Maravarman Kulasekara Pandyan I defeated the last king Rajendra Chola III and established the rule of the Pandyas in present-day Tamil Nadu.

Administration

The central administration was in the hands of king. As the head of the state, the king enjoyed enormous powers. The king’s orders were written down in palm leaves by his officials or inscribed on the temple walls. The kingship was hereditary in nature. The ruler selected his eldest son as the heir apparent. He was known as Yuvaraja. The Yuvarajas were appointed as Governors in the provinces mainly for administrative training.

The Chola rulers established a well-organised system of administration. The empire, for administrative convenience, was divided into provinces or mandalams. Each mandalam was sub-divided into naadus. Within each naadu, there were many kurram (groups of villages). The lowest unit was the gramam (village).
Local Governance

Local administration worked through various bodies such as Urar, Sabhaiyar, Nagarattar and Nattar. With the expansion of agriculture, numerous peasant settlements came up on the countryside. They were known as Ur. The Urar, who were landholders acted as spokesmen in the Ur. Sabhaiyar in Brahman villages also functioned in carrying out administrative, financial and judicial functions. Nagarattar administered the settlement of traders. However, skilled artisans like masons, blacksmiths, goldsmiths, weavers and potters also lived in Nagaram. Nattar functioned as an assembly of Nadu and decided all the disputes and issues pertaining to Nadu.

The assemblies in Ur, Sabha, Nagaram and Nadu worked through various committees. The committees took care of irrigation, roads, temples, gardens, collection of revenue and conduct of religious festivals.

Uttiramerur Inscriptions

Uttiramerur presently in Kanchipuram district was a Brahmadeya village (land grants given to Brahmins).

There is a detailed description of how members were elected to the committees of the village sabha in the inscriptions found there. One member was to be elected from each ward. There were 30 wards in total. The eligibility to contest was to men in the age group of 35–70, well-versed in vedic texts and scriptures, and also owned land and house. The process of election was as follows: The names of qualified candidates from each ward were written on the palm-leaf slips and put into a pot. The eldest of the assembly would engage a boy to pull out one slip and declare his name. Various committees were decided in this way.

Revenue

The revenue of the Chola state came mainly from the land. The land tax was known as Kanikadan. The Chola rulers carried out an elaborate survey of land in order to fix the government’s share of the land revenue. One-third of produce was collected as land tax. It was collected mostly in kind. In addition to land tax, there were taxes on profession and tolls on trade.

Social Structure Based on Land Relations

The Chola rulers gifted tax-free lands to royal officials, Brahmins, temples (devadana villages) and religious institutions. Land granted to Jain institutions was called pallichandam. There were also of vellanvagai land and the holders of this land were called Vellalars. Ulu-kudi, a sub-section of Vellalar, could not own land but had to cultivate Brahmadeya and vellanvagai lands. The holders of vellanvagai land retained melvaram (major share in harvest). The ulu-kudi got kil-varam (lower share). Adimai (slaves) and panicey-makkal (labourers) occupied the lowest
rung of society. In the intermediate section came the armed men and traders.

Irrigation

Cholas gave importance to irrigation. The 16-mile long embankment built by Rajendra Chola in Gangaikonda Cholapuram is an illustrious example. *Vati-vaykkal*, a criss-cross channel, is a traditional type of harnessing rain water in the Cauvery delta. *Vati* is a drainage channel and a *vaykkal* is the supply channel. The commonly owned village channel was called *ur-vaykkal*. The nadu level vaykkal is referred to as *nada-vaykkal*. The turn-system was in practice in distributing the water.

Religion

Chola rulers were ardent Saivites. Hymns, in praise of the deeds of Lord Siva, were composed by the Saiva saints, the Nayanmars. NambiyandarNambi codified them, which came to be known as the *Thirumurai*.

Temples

The Chola period witnessed an extensive construction of temples. The temples in Thanjavur, Gangaikonda Cholapuram and Darasuram are the repository of architecture, sculpture, paintings and iconography of the Chola art. Temples during the Chola period were not merely places of worship. They were the largest landholders. Temples promoted education, and devotional forms of art such as dance, music and drama. The staff of the temples included temple officials, dancing girls, musicians, singers, players of musical instruments and the priests.

Cholas as Patrons of Learning

Chola kings were great patrons of learning. Rajendra I established a Vedic college at Ennayiram (now in Villupuram District). There were 340 students learning the Vedas, grammar and Upanishads under 14 teachers. This example was later followed by his successors and as a result two more such colleges had been founded, at Tirubuvanai near present-day Puducherry and Tirumukkoodal in present-day Chengalpattu district, in 1048 and 1067 respectively. The great literary works *Periyapuranam* and *Kamba Ramayanam* belong to this period.

Trade

There was a flourishing trade during the Chola period. Trade was carried out by two guild-like groups: *anju-vannattar* and *mani-gramattar*. *Anju-vannattar* comprised West Asians, Arabs, Jews, Christians and Muslims.
They were maritime traders and settled on the port towns all along the West Coast. It is said that mani-gramattar were the traders engaged in inland trade. In due course, both groups merged under the banner of ai-nutruvar and disai-ayirattu-ai-nutruvar functioning through the head guild in Ayyavole, Karnataka. This ai-nutruvar guild operated the maritime trade covering South-East Asian countries. Through overseas trade with South-East Asian countries elephant tusks, coral, transparent glass, betel nuts, cardamom, opaque glass, cotton stuff with coloured silk threads were imported. The items exported from here were sandalwood, ebony, condiments, precious gems, pepper, oil, paddy, grains and salt.

**II. The Later Pandyas**

**Introduction**

Pandyas were one of the three ancient Tamil dynasties that ruled southern India since the 4th century B.C. (BCE) but intermittently. Korkai, associated with pearl fisheries, is believed to have been their early capital and port. They moved to Madurai later, as many early Tamil inscriptions of Pandyas have been unearthed in Madurai and its surroundings. Under the Pandyas of the Sangam Age, Madurai was a great centre of culture. Poets and writers of Tamil language gathered there and contributed to the development of Tamil Classics. The Pandyas had re-established their strong position in south Tamil Nadu by the end of the 6th century A.D. (CE), after eliminating the rule of Kalabhras. But they could not resist the rising power of the later Cholas who ruled South India from 9th to 13th century. Thereafter taking advantage of the decline of Chola power, the later Pandyas re-established their authority. Their rule continued until 16th century.

**Revival of Pandya Kingdom (A.D. (CE) 600 - 920)**

Kadunkon recovered Pandya territory from the Kalabhras towards the close of 6th century. He was succeeded by two others. Arikesari Maravarman was the first strong Pandya ruler who ascended the throne in A.D. (CE) 642. He was a contemporary of Mahendravarman I and Narasingavarman I. Inscriptions and copper plates praise his victory over his counterparts: Cheras, Cholas, Pallavas and Sinhalese. Arikesari Maravarman is identified with the Kun Pandian, the persecutor of Jains.

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**Saivite saint Thirugnanasambandar converted Arikesari from Jainism to Saivism. On his conversion, Arikesari is alleged to have impaled around 8000 Jains on stakes. Though the number is an exaggerated one, the anti-Jain attitude of Arikesari after his conversion to Saivism cannot be doubted.**

After Arikesari, the greatest of the dynasty was Jatila Parantaka Nedunjadayan (Varaguna I) (756-815), the donor of the Velvikkudi plates. Nedunjadayan expanded the Pandya territory to include Thanjavur, Tiruchirappalli, Salem and Coimbatore districts. Nedunjadayan's successors Srimara Srivallabha and Varaguna II, were successively defeated by Pallavas. Later they could not face the rising Chola dynasty under Parantaka I. Parantaka I defeated the Pandya king Rajasimha II who fled the country in 920. Thus ended the Pandya rule revived by Kadungon.
Rise of Later Pandyas (1190 - 1310)

The Chola viceroyalty became weak in Pandya country after the death of Adhirajendra (the last king of Vijayalaya line). Eventually the Pandya kingdom could emerge as the only leading Tamil dynasty in the 13th century. Madurai continued to be their capital. Now Kayal was their great port. Marco Polo, a famous traveller from Venice, visited Kayal twice, in 1288 and 1293. He tells us that this port town was full of ships from Arabia and China and bustling with business activities.

Marco Polo hailed the Pandyan Kingdom as ‘the richest and the most splendid province in the world.’ Together with Ceylon, he added, it ‘produced most of the gems and pearls that are found in the world’. In his travel account he recorded the incidents of sati and the polygamy practiced by the kings.

Sadaiyavarman Sundarapandyan

The illustrious ruler of the second Pandya Kingdom was Sadaiyavarman (Jatavarman) Sundarapandyan (1251 to 1268). He brought the entire Tamil Nadu under his rule, which extended up to Nellore in Andhra. He held the Hoysalas in check. The Chera ruler, the chief of Malanadu, accepted his feudatory position and paid tribute to Sundarapandyan. Emboldened by the decline of the Chola state, the Boja King of Malwa region Vira Someswara challenged Sundarapandyan. In a war at Kannanur, Sundarapandyan defeated Someswara. Sundarapandyan succeeded in establishing his authority over the chieftains of Cuddalore, Kanchipuram in northern Tamil Nadu, Arcot and Salem in the western region.

There were two or three regents who ruled simultaneously along with Sundarapandyan: VikramaPandyan and ViraPandyan. After Sundarapandyan, Maravarman Kulasekaran ruled successfully for a period of 40 years, giving the country peace and prosperity. He had two sons. The king’s appointment of ViraPandyan as a co-regent provoked the other son Sundara Pandyan who killed his father Maravarman Kulasekaran. In the civil war that ensued, ViraPandyan won and became firmly established in his kingdom. The defeated SundaraPandyan fled to Delhi and took refuge under the protection of Ala-ud-din Khalji. This provided the opening for the invasion of Malik Kafur.

After Malik Kafur’s invasion, the Pandyan Kingdom came to be divided among a number of kings from the main ruling Pandya’s family. In Madurai, a Muslim State subordinate to the Delhi Sultan came to be established.
Polity and Society

State

Pandya kings preferred Madurai as their capital. Madurai has been popularly venerated as Koodal. The kings are traditionally revered as Koodal-kon, Koodal Nagar Kavalan. The Pandyas derived military advantage over their neighbours by means of their horses. They imported these horses through Arabs with whom they had commercial and cultural contact.

The king claimed that he was ruling according to Manu Sastra. This doctrine supported the social hierarchy in the society. Kings and local chiefs created Brahmin settlements called Mangalam or Chatur-vedi-mangalam with irrigation facilities. The actual landowning groups are described as the Bumiputtirar, otherwise called the vellalar. Historically they were locals and hence they were referred to as nattu-makkal. The communal assembly of this group is Cittira Meli Perianattar.

Royal Officials

A band of officials executed the royal orders. The prime minister was uttara-mantri. The historical personalities like Manickavasagar, Kulaciraiyar and Marankari worked as ministers. The royal secretariat was known as eluttu-mandapam. The most respected officials were maran-eycinan, sattan-ganapathy, enathi-sattan, tira-tiran, maruthi-eycinan and others. The titles of military commanders were palli-velan, parantakan-palli-velan, maran-adittan and tennavan-tamilvel.

Administrative Divisions

Pandy nadu, as in Chola state, consisted of many provinces known as vala-nadus, which, in turn, were divided into many nadus and kurrams. The administrative authorities of nadus were the nattars. Nadu and Kurram contained settlements, viz. mangalam, nagaram, ur and kudi, where different social groups inhabited.

Village Administration

An inscription from Manur (Tirunelveli district) dated A.D. (CE) 800 provides an account of village administration. It looks similar to Chola’s local governance that included village assemblies and committees. Both civil and military powers seem to have been vested in the same person.

Irrigation

The Pandya rulers created a number of irrigation sources. On either side of the rivers Vaigai and Tamirparani, channels leading to the irrigation tanks were built. In southern Tamilnadu, like the Cholas, Pandyas introduced the new irrigation technology. Irrigation works were done by local administrative bodies, local chiefs and officials. Repairs were mostly undertaken by local bodies. Sometimes, traders also dug out tanks for irrigation.

Religion

Pandyas extended patronage to vedic practices. Velvikkudi copper plates as well as inscriptional sources mention the rituals like Asvameda yaga, Hiranya garbha and Vajapeya yaga, conducted by every great Pandya king. The impartiality of rulers towards both Saivism and Vaishnavism is also made known in the invocatory portions of the inscriptions. Temples of both sects were
patronised through land grant, tax-exemption and renovation.

The great Saiva and Vaishnava saints (Nayanmaras and Alwars) combined contributed to the growth of Tamil literature and spiritual enlightenment. The period was marked by intense religious conflict. The Bhakti movement of the time prompted the heterodox scholars for a debate. Many instances of the defeat of Buddhists and Jains in such debates are mentioned in Bhakti literature. The Pandya kings of the period supported and promoted Tamil and Sanskrit.

**Temples**

Medieval Pandyas and later Pandyas did not build any new temples but maintained the existing temples, enlarging them with the addition of *gopuras*, and *mandapas*. The monolithic mega size ornamented pillars are the unique feature of the medieval Pandya style. The sculptures of Siva, Vishnu, Kotravai, Ganesa and Subramanya are the best specimens in these temples. Pandyas specially patronised the historic Meenakshi temple at Madurai and kept expanding its premises by adding gopuras and mandapas.

**Trade**

Arab settlements on the west coast of southern India, from 7th century, had led to the expansion of their trade connection to the east coast because the governments of the east coast pursued a more liberal and enlightened policy towards overseas traders. Their charters exempted traders from various types of port dues and tolls. In Kayal, there was an agency established by an Arab chieftain by name Malik-ul-Islam Jamal-ud-din. This agency facilitated availability of horses to Pandya kings.

In 13th and 14th centuries, horse trade became brisk. Marco Polo and Wassaff state that the kings invested in horses as there was a need of horse for ceremonial purposes as well as for fighting wars. Those who were trading in horses were called *kudirai chetties*. They were active in maritime trade also. The busiest port town under the Pandyas was *Kayal Pattinam* (now in Thoothukudi district) on the east coast. Gold coins were in circulation as the trade was carried through the medium of gold. It was variously called *kasu, kalanchu* and *pon*.

The vast trade in horses of that time has been recorded by Wassaff. He writes: ‘...as many as 10,000 horses were imported into Kayal and other ports of India of which 1,400 were to be of Jamal-ud-din's own breed. The average cost of each horse was 220 dinars of "red gold".

**Summary**

- The Cholas and Pandyas are well known Tamil monarchs.
- Vijayalaya revived the Chola dynasty.
The prominent Chola rulers are Rajaraja I and Rajendra I.

Uttiramerur inscriptions provide details of village administration.

Kodunkon recovered Pandya territory from Kalabhras. Arikesari Maravarman and Parantaka Nedunjadayan were his two prominent successors.

The illustrious rulers of later Pandya kingdom were Sadaayavarman Sundarapandyan and Maravarman Kulasekaran.

Maritime trade during Pandyas is highlighted by Marco Polo and Wassaff.

### Glossary

| 1. Matrimonial alliances | political alliances through marriages | திருமண உறவுகள் மூலம் அரசியல் கூட்டு டட்டகுறுநிலம்
| 2. Embankment | a wall or stone structure built to prevent a river flooding an area as well as to store its water | தடுப்பண்
| 3. Ardent | passionate | உன்னிறமான
| 4. Feudatory | a subordinate to another sovereign/ruler | அரசருக்குக் கட்டுப்பட்டுகுறுநிலம்
| 5. Refuge | shelter | புகலி
| 6. Repository | place in which things are stored | கருவூலம்

### Evaluation

1. Who revived the later Chola dynasty?
   - a. Vijayalaya
   - b. Rajaraja I
   - c. Rajendra I
   - d. Athirajendra

2. Who among the following Pandya rulers is known for ending the Kalabhra rule?
   - a. Kadunkon
   - b. ViraPandyan
   - c. Kun Pandyan
   - d. Varaguna

3. Which of the following was the lowest unit of Chola administration?
   - a. Mandalam
   - b. Nadu
   - c. Kurram
   - d. Ur

4. Who was the last ruler Vijayalaya line of Chola dynasty?
   - a. VeeraRajendra
   - b. Rajadhiraja
   - c. AthiRajendra
   - d. Rajaraja II

5. An example of Chola architecture can be seen at ________.
   - a. Kannayiram
   - b. Uraiyur
   - c. Kanchipuram
   - d. Thanjavur
6. To which of the following, Marco Polo went in the last decade of 13th century in India?
   a. Chola mandalam
   b. Pandya country
   c. Kongu region
   d. Malainadu

II Fill in the blanks
1. __________________ built the famous Brihadeshwara Temple at Thanjavur.
2. __________________ established a Vedic college at Ennayiram.
3. __________________ was the donor of Velvikudi copper plates.
4. The royal secretariat of Pandya kingdom was known as__________________.

III Match the Following

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IV. True or False
1. A Muslim state subordinate to Delhi Sultan was in Madurai.
2. Koodal – nagar Kavalan was the title of a Pandya king.
3. Chola kingdom was situated in Vaigai delta.
5. The elder son of the Chola king was called Yuvaraja.

V Consider the following statements.
Tick (✓) the appropriate answer.
1. Which of the following statements about Later Cholas are correct?
   1. They had a system of Local self government.
   2. They maintained a strong navy.
   3. They were the followers of Buddhism.
   4. They built big temples.
      a.1,2 and 3
      b.2,3 and 4
      c.1,2 and 4
      d.1,3 and 4

2. Which of the following statements are true with regard to Rajendra Chola?
   1. He assumed the title Gangaikonda Chola.
   2. He conquered Southern Sumatra.
   3. He is credited with consolidating the Chola power.
   4. His naval power enabled him to conquer Srivijaya.
      a. 1 and 2
      b. 3 and 4
      c. 1,2 and 4
      d. All the above

3. Assertion:- The Yuvarajas were appointed Governors in the provinces.
   Reason:- This was done for their training in administration.
      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.

4. Arrange the following administration divisions in descending order.
5. **Arrange the events in chronological order.**

1. Maravarman appointed Virapandyan as co-regent.
2. Civil war broke out.
3. A Muslim State was established in Madurai.
4. MaravarmanKulasekaran had two sons – Virapandyan and Sundrapandyan.
5. SundraPandyan sought help from Ala-ud-din Khalji.

6. **Find out**

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**VI Answer in one or two sentences**

1. What were the items exported during the later Chola period?
2. What was called Chatur-vedi-mangalam?
3. Write about Kanikadan.

**VII. Answer the following**

1. Highlight any five aspects of Cholas’ legacy.

**VIII HOTs**

1. Chola kings were great patrons of learning:
   Support the statement with details.

**IX Students activity**

**Who am I?**

1. I was responsible for Malik Kafur invasion.
2. I built 16-mile embankment-lake in Gangaikonda Cholapuram.
3. I am a water supply channel.
4. I codified Thirumurai.
5. I was a great port. Marco Polo visited me twice.

**Who is he?**

**Why is this person so important?**

**What are his observations about Pandya Kingdoms?**

**Why do you think his observations are so important?**

**Marco Polo**
X Answer Grid

1. Name the two literary works of Chola period.
   Ans:

2. Which port is associated with pearl fishery?
   Ans:

3. What do *kasu*, *kalanchu* and *pon* refer to?
   Ans:

4. In which district is Kayal-Pattinam located?
   Ans:

5. Who was the Pandya king, defeated by Parantaka I?
   Ans:

6. Where is the famous Meenakshi temple located?
   Ans:

XI Field trip.

Visit any one temple built during Chola or Pandya period and see its magnificence.

References


Learning Objectives

To acquaint ourselves with
- Turkish Sultans of various dynasties who ruled India from Delhi
- Their military conquests and extension of sovereignty
- Administration of the Delhi Sultanate
- Art and architecture of this period

Introduction

During the eleventh century, the Turkish horsemen pillaged northern India and due to their persistent campaigns, they succeeded in seizing political control of the Gangetic plain by the next century. Though the success of their conquests could be attributed to their audacity and ferocity, their success is really due to the failure of Indians to defend themselves and their territories. Indians viewed each other with distrust, failing to take note of the success of Islam in early years of its spread. The superior military might of Muslim soldiers was yet another factor that contributed to success in their conquests. In this lesson, we discuss how Turkish warriors set about founding and consolidating their Islamic rule till the advent of Babur.

Slave Dynasty (1206 - 1290)

Muslim rule in India was established by Muhammad Ghori in 12th century A.D. (CE). As he had no sons, he nurtured special slaves called bandagan (a Persian term used for slaves purchased for military service). These slaves were posted as governors and they were later raised to the status of Sultans. After Ghori’s death in 1206, one of his slaves Qutb-ud-din-Aibak who had been left behind by Muhammad Ghori to govern the territories he had conquered, proclaimed himself ruler of the Turkish territories in India. He laid the foundation of the Slave Dynasty. This dynasty is also known as Mamluk dynasty. Mamluk is an Arabic word meaning “slave”. Qutb-ud-din-Aibak, Shams-ud-din-Iltutmish and Ghiyas-ud-din-Balban were the three great Sultans of this dynasty. The
Slave Dynasty ruled over the sub-continent for about 84 years.

**Qutb-ud-din-Aibak (1206 - 1210)**

Qutb-ud-din-Aibak began his rule by establishing Lahore as the capital of his kingdom. Later he shifted his capital to Delhi. He was active all through his rule in Delhi conquering new territories and suppressing rebellions. He personally led military campaigns to the central and western Indo-Gangetic plain (north India) and left the conquest of the eastern Gangetic Plain (Bihar, Bengal) to the care of Bakhtiar Khalji. Aibak built the Quwwat-ul-Islam Masjid (mosque) in Delhi. This mosque is considered to be the oldest in India. He also laid the foundation of the Qutb-Minar, but he was unable to complete it. It was later finished by his son-in-law and his successor Iltutmish. Aibak died of injuries received during an accidental fall from a horse, while playing polo in 1210.

**Iltutmish (1210 - 1236)**

Aibak’s son Aram Shah proved incompetent and so the Turkish nobles chose Iltutmish, the son-in-law of Aibak as the Sultan, who served as a military commander of Aibak. Iltutmish firmly established his control over the territories by suppressing rebellions. It was during his reign that the threat of Mongols under Chengiz Khan loomed large over the frontiers of India. He averted the impending danger by refusing to provide shelter to the Kwarezm Shah Jalal-ud-din, who had been driven out by Chengiz Khan. In order to counter the possible attack of the Mongols, Iltutmish organised Turkish nobility into a select group of 40 nobles known as chahalgani or The Forty.

Iltutmish granted *iqtas* (land) to members of his army. *Iqta* is the land granted to army officials in lieu of a regular wage. The iqta holder is called the iqtadar or muqti who had to provide the Sultan with military assistance in times of war. The iqtadar collected revenue from his iqta to meet the cost of maintaining his troops and horses.
Iltutmish completed the construction of the Qutb-Minar, which had been started by Aibak. Iltutmish died in April 1236 after ruling for 26 years.

**Razia (1236 - 1240)**

As the most capable son of Iltutmish, Rukn-ud-din-Firuz, was dead, Iltutmish nominated his daughter Razia Sultana as his successor to the throne of Delhi. Razia was an able and brave fighter. But she had a tough time with Turkish nobles as she favoured non-Turkish nobles. She also faced the situation of the ferocious Mongols raiding Punjab during her reign.

Razia made an Ethiopian slave named Jalal-ud-din Yakut as her personal attendant and started trusting him completely. This led to a revolt of the Turkish nobles who conspired against her and got her murdered in 1240.

**Ghiyas-ud-din Balban (1266 - 1287)**

After Razia, three weak rulers in succession ascended the throne. After them came Ghiyas-ud-din Balban. Balban abolished The Forty as it was hostile to him. He established a department of spies to gather intelligence about the conspirators and the trouble makers against his rule. He dealt with insubordination and defiance of royal authority sternly. Tughril Khan, a provincial governor in Bengal, who raised a banner of revolt against Balban, was captured and beheaded. He was ruthless in dealing with enemies like Meos of Mewat (a Muslim Rajput community from north-western India). Balban, however, took care to maintain cordial relationship with the Mongols. He obtained from Hulagu Khan, a grandson of Chengiz Khan and the Mongol viceroy in Iran, the assurance that Mongols would not advance beyond Sutlej.

Balban built forts to guard his empire against the Mongol attacks. He patronised the famous Persian poet Amir Khusru. Balban died in 1287. Balban’s son Kaiqubad turned out to be weak. In 1290 Malik Jalal-ud-din Khalji, the commander of the army, assumed the office of Naib (a deputy to the Sultan) and ruled the kingdom in the name of Kaiqubad. Then one day, Jalal-ud-din sent one of his officers and had Kaiqubad murdered. Jalal-ud-din then formally ascended the throne. With him began the rule of Khalji dynasty.

**Khalji Dynasty (1290 - 1320)**

**Jalal-ud-din Khalji (1296 - 1316)**

There were many military campaigns during the reign of Jalal-ud-din. But they were mostly organised and led by his nephew, Ala-ud-din, the governor of Kara. One significant military expedition was against the Deccan kingdom Devagiri. Ala-ud-din, after defeating the Yadava king Ramachandra, plundered the city and returned with huge wealth. Ala-ud-din treacherously killed Jalal-ud-din after buying off the prominent nobles and important commanders with the wealth he had brought
from the Deccan and declared himself as the Sultan of Delhi in 1296.

**Ala-ud-din Khalji (1296 - 1316)**

Ala-ud-din Khalji consolidated the Delhi Sultanate. The range of his conquests is impressive: in the Punjab (against the Mongols), in Rajasthan and in Gujarat. With his northern frontiers secure, he sent his chief lieutenant Malik Kafur into the southern parts who took even the distant Madurai in 1310. The Yadavas of Devagiri, the Kakatias of Warangal, the Hoysalas of Dwarasamudra and the Pandyas of Madurai accepted Ala-ud-din’s suzerainty.

**Sack of Chittor (1303):** When Ala-ud-din’s army overwhelmed the Rajput army in Chittor and in the context of threat of defeat, the men and women of the fortress, in accordance with their old custom, performed the rite of jauhar. According to this custom, left with no other way to survive, the men would go out and die in the field of battle and women would burn themselves on a pyre.

**Tughluq Dynasty (1320 - 1324)**

One of the major tasks of Ghiyas-ud-din as the Sultan was to recover the territories that the Sultanate had lost during the turmoil following the death of Ala-ud-din. Ghiyas-ud-din Tughluq sent his son Jauna Khan to fight against Warangal. Jauna Khan defeated Pratabarudra of Warangal and returned with a rich booty. With this looted wealth, Ghiyas-ud-din is said to have laid the foundation of the city Tughluqabad near Delhi. However, as Ala-ud-din treacherously killed his uncle, Jauna Khan was said to have killed his father and ascended the throne with title Muhammad-bin-Tughluq in 1325.

**Muhammad-bin-Tughluq (1325 - 1351)**

Muhammad-bin-Tughluq was a learned man. Yet he was a person of cruelty. Ala-ud-din had conquered, looted and left the old ruling families as his dependents. In contrast, Muhammad Tughluq dreamt of making the whole of the subcontinent his domain. With...
the view to facilitating extended sovereignty, he shifted his capital from Delhi to the centre of the kingdom, namely Devagiri. He also changed its name to Daulatabad. When Muhammad himself decided that the move was a mistake, he ordered a return to Delhi as the capital again. When Ibn Battuta, the Morocco traveller who was with the Sultan, returned to Delhi, he found Delhi ‘empty, abandoned and had but a small population’.

It was a 40-days march to Daulatabad from Delhi. Many people left. Some hid themselves. When they were found, they were punished cruelly, even though one was a blind man and another a paralytic. Describing the city as spreading over eight or ten miles, a historian observed: ‘All was destroyed. So complete was the ruin that not a cat or a dog was left among the buildings of the city in its palaces or in its suburbs.’

Tughluq changed the Ala-ud-din’s system of revenue collections in grain and ordered that land revenue, which was increased, should henceforward be collected in money. This proved disastrous during famines. When he discovered that the stock of coins and silver was inadequate for minting, he issued a token currency in copper. Counterfeiting soon became order of the day and, as a result, the entire revenue system collapsed. Trade suffered as foreign merchants stopped business. This forced Sultan to withdraw the token currency and pay gold and silver coins in exchange. This move led the state to become bankrupt. Tughluq increased land tax in the Doab region, which triggered peasant revolts. As the revolts were cruelly dealt with, peasants abandoned cultivation, which resulted in the outbreak of frequent famines.

Tughluq ruled as Sultan for 25 years. During his long reign, he had to face many revolts of the provincial governors. The Governors of Awadh, Multan and Sind revolted and declared themselves independent. In South India, several states arose. The new Daulatabad and the conquered territories around them were declared independent sultanate called Bahmani. Its founder after whom it was named, was a soldier formerly in Tughluq service. Madurai was proclaimed a separate sultanate in 1334. Bengal became independent in 1346. Tughluq died on 23 March 1351.

Firoz Shah Tughluq (1351 - 1388)
Firoz, the son of Ghiyas-ud-din’s younger brother, succeeded Muhammad-bin-Tughluq. Firoz could neither suppress revolts nor win back the provinces that had broken away. He also showed no interest in re-conquering the southern provinces. He refused to accept an invitation (c. 1365) from a Bahmani prince to intervene in the affairs of the Deccan. Firoz rewarded Sufis and other religious leaders generously and listened to their advice. He also created charities to aid poor Muslims, built colleges, mosques, and hospitals. He adopted many humanitarian measures. He banned inhuman punishments and abolished taxes not recognised by Muslim law.

He promoted agriculture by waiving off the debts of the agriculturalists and constructing many canals for irrigation. He laid out 1200 new gardens and restored 30 old gardens of Ala-ud-din-Khalji. He had built new towns such as Firozabad, Jaunpur, Hissar and Firozpur.

Despite adopting a peaceful approach and taking efforts to organise the Sultanate well, he had to spend his last days in unhappiness. His own son Muhammad Khan revolted against him and Firoz Shah died in September 1388, at the age of 83.
Timur’s Invasion (1398)

The sacking and massacre by Tamerlane or Timur of Delhi came a decade after Firuz Shah Tughluq died. As a ruler of the region around Samarkand in Central Asia, Timur had occupied some parts in the north-west of India. Taking advantage of India’s weakness, he entered India in December 1398 and plundered Delhi. Punjab, besides the Delhi city, was the province that suffered most by Timur’s raid. Timur, apart from carrying huge wealth in the form of gold, silver, jewels, also took along Indian artisans like carpenters and masons to work on monuments in Samarkand.

Sayyid Dynasty (1414 - 1451)

Though the Sultanate fragmented into a number of independent kingdoms, it endured for 114 years more, till the Mughal invasion. Before leaving Delhi, Timur had left behind his representative Khizr Khan as the governor of the territories he had conquered (Delhi, Meerut and Punjab). He founded the Sayyid Dynasty in 1414, which lasted till 1451. The last ruler of this dynasty, Ala-ud-din Alam Shah, abdicated the throne in 1451. This gave Bahlol Lodi, then the governor of Sirhind (Punjab), the opportunity to become the new Sultan of Delhi, leading to the establishment of Lodi dynasty.

Lodi Dynasty (1451 - 1526)

In 1489, Bahlol Lodi was succeeded by his son Sikandar Lodi. Sikandar was a patron of arts and learning. He founded the city of Agra and made it his capital. He died in 1517 and was succeeded by his son, Ibrahim Lodi, who was defeated by Babur in 1526 in the Panipat battle. Thus the Lodi dynasty and the Delhi Sultanate were ended by Babur who went on to establish the Mughal Empire in India.

Islamic art and architecture: The mansions of high-ranking Muslim nobles, soldiers and officials were built first in cities and the neighbourhoods. Around them, the mosques in the imperial style were constructed by successive Muslim regimes in Delhi. Mosques and Madrasas looked architecturally different. The graceful decorations of doorways and walls with lines from the Koran made a distinct appearance in these buildings. The shape of all these buildings was Persian, while the decoration was Indian. So, it is called Indo-Saracenic architecture. Qutb Minar, Alai-Darwaza, Quwwat-ul Islam Masjid, Moth-ki-Masjid, the tombs of Iltutmish, Balban and the forts of Daulatabad and Firozsabad were all constructed in this style.
Summary

- Establishment of Muslim rule in India by Muhammad Ghori
- Slave dynasty founded by Qutb – ud- din- Aibak and consolidated by his Son-in-law Iltutmish
- Razia, the daughter of Iltutmish, a brave fighter and a great administrator
- Balban’s espionage system and the abolition of The Forty, to reduce the power of Turkish nobles
- Ala – ud- din- Khalji as the founder of Khalji dynasty - his military conquests and administrative reforms
- Firoz Shah Tughluq as a compassionate ruler with his concentration on the well-being of the people
- The sacking of Delhi by Timur
- Khizr Khan founding the Sayyid dynasty and Bahlol Lodi the governor of Sirhind establishing the Lodi dynasty
- The first battle of Panipat paving the way for the foundation of Mughal Empire by Babur in A.D. (CE)1526

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I Choose the correct answer

1. ____________ laid the foundation of ‘Mamluk’ dynasty.
   a) Mohammad Ghori
   b) Jalal-ud-din
   c) Qutb-ud-din Aibak
   d) Iltutmish

2. Qutb-ud-din shifted his capital to Delhi from ____________.
   a) Lahore
   b) Poona
   c) Daulatabad
   d) Agra

3. ____________ completed the construction of the Qutb-Minar.
   a) Razia
   b) Qutb-ud-din Aibak
   c) Iltutmish
   d) Balban

4. ____________ laid the foundation of the city Tughluqabad near Delhi.
   a) Muhammad-bin Tughluq
   b) Firoz Shah Tughluq
   c) Jalal-ud-din
   d) Ghiyas-ud-din

II Fill in the Blanks

1. ____________ was the founder of Tughluq dynasty.

2. Muhammad-bin-Tughluq shifted his capital from Delhi to ____________.

3. ____________ patronized the famous Persian poet Amir Khusru.

4. Quwwat-ul-Islam Masjid in Delhi was built by ____________.

5. The threat of Mongols under Chengizkhan to India was during the reign of ____________.

III Match the following

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IV State true or false

1. Qutb-ud-din Aibak died of mysterious fever.
2. Razia was an able and brave fighter.
3. The Turkish nobles chose Iltutmish, son of Aibak, as Sultan after the death of Aibak.
4. Firoz Shah Tughluq refused to accept an invitation from a Bahmani Prince to intervene in the affairs of the Deccan.

V Match the statement with the reason. Tick the appropriate answer

Assertion:-(A) Balban maintained cordial relationship with Mongols

Reason:-(R) The Mongol ruler, a grandson of Chengiz Khan, assured that Mongols would not advance beyond Sutlej.

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

b) Find out the correct pair

1. Hoysala ____________ Devagiri
2. Yadavas ____________ Dwarasamudra
3. Kakatias ____________ Warrangal
4. Pallavas ____________ Madurai
c) Find out the wrong statement /statements

1. After Ghorì's death in 1206, his slave Qutb-ud-din Aibak proclaimed himself the ruler of the Turkish territories in India.
2. Razia established the department of spies to gather intelligence about the conspirators and the trouble makers against her rule.
3. Balban built forts to guard his empire against the Mongol attack.
4. Ibrahim Lodi was defeated by Babur in 1526.

VI Answer the following in one or two sentences

1. Name the land granted to army officials in lieu of a regular wage.
2. Who founded the city of Agra?
3. Name the ruler who established Muslim rule in India in 12th century A.D (CE).
4. Write a note on chahalgani.
5. How did Ala-ud-din Khalji consolidate the Delhi Sultanate?
6. List out the contributions of Firoz Shah Tughluq.

VII Answer the following

1. Write about the invasion of Timur in 1398.

VIII HOTs

1. How would you evaluate Muhammad-bin-Tughluq as Sultan of Delhi?

IX. Map Work

On the river map of India draw the extent of Tughluq Dynasty and mark the following places.


X Student Activity

1. Match the Father with Son

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2. Prepare an album of pictures of Islamic art and architecture of the Delhi Sultanate.

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The Delhi Sultanate (A.D. (C.E)1206–1526)

Through this activity you will know about the Timeline of medieval period in Delhi

PROCEDURE:

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Step 3: Click any period and you can explore the historical events with pictorial descriptions (ex. Delhi Sultanate)

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GEOGRAPHY
Introduction

The earth, our homeland, is a dynamic planet. The earth's surface has lofty mountains, high plateaus, large plains and deep valleys etc. The earth’s surface is constantly undergoing changes inside and outside. Have you ever wondered what lies in the interior of the earth? What is the earth made up of?

Interior of the Earth

The structure of the earth may be compared to that of an apple. The earth too has shells like that of an apple. If we cut a section through the earth, we will get a view as shown in figure. On the basis of the study of earthquake waves the spherical earth is found to be three concentric layers. They are:

1. The crust,
2. The mantle and
3. The core.

1. The Crust

The crust is the outermost layer of the earth. Its average thickness varies from 5 to 30 km. It is about 35 km on the continental masses and only 5 km on the ocean floors. Despite greater thickness, the continental crust is less dense than the oceanic crust because it is made of both light and dense rock types. The oceanic crust is composed mostly of dense rocks such as basalt.

Earth is called as blue Planet. 71% of the earth is covered by water.

The crust comprises two of distinct parts. The upper part consists of granite rocks and forms the continents. It has the main mineral constituents are silica and alumina. So it is collectively referred to as Sial. It has an average density of 2.7g/cm³.
The lower part is a continuous zone of denser basaltic rocks forming the ocean floors, comprising mainly of silica and magnesium. It is therefore called Sima. It has an average density of 3.0 g/cm$^3$. The sial and the sima together form the earth’s crust. Since the sial is lighter than the sima, the continents can be said to be ‘floating’ on a sea of denser sima.

2. The Mantle

The next layer beneath the crust is called the mantle. It is separated from the crust by a boundary called Mohorovicic discontinuity. The mantle is about 2,900 km thick. It is divided into two parts. (i) The upper mantle with a density of 3.4 – 4.4 g/cm$^3$ extends down to 700 km. (ii) The lower mantle having a density of 4.4 – 5.5 g/cm$^3$ extends from 700 to 2,900 km.

3. The Core

The innermost layer of the earth is called the core. It is also known as barysphere. It is separated from the mantle by a boundary called Weichart-Gutenberg discontinuity. The core is also divided into two parts. (i) The outer core, which is rich in iron, is in liquid state. It extends between 2,900 – 5,150 km. (ii) The inner core, composed of Nickel and Ferrous (Nife), is solid in state. The central core has very high temperature and pressure. It extends from 5,150 km to 6,370 km. The average density of core is 13.0 g/cm$^3$.

![Diagram of Earth Layers]

- The crust forms only 1 per cent of the volume of the earth, 84 % consists of the mantle and 15 % makes the core.
- The radius of the earth is 6371 km.

The Earth Movements

The lithosphere is broken into a number of plates known as the Lithospheric plates. Each plate, oceanic or continental moves independently over the asthenosphere. The movement of the Earth’s lithospheric plates is termed as tectonic movements. The energy required to move these plates is produced by the internal heat of the earth. These plates are moves in different directions at different rates.

![Diagram of Lithospheric Plates]

Lithospheric Plates

At places, these plates move away from each other creating wide rifts on the earth’s surface. At some places, these plates come closer and collide. When an oceanic plate collides with a continental plate, the denser oceanic plate is forced below the continental plate. As a result of the pressure from above...
the rocks heats up and melt. The molten rocks rise again forming volcanic mountains along the continental edge. Alternatively, a trench may be formed between two plates. In some cases when two continental plates converge, neither plate can be forced under the other. Instead, folds may be created. Great mountain ranges like the Himalayas have been formed in this way.

**Asthenosphere** - The asthenosphere is the part of the mantle that flows and moves the plates of the earth.

The movement of these plates causes changes on the surface of the earth. The earth movements are divided on the basis of the forces which cause them. The forces which act in the interior of the earth are called as **Endogenic forces** and the forces that work on the surface of the earth are called as **Exogenic forces**.

Endogenic forces sometimes produce sudden movements and at the other times produce slow movements. Sudden movements like earthquakes and volcanoes cause mass destruction over the surface of the earth.

**Earthquake**

A sudden movement of a portion of the earth's crust which produces a shaking or trembling is known as an **earthquake**. Earthquakes may cause widespread damage to life and property. The point where these vibrations originate is called the **focus** of the earthquake. The point of the earth's surface directly above the focus is called the **epicentre** of the earthquake. From the focus, the earthquake vibrations travel in different directions in the form of **seismic waves**.

The earthquake waves are recorded by an instrument known as **seismograph**. The magnitude of an earthquake is measured by the **Richter scale**. The numbers on this scale range from 0 to 9.

- An earthquake of 2.0 on Richter scale or less can be felt only a little. An earthquake over 5.0 on Richter scale can cause damage from things falling. A 6.0 on Richter scale or higher magnitude is considered very strong and 7.0 on Richter scale is classified as a major earthquake.

**Causes of Earthquake**

The chief cause of earthquake is the sudden slipping of the portion of the earth's crust along fractures or faults. The movement of the molten rocks underneath the surface produce strains which break the rocks apart. The sudden shifting of landmass causes upheavals in the crust of the earth sending vibrations or waves into the surrounding portions of the earth. Sometimes the surface of the earth itself cracks.

Another cause of earthquake is volcanic activity. A violent or explosive eruption often causes the earth in its vicinity to quake. Earthquakes are often common in most volcanic areas.
Effects of Earthquakes

Earthquakes may cause changes in the earth’s surface. Vibrations often set landslides in mountainous regions. A greater danger in an earthquake is the falling of buildings. Most of the houses which collapsed were made of mud and bricks and proved to be death traps. Fire is another great danger. Underground water system is naturally disturbed by such movements.

There are three types of earthquake waves:
1. P waves or longitudinal waves
2. S waves or transverse waves
3. L waves or surface waves

An earthquake which originates below or near the sea causes great disturbance in the water. The floods and waves cause great loss of life, sometimes more than the earthquake itself. Tsunami, a Japanese term, is the name given to the huge wave caused in the sea by an earthquake. Tsunamis are quite common along the coasts of Japan and other regions in the Pacific Ocean.

Distribution of Earthquakes

The world’s distribution of earthquakes coincide very closely with that of volcanoes. Regions of greatest seismicity are circum-Pacific areas, with the epicenters and the most frequent occurrences along the Pacific Ring of Fire. It is said that about 68 percent of earthquakes occur in this belt. Another 31% of earthquakes take place in the Mediterranean-Himalayan belt including Asia Minor, the Himalayas and parts of north-west China. The remaining percent of earthquakes are occur in Northen Africa and Rift valley areas of the Red sea and Dead sea.

In India, the Himalayan region and the Ganga-Brahmaputra valley are prone to earthquakes. A number of earthquakes have been experienced in this region. Some of them were

On 26th Dec 2004 Tsunami in the Indian Ocean swept coastal area of Indonesia, India, Srilanka, Thailand etc., They caused immense damage to life and property in the coastal area.
very severe and caused extensive damage, e.g., the earthquake of Uttar Kashi in 1991 and Chamoli in 1999. The Deccan Plateau, which was supposed to be comparatively free from the dangers of the earthquakes, has experienced two severe earthquakes in the past, the Koyna earthquake in 1967 and the Latur earthquake in 1993.

**Volcanoes**

A volcano is a vent or an opening in the earth's crust through which hot magma erupts from deep below the surface. The opening is usually circular in form. Volcanic eruptions may also take place through a long crack or fissure through which steam and other materials flow out.

The molten rock material within the earth, together with gases, is called magma. After it rises to the surface, it is called lava. In course of time, lava and other materials flow out of a volcano accumulate around the opening and form a conical hill or a mountain vent is an opening or mouth of a volcano. The top of this cone is usually marked by a funnel-shaped depression, which is called a crater. If the crater of a volcano is of great size and is shaped like a basin, it is called a *caldera*. Calderas are caused by violent explosions which blow away entire tops of great cones.

**Causes of Volcanic Activity**

The temperature increases as the depth increases at the rate of 1°C for every 35 metres. There is also great pressure. At a depth of about 15 km the pressure is about 5 tonnes per cm² of rock. Under these circumstances, the interior of the earth is in a semi-molten state called magma. The magma, under great pressure has the capacity to dissolve great volume of gas; some gases are also combustible. This makes volcanic material burst forth through the weak spots in the earth's crust.

**Fact:** The scientific study of volcanoes are called *volcanology*. People who study volcanoes are called *volcanologists*.

**Nature of volcanic eruptions**

Sometimes, magma rises slowly to the surface and spreads over a vast area. This is known as fissure eruption. Some plateaus and plains have been formed in this way, e.g., Deccan Plateau in India and the Colombian Plateau in North America. If the magma rises quickly to the surface, lava is thrown high into the atmosphere. Besides lava, ash, steam, gases and pieces of rocks are also thrown out. This type of eruption is known as explosive eruption. The terrible explosion on the island of Krakatoa (27th August 1883) in Indonesia is an example for explosive type of eruption.

Lava flow is affected by viscosity. For example, honey has high viscosity, so it flows slowly, whereas water has low viscosity, so it
flows easily. The viscosity of lava is determined by the amount of silica and water in magma. Highly viscosity lava is rich in silica and has little water. Low viscosity lava has little silica, but a lot of water. It moves rapidly forming smooth flows.

Barren island is situated in the Andaman Sea, and lies about 138 km northeast of the territory’s capital. It is only in active volcano along the chain from sumatra to myanmar. Last eruption occurred in 2017.

### Types of Volcanoes

The shape of a volcano depends on the type of lava and the force of the eruption. On the basis of shape, there are three types of volcanoes. They are:

1. **Shield volcano**: A shield volcano is formed by quiet eruption of lava with a low silica content. Such a volcano has a wide base and a cone with gentle slopes. Volcanoes of the Hawaii islands are of this type.

2. **Cinder-cone volcano**: Silica-rich magma traps gases inside the volcano until enough pressure is built to push the magma out of the earth’s crust. When this type of volcano erupts, it shoots gases, ash, etc. with great force throwing them several kilometres up into the atmosphere. Such volcanoes have steep slopes and are made of cinder and ash. They are known as **cinder-cone volcanoes**. Many volcanoes of Mexico and Central America belong to this group.

3. **Composite volcano**: Composite volcanoes are made of alternate layers of lava, cinder and ash. They are also called strato volcano. St. Helens is an example of composite volcano.

Volcanoes are also grouped according to their periodicity of eruptions such as **active**, **dormant** and **extinct**. These names refer to the state of activity rather than the types of volcanoes.

**Active** Volcanoes that erupt frequently are called active volcanoes. Most of the active volcanoes lie in the Pacific Ring of Fire belt which lies along the Pacific coast. There are about 600 active volcanoes in the world, such as Mt. Stromboli in Mediterranean Sea, St.Helens in USA, Pinatubo in Philippines. Mauna Loa in Hawaii (3,255m.) is the world’s biggest active volcano.
Stramboli is known as the ‘light house of Mediterranean sea’

Dormant Volcanoes have shown no sign of activity for many years but they may become active at any time. It is also called Sleeping Volcano Vesuvius mountain of Italy, Mt Fujiyama in Japan, Mt Krakatoa of Indonesia are famous examples of this types.

Extinct The top of extinct volcanic mountains have been eroded. Mt Popa of Myanmar and Mt. Kilimanjaro and Mt. Kenya of Africa are examples of extinct volcanoes.

Distribution of Volcanoes in the world

Volcanoes are located in a clearly-defined pattern around the world. They are closely related to regions that have been intensely folded or faulted. There are about 500 active volcanoes and thousands of dormant and extinct ones. They occur along the coastal mountain ranges, as off-shore islands and in the midst of oceans, but there are a few in the interior of continents. The volcanic belts are also the principal earthquake belts of the world. There are three major zones of volcanic activities in the world. They are:

1. The Circum – Pacific belt
2. The Mid continental belt
3. The Mid Atlantic belt

1. Circum Belt

This is the volcanic zone of the convergent oceanic plate boundary. It includes the volcanoes of the eastern and western coastal areas of Pacific Ocean. This zone is popularly termed as the Pacific Ring of Fire which has been estimated to include two-thirds of the world’s volcanoes.

2. Mid continental belt

This is the volcanic zone of convergent continental plate boundaries that includes...
the volcanoes of Alpine mountain chains, the Mediterranean Sea and the fault zone of eastern Africa. The important volcanoes are Vesuvius, Stromboli, Etna, Kilimanjaro and Kenya. Surprisingly, the Himalayas have no active volcanoes at all.

3. Mid Atlantic Belt

This belt represents the divergent boundary of plates located along the mid-Atlantic ridges. Volcanoes of this area are mainly of fissure eruption type. Iceland is the most active volcanic area and is located on the mid-Atlantic ridge. St. Helena and Azores Island are other examples.

WRAP UP

- The Earth’s interior structure is compared with that of an apple
- The crust is the outer-most layer of the earth.
- The upper part of the earth crust is SIAL.
- The lower part of the earth crust is SIMA.
- The mantle is about 2900km thick.
- The lithosphere is broken into a number of plates known as the lithospheric plates.
- The earthquake waves are recorded by an instrument known as seismograph.
- Tsunami is caused by an underwater earthquake.
- A volcano is a vent or opening in the earth crust.
- The Shape of a volcano depends on the type of lava and force of the eruption.
- There are three major zone of volcanic activity in the world.

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Evaluation

I. Choose the correct answer

1. Nife is made up of ___________.
   a. Nickel and ferrous
   b. Silica and aluminum
   c. Silica and magnesium
   d. Iron and magnesium

2. Earthquake and volcanic eruption occur near the edges of ____________.
   a. Mountain
   b. Plains
   c. Plates
   d. Plateaus

3. The magnitude of an earthquake is measured by ____________.
   a. Seismograph
   b. Richter scale
   c. Ammeter
   d. Rotameter

4. The narrow pipe through which magma flows out is called a _____________.
   a. Vent
   b. Crater
   c. Focus
   d. Caldera

5. Lava cones are ___________.
   a. mountains of accumulation
   b. mountains of deformation
   c. relict mountains
   d. fold mountains

6. The top of the cone of a volcanic mountain has a depression known as the _____________.
   a. crater
   b. lopith
   c. caldera
   d. sill

7. ___________ belt is known as the “Ring of Fire”.
   a. Pacific
   b. Atlantic
   c. Arctic
   d. Antarctic

II. Fill in the blanks

1) The core is separated from the mantle by a boundary called ____________.
2) The earthquake waves are recorded by an instrument known as ____________.
3) Magma rises to the surface and spreads over a vast area is known as ____________.
4) An example for active volcano _____________.
5) Seismology is the study of ____________.

III. Circle the odd one

1) crust, magma, core, mantle
2) focus, epicenter, vent, seismic waves
3) Uttar Kashi, Chamoli, Koyna, Krakatoa
4) lava, caldera, silica, crater
5) Stromboli, Helens, Hawaii, Fujiyama

IV. Match the following

1) Earthquake - Japanese term
2) Sima - Africa
3) Pacific Ring of Fire - Sudden movement
4) Tsunami - Silica and magnesium
5) Mt. Kenya - World volcanoes
V. Consider the following statement and (✓) Tick the appropriate answer

1. Assertion (A): There structure of the earth may be compared to that of an Apple.
   Reason (R): The interior of the earth consists of crust, mantle and core.
   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): The Pacific Ocean includes two thirds of the world's volcanoes.
   Reason (R): The boundary along the Eastern and Western coast areas of the Pacific Ocean is known as the Pacific Ring of Fire.
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   b. A and R are correct but A does not explain R
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   d. Both A and R are incorrect

VI. Answer in a word
1) Name the outer most layer of the earth.
2) What is SIAL?
3) Name the movement of the Earth's lithospheric plates?
4) Give an example of extinct volcano

VII. Answer the following briefly
1) What is mantle?
2) Write note on the core of the earth?
3) Define Earthquake?
4) What is a Seismograph?
5) What is a volcano?
6) Name the three types of volcanoes based on shape.

VIII. Give reason
1) No one has been able to take samples from the interior of the earth
2) The Continent crust is less dense than the oceanic crust

IX. Distinguish between
1) SIAL and SIMA
2) Shield volcano and composite volcano
3) Active volcano and dormant volcano

X. Answer the following questions in detail
1) Write about the effects of an earthquake?
2) Describe the classification of volcanoes based on the eruptions.
3) Name the major zones of volcanic activity and explain any one.

XI. HOTs
1) The earth's interior is very hot. Why?
2) Are Volcanoes Destructive (or) Constructive?
3) How does volcano make an Island?

XII. Activity
1) On an outline map of the world, mark the Pacific Ring of Fire
2) Label the parts of volcano.
3) Prepare an album on earthquake and volcanoes.
PUZZLE

Across
1. Point of origin of Earthquake
4. Molten rock under the surface
5. Waves triggered by deep ocean earthquake
6. Inner layer of the Earth

Down
2. Extinct volcano in Europe
3. Top layer of the Earth
4. Middle layer of Earth

WORLD MAP
LABEL THE PARTS OF VOLCANO

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ICT CORNER

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PROCEDURE

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Interior of the Earth URL:

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Learning Objectives

To acquaint ourselves with
- To know the landforms which are created by river
- To describe the landforms which are created by glacial action
- To classify the landforms which are produced by wind action
- To identify the various landforms about sea wave
- To compile the landforms which are produced by the work of a river, glacier, wind and sea waves

In the earlier class, we have learnt that the surface of the earth is not the same everywhere. The earth has an infinite variety of landforms named mountains, plateaus, plains, valley etc., Some parts of the lithosphere may be rugged and some flat. These landforms are a result of two processes – the endogenic process and the exogenic process. The endogenic process (internal process) leads to the upliftment and sinking of the earth’s surface at several places. The exogenic process (external process) is the continuous wearing down and rebuilding of the land surface.

Gradation is the process of levelling of highlands through erosion and filling up of lowlands through deposition.

Landforms

The landscape is being continuously worn away by two processes – weathering and erosion. Weathering is the breaking and falling apart into small pieces of the rocks on the earth’s surface. Erosion is the wearing away of the landscape by different agents like water, wind, ice and sea waves. The eroded material is carried away by water, wind, etc. and eventually deposited. This process of erosion and deposition create different landforms on the surface of the earth.

River

The water flowing from its source to river mouth, along a definite course is called a River. Rivers generally originate from a mountain or hill.
The place of origin of the river is known as its **Source**. The place where it joins a lake or sea or an ocean is known as the **River mouth**.

The running water in the river erodes the landscape, which creates a steep-sided valley like the letter ‘V’ known as **‘V’ shaped valley**.

Falling of river water over a vertical step in the river bed is called **waterfall**. It is formed when the soft rock are removed by erosion. E.g. Couttrallam falls across the river chittar in TamilNadu.

The highest waterfall is **Angel Falls** of Venezuela in South America. The other waterfalls are **Niagara Falls** located on the border between Canada and USA in North America and **Victoria Falls** on the borders of Zambia and Zimbabwe in Africa.

**Plunge pool** is a hollow feature at the base of a waterfall which is formed by cavitation. **Alluvial fan** is a deposition of sediment occurs at which the river enters a plain or the foot-hills.

**Meanders**

As the river enters the plain it twists and turns forming large bends known as **Meanders**. Eg. Meanders along the River Vellar near Sethiyathope in Cuddalore District, Tamil Nadu.
Due to continuous erosion and deposition along the sides of the meander, the ends of the meander loop comes closer and closer. In due course of time the meander loop cuts off from the river and forms a cut-off lake, also called an Ox-bow lake.

**Ox-bow lake formation**

The term ‘Meander’ has been named on the basis of Meander River of Asia Minor (Turkey), it flows through numerous curves and turns.

At times the river overflows its banks. This leads to the flooding of the neighbouring areas. As the river floods, it deposits layers of fine soil and other material called sediments along its banks. This leads to the formation of a flat fertile floodplain. The raised banks are called levees.

As the river approaches the sea, the speed of the flowing water decreases and the river begins to break up into a number of streams called distributaries. The velocity of the river becomes so slow that it begins to deposit its load. Each distributary forms its own mouth. The collection of sediments from all the mouths form Delta. Deltas are excellent productive lands. They have more minerals which favour cultivation. E.g. Cauvery delta, Ganges delta, Mississippi delta.

**Activity:**

Find out the names of a few rivers of the world that form a delta with the help of the Atlas.

**Glacier**

A large body of ice moving slowly down a slope or valley due to gravity is called a glacier. Glaciers are grouped into Mountain or Valley Glaciers and Continental Glaciers.

**Continental Glacier:** The glacier covering vast areas of a continent with thick ice sheets. E.g. Antarctica, Greenland

**Mountain or Valley Glacier** is a stream of ice, flowing along a valley. It usually follows former river courses and are bounded by steep sides. E.g. The Himalayas and the Alps.

Glaciers erode the landscape by levelling soil and stones to expose the solid rock below. Cirque is a glacially eroded rock basin, with a steep side wall and steep head wall, surrounding an armchair-shaped depression. E.g. Corrie – Scotland (United Kingdom), Kar – Germany.
Cirque

As the ice melts, they get filled up the cirque with water and become beautiful lakes in the mountains called as Tarn Lake. When two adjacent cirques erode towards each other, the previously rounded landscape is transformed into a narrow rocky, steep - sided ridge called Aretes.

Aretes

U‘ Shaped Valley is found beneath the glaciers which is deepened and widened by the lateral and vertical erosion. The material carried by the glacier such as rocks - big and small, sand and silt get deposited. These deposits form glacial moraines.

Wind

Have you ever visited a desert? Try to collect some pictures of sand dunes. An active agent of erosion and deposition in the deserts is wind. In deserts you can see rocks in the shape of a mushroom, commonly called mushroom rocks.

Mushroom Rock

Winds erode the lower section of the rock more than the upper part. Therefore, such rocks have narrower base and wider top. An isolated residual hill, standing like a pillar with rounded tops are called Inselbergs. E.g. Inselberg in the Kalahari Desert of South Africa.

Inselberg

When the wind blows, it lifts and transports sand from one place to another. When it stops blowing the sand falls and gets deposited in low hill - like structures. These are called sand dunes. The crescent shaped sand dunes are called Barchans.
Barchans

When the grains of sand are very fine and light, the wind can carry it over very long distances. When such sand is deposited in large areas, it is called Loess. Large deposits of loess are found in China.

Loess

Northern China loess deposits are brought from the Gobi Desert.

Coast

A part of the land adjoining or near the sea is called the Sea coast. The boundary of a coast, where land meets water is called the Coast line. The coastal areas are subject to change due to wave erosion and wave deposition.

Coastal Landforms

The erosion and deposition of the sea waves give rise to coastal landforms. Sea Cliffs are steep rock faces formed, when the sea waves dash against them. Sea waves continuously strike at the rocks. Cracks develop. Over time they become larger and wider. Thus, hollow like caves are formed on the rocks. They are called Sea Caves.

Sea Cliff

Sea cave

As the cavities of sea caves become bigger and bigger only the roof of the caves remains, thus forming Sea Arches. Further, erosion breaks the roof and only walls are left. These wall-like features are called Stacks.
Sea arch and Sea stack

The sea waves deposit sediments of sand and gravel along the shores forming **Beaches**. **Sand bar** is an elongated deposition of sand or mud found in the sea, almost parallel to the coast.

Beach and Sand Bar

The first longest beach in the world is the Miami beach in South Florida in U.S.A. The second longest beach in the world is the Marina beach in Chennai.

*DO YOU KNOW!?*

**Lagoon** is a shallow stretch of water partially or completely separated from the sea. E.g. Chilka lake in Odisha, Pulicat lake in Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh and Vembanad lake in Kerala are the famous lagoons in India.

Lagoon

**WRAP UP**

- The landscape is being continuously worn away by weathering and erosion.
- River, glacier, wind and sea waves are the major agents of exogenic forces.
- From its source to its mouth, the river is constantly reshaping the land and giving rise to different landforms.
- The river begins to break up into a number of streams called distributaries.
- Deltas are excellent productive lands which have more minerals.
- Glacier is large body of ice moving slowly down a slope due to gravity.
- Moraines are glacial deposition.
- Wind is the active agent of erosion and deposition in deserts.
- The sea waves deposit sediments of sand and gravel along the shores forming beaches.
**Glossary**

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<td>Weathering</td>
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<td>River mouth</td>
<td>The place where the river joins a lake or an ocean.</td>
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<td>Tributary</td>
<td>A stream or river that flow into and joins a main river.</td>
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<td>Cavitation</td>
<td>Intense erosion due to the surface collapse of air bubbles found in rapid flow of water.</td>
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<td>Delta</td>
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<td>ஆற்றுக் கழிமுகம்</td>
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<td>8.</td>
<td>Cirque</td>
<td>The arm chair shaped depression with steep wall side formed by glacial erosion.</td>
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<td>A shallow stretch of water partially separated from the sea.</td>
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**Evaluation**

I. Choose the correct answer

1. __________ is a deposition of river sediments along the foot-hills.
   a) Plunge pool  
   b) Alluvial fan  
   c) Flood plain  
   d) Delta

2. Courtallam falls is located across the___________ river.
   a) Cauvery  
   b) Pennar  
   c) Chittar  
   d) Vaigai

3. The landform created by glacial deposition is
   a) Cirque  
   b) Arete  
   c) Moraine  
   d) Tarn lake

4. Large deposits of loess are found in
   a) USA  
   b) India  
   c) China  
   d) Brazil

5. __________ are not associated with wave erosion
   a) Cliff  
   b) Sea arch  
   c) Stack  
   d) Beaches

II. Fill in the blanks

1. The process of breaking and crumbling of rocks is ____________.

2. The place where the river joins a lake or a sea is known as ____________.
3. Inselbergs are found in the ____________ desert in South Africa.
4. A cirque is known as ____________ in Germany.
5. The first longest beach in the world is ____________.

III. Match the following

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<td>Large body of moving ice</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Crescent shaped sand dunes</td>
<td>Weathering</td>
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<td>Oxbow lake</td>
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IV. Consider the following statement and tick (✓) the appropriate answer

1. Assertion (A): The deltas are formed near the mouth of the river.
   Reason (R): The velocity of the river becomes slow when it approaches the sea.
   a) Both A and R are correct
   b) A is correct and R is wrong
   c) A is wrong and R is correct
   d) Both A and R are wrong

Assertion (A): Sea arches in turn become Sea Stacks.
Reason (R): Sea Stacks are the results of wave deposition.
   a) Both A and R are correct
   b) A is correct and R is wrong
   c) A is wrong and R is correct
   d) Both A and R are wrong

V. Answer the following
1. Define s erosion.
2. What is a plunge pool?
3. How are Ox – bow lakes formed?
4. Name the major landforms formed by glacial erosion.
5. Give a note on Mushroom rocks.
6. What is a lagoon? Give an example.

VI Distinguish the following
1. Tributary and Distributary
2. ‘V’ shaped valley and ‘U’ shaped valley
3. Continental glacier and Mountain glacier

VII Give Reason
1. The ends of the meander loops come closer and closer.
2. Flood plains are very fertile.
3. Sea caves are turn into stacks.

VIII Answer in a paragraph
1. Explain different landforms produced by river erosion.
2. Describe the landforms associated with wind.
3. How are aretes formed?

Activity
1. Fill in the corresponding columns with reference to the landform features given below

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[Barchan, 'V' Shaped valley, Cliff, Aretes, Inselberg, Moraine, Alluvial fan, Lagoon]
2 Crossword Puzzle

Across
1. Place of origin of the river.
3. Arm chair shaped glacial landform
6. Glacial Depositional feature
7. Vertical drop of water

Down
2. Lagoon in Tamil Nadu
4. Loops along the river course
5. Wave depositional feature
3. Identify any one of the following features near your home town and write a note on them.
   1. Hill
   2. Waterfall
   3. River (or) stream
   4. Beach.

Reference

ICT CORNER

Through this activity you will know about different types of land in the world

PROCEDURE:
Step - 1 Open the Browser and type the URL given below (or) Scan the QR Code.
Step - 2 Go to menu and select any types of land (Ex. Glacier)
Step-3 Roll over the red dot on the map to the right to choose a glacier

Landforms URL:
*Pictures are indicative only
*If browser requires, allow Flash Player or Java Script to load the page.
permanent distinguishing characteristics that are inherited. The most widely found human racial types are based on visual traits such as head shape, facial features nose shape, eye shape and colour, skin colour, stature, blood groups etc.,

The major world Human races are

• Caucasoid (European)
• Negroid (African)
• Mongoloid (Asiatic)
• Australoid (Australian)

**Causasoid**

The Caucasoid is known as European race. This group is the one with fair skin and dark brown eyes, wavy hair and narrow nose. The Caucasoid are also found in Eurasia.
Human geography is the study of Man and his surroundings to the natural environment.

Negroid
Negroid have the dark eyes, Black skin, black wooly hair, wide nose, long head, and thick lips. They are living in different parts of Africa.

Mongoloids
The mongoloid race is commonly known as the Asian-American race. The mongoloid have the light yellow to brown skin, straight hair, flat face, broad head and medium nose. Such people are found in Asia and Arctic region.

Australoids
Australoids have wide nose, curly hair dark skin, and short in height. They are living in Australia and Asia.

Races of India
India is said to be one of the cradle lands of human civilization. The ancient Indus valley civilization in India was believed to have been of Dravidian origin in northern India. The Dravidian people were pushed south when the Indo-Aryan came in later. South India was dominated by the three Dravidian kingdoms of the chera, the cholas, and the pandyas. The Dravidian languages are Tamil, Telugu, kannada, Malayalam and Tulu almost all the Dravidians live in the southern part of India.

Religion
Religion means a particular system of faith and worship, which brings human being with human society. Religion, is a symbol of group identity and a cultural rallying point.

Classification of Religion
a) Universalizing Religions
Christianity, Islam and Buddhism.

b) Ethnic Religions
Judaism, Hiduism and Japanese Shintoism.

c) Tribal or Traditional Religions
Animism, Shamanism and Shaman.

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Language
Language is a great force of socialization. Language, either in the written or oral form, is the most common type of communication. Language promotes the transmission of ideas and the functioning of political, economic, social and religious systems.
Languages of India

India has many languages and culture. Each state has its own language though the national language is Hindi, 22 major language were spoken by about 97 percent population of the country. India follows, kashmiri Urdu Punjabi, Hindi Rajasthani, Gujarati, Bengali and Assamese etc., these language are followed in North India. The main language of the Dravidian family are Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam etc., These languages are mainly spoken in southern India.

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<td>Third Sunday in January every year</td>
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<td>21st May</td>
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Today usage of language has changed. It is often used as communicational skill. With the different means of communication and fast moving world advancement in technology helps in understanding of different languages very easily with easy access to electronic media along with its pronunciations. These technologies have really brought the world closer.

Settlement

Settlement is a place where people live and interact through activities such as agriculture, trading and entertainment. A rural settlement is a community, involved predominantly in primary activities such as agriculture, lumbering, fishing and mining. An urban settlement engages in predominantly in secondary and tertiary activities, such as industries, trade and banking. There is often a correlation between the functions, size of population and population density. A rural settlement tends to have a small population and low population density. Urban settlement often has a large population size and high population density.

Site and situation refers to the location of the actual settlement. The initial choice of a site for a settlement depends on how it is useful for meeting our daily needs, like water supply, availability of farmland, building material and fuel etc.,

Old House Types

In the early periods of human settlement, houses were built using local materials. The form of the house was closely related to the environment. In the agricultural regions, houses were built with mud walls and the roof
was made of stalks of paddy (or) other crops of grass (or) thatch. Local wood was used to provide frame for the roof. Such old houses had wide verandahs and an open air circulation. The size of the house depended on the economic status of its inhabitants.

Patterns of Settlements

Settlements also be classified into Compact settlements and Dispersed settlement

Compact settlements

Compact settlement is also known as nucleated settlement. In this type large a number of houses are built very close to each other such settlement develop along the river valleys and fertile plains, In India compact settlements are found in the northern plains and the coastal plains of peninsular India.

Dispersed Settlements

Dispersed settlements are generally found in the areas of extreme climate, hilly tracts, thick forests, grasslands, areas of extensive cultivation. In these settlements, houses are spaced far apart and after interspersed with fields. In India this type of human settlement is found in the northern kosi tract, the Ganga delta, the Thar Desert of Rajasthan and the foot hills of Himalayas and the Niligiris.

Rural settlements are predominantly located near water bodies such as rivers, lakes, and springs where water can be easily available. People choose to settle near fertile lands suitable for agriculture, along with the provision of other basic needs. Hence, they prefer to live near low lying river valleys and coastal plains suited for cultivation. The availability of building materials like wood, stone and clay near settlements is another advantage, for settlements to be built.
Factors Influencing Rural Settlement

- Nature of topography
- Local weather Condition
- Soil and water resources
- Social organisation
- Economic condition

Pattern of Rural Settlement

The pattern of settlement has been defined as the relationship between a house or building to another. A rural settlement pattern is a function of relief, climate, water supply and socio-economic factor. It is broadly classified under the following patterns, such as Linear, Rectangular, Circular, Star like pattern etc.,

In a Linear settlement, houses are arranged along the either side of a road, railway line, river (or) canal, the edge of a valley, etc., e.g. the Himalayas, the Alps, the Rockies.

The rectangular settlements are almost straight, meeting each other at right angles. Such a settlement is found in plain areas (or) inter montane plain. E.g., Sutlej. Houses built around a central area are known as Circular pattern of settlements. Such settlement develop around lakes and tanks. The Star like pattern of settlement develops on the sites and places where several roads converge and houses spread out along the sides of roads in all directions. e.g. The Indo - Ganga plains of Punjab and Haryana.

Pilgrim settlement may come up around a place of worship (or) any spot with a religious significance. E.g. Thiruverkadu in Tamil Nadu.

Wet Point Settlement

A wet point is a site with reliable supply of water from wells, tank, river, spring (or) pond in an area.

Dry Point Settlement

A dry Point settlement is located in low-lying areas in the regions of excessive dampness. Dry point settlements are not affected by flooding, due to the landscape and the source of water. Such settlements are found in the coastal plains of Kerala and deltas along the east coast of India.
Urban Settlements

The settlements in which most of the people are engaged in secondary and tertiary activities are known as urban settlements. In other words, urban is related to cities and towns. The word urban is often used in terms of town, city, megalopolis, conurbation, and megalopolis.

Classification of Urban Settlements

The definition of urban area varies from country to another. Some of the common basis of classification are

- Size of population
- Occupational structure
- Administration

Town

Town is a general name for an urban place, usually a settlement meeting a prescribed minimum population threshold. Population more than 5000 people. Based on the function that cities perform they can be classified into the following types of towns, such as administrative, cantonment, academic etc.,

City

The term City is generally applied to large urban places with no strict definitions to separate if from smaller town. City is a nucleated settlement which multifunctional in character, including an established central business district. In India an urban place with more than one lakh population is considered as a city (Population more than 1,00,000).

Mega city

A mega city is a very large city typically with a population of more than 10 million people. A mega city can be a single metropolitan area.

E.g. Canton, Tokyo, Delhi, Mumbai are some of the examples of megacities.

World Health Organization (WHO) suggests that among other things a healthy city must have

- A Clean and “Safe” environment
- Meets the basic needs of “All” its inhabitants
- Involves the “Community” in local government
- Provides easily accessible “Health service.”

Megalopolis

The word megalopolis is given for a large conurbation, when two or more large cities whose total population exceeds ten million. The region made up of cities between Boston and Washington D.C is a well-known megalopolis. In India, Kolkata is the largest urban area which is a megalopolis. Gandhinagar, Surat, Vadodara, Rajput in Gujarat are the important megalopolis cities in India.

Conurbation

A Conurbation is a region comprising of a number of cities, large town, and other urban areas that through population growth and physical expansion have merged to form one continuous urban (or) industrially developed area. West Medland in England, the Ruhr in Germany, Randstad in the Netherlands are example of conurbations. Mumbai in Maharashtra, Gurgaon, Faridabad in Haryana, Noida in Uttar Pradesh are the conurbation cities of India.
**Satellite Town**

A satellite town is a town designed to house the over population of a major city, but is located well beyond the limits of that city. Satellite towns are generally located outside the rural urban fringe. In India most satellite towns are purely residential in character. Satellite towns occasionally present a look of twin towns such as Dehri and Dalmianager in Rohtas district of Bihar. They may be connected with roads. For e.g. Patna, Barauni, Varanasi and Hajipur.

**Smart City**

In an urban region, a city which is very much advanced in terms of infrastructure, real estate, communication and market availability is called a Smart City. The first ten smart cities of India are Bhubaneshwar, Pune, Jaipur, Surat, Ludhiana, Kochi, Ahmedabad, Solapur, New Delhi and Udaipur. Tamil Nadu has 12 major cities to be transformed as smart cities. They are Chennai, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Tiruchirappalli, Thanjavur, Tiruppur, Salem, Vellore, Coimbatore, Thoothukudi, Dindugul and Erode.

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**Wrap up**

- Races has been defined as a biological grouping within the human species, distinguished or classified according to genetically transmitted differences
- Caucasoid (European) Negroid (African) Mangoloid (Asiatic) Australoid (Australia) are the major classification of races
- Religion is classified into universalizing Ethnic and Tribal religion
- Language is a cultural form of enduring value and a culture can survive with the presence of language only
- Settlement is defined as a place in which people live and carry out various activities
- Settlement may be classified on basis of occupation as rural (village) and Urban (town)
- Compact settlements develops along river valleys and infertile plains
- Dispersed settlement are generally found in the areas of extreme climates, hill tracks, thick forest, grassland and in poor agricultural land.
Smart city is a city which very much advanced in terms of infrastructure.

**Exercises**

I. **Choose the correct answer**

1. Caucasian race is also known as __________ race  
   a) European  b) Negroid  c) Mangoloid  e) Australoid
2. __________ Race is Known as Asian-American Race  
   a) Caucasian  b) Negroid  c) Mongoloid  d) Australoid
3. The official language of India is __________  
   a) Marathi  b) Tamil  c) English  d) Hindi
4. Rural settlements are located near __________  
   a) Water bodies  b) Hilly areas  c) coastal areas  d) desert areas
5. Arrange the following in terms of size  
   1) City  2) Megalopolis  3) Metropolis  4) Conurbation  
   a) 4,1,3,2  b) 1,3,4,2  c) 2,1,3,4  d) 3,1,2,4

II. **Fill in the blanks**

1. The Bushmen is found mainly in __________ desert in South Africa
2. Linguistic stock is a group of __________ family sharing features and its origin
3. In __________ settlements, where most of the people are engaged in secondary and tertiary activities
4. __________ towns are generally located outside the rural Urban fringe.
5. __________ Settlements come up around a place of Worship

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<td>4. Seacoast</td>
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<td>5. Haryana</td>
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IV. **Consider the following statement and (✓)Tick the appropriate answer**

1. **Assertion (A):** There are numerous languages spoken in the world  
   **Reason (R):** The linguistic diversity in the world is vast.  
   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:** Thiruverkadu in Tamil Nadu is an example for pilgrim settlement  
   **Reason (R):** Iron and steel industry is located
there

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 a)
d) A and R are wrong

V. Circle the odd one out
1. Fishing, lumbering, agriculture, banking
2. Himalayas Alps Rocky Ganga
3. Chennai, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Kanchipuram

VI. Answer the following
1. What are the classification of Races?
2. What is language?
3. Describe the classification of religion.
4. Define settlement
5. On what basis Urban settlements are classified?
6. Write a note on smart city

VII. Give reason
1. India has a huge crucible racial mixing races since pre historic times
2. Mumbai is a mega city
3. Himalayas have dispersed settlement.

VIII. Distinguish between
1. Physical Geography and Human Geography
2. Language and Religion
3. Negroid and Mangoloid
4. City and town
5. Urban settlement and rural settlement

IX. Answer the following in a paragraph
1. Write about the four major classification of races.
2. Write about the main features of religious life.
3. What are the factors influencing rural settlement?
4. What are types of rural settlement? Explain any three.

X. Activity

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Unit -I
Equality

Learning Objectives

- To understand the meaning of Equality
- To know the importance of Equality
- To learn the different types of Equality
- To know the various Articles of our constitution that have guaranteed Equality
**Introduction:**

Nature has made man inequal in colour, height, talent, physical strength etc., and the natural inequalities can never be rectified. Even the twins looking like the similar are not equal in their abilities. Man made inequalities on the basis of caste, money religion etc can be rectified. It is universally accepted that people are differed in their capacity, ability, attitude etc but at the same time, it is also accepted that they should be given equal opportunities for the development of their skills and talents.

**What is Equality?**

Equality is ensuring individuals or groups that are not treated differently or less favourably on the basis of specific protected characteristic, including areas of race, gender, disability, religion or belief, sexual orientation and age.

According to Prof Laski “Equality does not mean identity of treatment, the sameness of reward. It means first of all absence of social privilege, on the second it means that adequate opportunities are laid upon to all”.

**Importance of Equality**

Equality is a powerful moral and political ideal that has inspired and guided human society for many centuries. The concept of equality invokes the idea that all human beings have equal worth regardless of their caste, colour, gender, race or nationality. The democratic ideals such as liberty, equality etc are meaningful and effective only when they are implemented with justice.

**Kinds of Equality**

**Social equality**

Social equality means that all citizen are entitled to enjoy equal status in society. There should not be any discrimination of caste, creed, colour and race. All should have equal opportunity to develop their personality and to complete goals.

**Civil Equality**

Civil equality is enjoyment of civil rights by all citizen. There should not be any discrimination of superior or inferior, the rich or the poor, caste or creed. Equal rights should be available to all the persons and nobody should be denied enjoyment of any rights. Rule of law is in force in England and in the eyes of law all are equal and equal treatment is given to all by the rule of law. In India the same rule of law is followed.

**Rule of law was advocated by A.V.Dicey, the British legal luminary.**

**Political Equality**

All the democratic countries including India have guaranteed the political rights to all citizens. It includes

- Right to vote
- Right to hold public Office
- Right to criticise the government
Citizens should have equal opportunity to actively participate in the political life. These rights can be enjoyed through the Universal Adult Franchise. In India the voting right is given to all the citizens who has attained 18 years of age without any discriminations. India is the first country to give right to vote to women from the very first general election held in the year 1952. In Switzerland the right to vote is given to women in 1971. Any person who has completed the age of 25 years can contest in the election. Right to criticise the government is also very important right and the people can express their resentment through demonstrations. The value of the vote of the Prime Minister and value of vote of common man in general election is same which denotes political equality.

Gender Equality

All human beings, both men and women, are free to develop their personal abilities and make choices without any limitations. Women were not given equal rights and they were considered as weak as compared to man and they were placed in a secondary position to men. They should be treated equally. It does not mean that women and men have to become the same, but that their rights, responsibilities and opportunities will not depend on whether they are born male or female. Gender Equality is the equal right of both men and women to have access to opportunities and resources. They have right to participate in the economic sphere and make important decisions. Women with their talent and hard work have proved that their ability is not less than men in any aspect. Nowadays, women are successfully working in many fields like Border security force, Indian Air Force, etc. For the uplift of women 50% reservation has been given for women in local bodies.

UNICEF says Gender Equality “means that women and men, and girls and boys, enjoy the same rights, resources, opportunities and prolictions. It does not require that girls and boys, or women and men, be same, or that they be treated exactly alike.”

As of 2017, gender equality is the fifth of seventeen sustainable development goals of the United Nations.

Efforts were made by many social activists from the 19th century onwards. The noted champions of this cause were Raja Rammohan Roy, Ishwar chandra Vidyasagar Dayanand Saraswati, Mahadev Govind Ranade, Tarabai Shinde, Begum Rokeya Sakhawat Hussain. They worked hard to get equal status to the women.

Human dignity

Dignity means self – respect. Human dignity is the most important human right from which all
other fundamental rights derive. Dignity is the quality of being honourable, noble and excellent. Every human being should be regarded as a very valuable member of the community.

**Equality of Opportunity and Education**

All the individuals should have similar chances to receive education. They should have similar opportunities to develop their personality. We need equality to get equal treatment in society. If we treat equality we can earn respect and dignity.

**Equality in Indian constitution**

Almost the constitution all the countries in the world have guaranteed equality. Likewise, the constitution of India has also guaranteed equality to all citizens by providing Articles form 14-18.

- Article 14 – guarantees to all the people equality before law.
- Article 15 – deals with the prohibition of discrimination.
- Article 16 – provides equality of opportunity in matters relating to employment.
- Article 17 – abolishes the practice of untouchability.
- Article 18 - abolishes the titles conferred to citizen.

Equality before law and equal protection of law have been further strengthened in the Indian constitution under Article 21.

**We can promote equality by**

- Treating all fairly
- Creating an inclusive culture
- Ensuring equal access to opportunities
- Enabling to develop full potential
- Making laws and policies
- Education.

**Conclusion**

India is the largest democratic country in the world. Equality and justice are the pillars of democracy. Justice can be achieved when people are treated equality. Equality is so important because it preserves the dignity of an individual. Equality is an important principle for a society to function.

**Summary**

- Liberty and Equality are the two fundamental concepts of democracy.
- All people should be equal before law and everybody should be given equal chance and opportunity to participate in political life.
- Civil equality implies equality of all before law.
- Gender equality means both the men and women should be treated equally.
- The various laws programmes of the government aim at gender equality.
I. Choose the correct answer

1. Which one of the following does not come under Equality?
   a. Non discrimination on the basis of birth, caste, religion, race, colour, gender.
   b. Right to contest in the election.
   c. All are treated equal in the eyes of law.
   d. Showing inequality between rich and poor.

2. Which one of the following is comes under political Equality?
   a. Right to petition the government and criticize public policy.
   b. Removal of inequality based on race, colour, sex and caste.
   c. All are equal before the law.
   d. Prevention of concentration of wealth in the hands of law.

3. In India, right to vote is given to all the citizens at the age of ____________
   a. 21    b. 18   c. 25   d. 31

II. Fill in the blanks

1. Civil equality implies equality of all before ____________.

2. The Indian constitution deals about the Right to equality from Article _______ to ________.

3. Right to contest in the election is a ________ Right.

4. Equality means, absent of ________ privileges.

III. Give short answer

1. What is Equality?

2. Why is gender Equality needed?

3. What is civil Equality?
IV. Answer in detail

1. Write about the importance of Equality.

2. What is political Equality?

3. How does the Constitution of India protect the Right to Equality?

HOTs

How can we eliminate inequality at school level?

I. Life Skills

Write the correct answer.

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<td>2. Equality of all before the law.</td>
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<td>3. Right to vote, right to hold public office and right to criticize the government.</td>
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<td>4. My ability is not less than men in any aspect.</td>
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Unit -II
Political Parties

Learning Objectives

- To define what political party is and to understand the importance of the political party
- To know the role and function of a political party
- To understand the party system in India and the role of opposition party

Student Siva: Good morning Mam. May I come in?
Teacher Ms. Aadhi: Good morning Siva. Always you will be on time. Why are you so late today?
Siva: Sorry mam. I was delayed due to a procession.
Ms. Aadhi: What is it about? Who arranged this procession?
Siva: My uncle said “That is the work of the political party”.
Ms. Aadhi: Oh. I see!
Siva: What is political party mam? Why are they doing so?
Ms. Aadhi: Wait. Today I am going to teach about political parties. Let us know all about that.

In earlier times, emperors and kings ruled India. The king was the supreme head of the Legislative, Executive and Judiciary branches. Governance was in the hands of one person. The welfare of the people depended on the ruler. People had no rights to do against the ruler. Later foreign powers made India as their colonies. The colonies became states after Independence was declared.

In 1950 India became a democratic country. A vibrant democracy needs a strong political party system. Party System is a modern phenomenon. In a democracy people are able to voice their opinions on any subject.
What are Political Parties?
Political parties are the voluntary associations of individuals with broad ideological identity who agree on some policies, formulate an agenda and programme for the society. Political parties seek to implement their policies by winning people's support through election. Parties vary in size and in the ways they organize themselves as well as in their policies.
Any political party has three basic components
- the leader
- the active members
- the followers

Importance of political parties
Political parties are the backbone of democracy. Parties are not part of the formal arrangement of a government but they are essential elements to form the government. They formulate public opinion. They serve as intermediaries between the citizen and the policy makers.
A party is recognized if
- it has been engaged in political activity for five years.
- its candidates secure at least six percent of total votes in the last general election.

Characteristics of Political Parties
Political parties
- consist a group of persons of common goals and shared values.
- have its own ideology and programme.
- capture power only by constitutional means.
- endeavour to promote the national interest and national welfare.

Party ‘manifesto’
During the campaign before election, the candidates announce the programmes and policies that their party will undertake if voted to power.
Types of Party System

There are three major types of party system.

**Single Party System:** a system in which a single political party has the right to form the government. Single party is existed in the communist countries such as China, North Korea and Cuba.

**Bi – Party System:** In Bi –Party system the power is usually shared between two parties. Of the two parties one becomes the ruling party and the other becomes opposition. eg Bi-Party system can be seen in U.K. (the Labour Party and the Conservative Party) and in U.S.A (the Republican Party and the Democratic Party)

**Multi – Party System**

When the competition for power is among three or more parties, the system is known as multi party system. This type of party system is in existence in India, France, Sweden and Norway etc.

Party system in India

Countries that follow a federal system have two kinds of parties. India's party system originated in the late 19th century. In fact India has the largest number of political parties in the world. In India we find the existence of political parties at three levels. They are National parties, Regional parties, and Registered but unrecognised parties (independent candidates). Every party in the country has to register with Election Commission.

_Election Commission – Statutory body_

_The Election Commission of India_ is an autonomous, constitutional authority responsible for administering elections. Its head quarter is located in New Delhi.

**HOW TO FORM A POLITICAL PARTY**

- Must get registered with Election Commission of India
- Must have atleast 100 members. Each member needs to hold a voting card.
- Must write a Party Constitution
Recognized parties

Parties that fulfill these criteria are called recognized parties. They are given a unique symbol by the Election Commission.

A registered but unrecognized political party cannot contest election on its own symbol. This party has to choose one symbol from free symbol ‘poll panel’ announced by the Election Commission.

Free symbols ‘Poll panel’

As per the Election Symbols order 1968, symbols are either reserved or free. A reserved symbol is meant for a recognized political party. A free symbol is reserved for unrecognized party.

Majority Party

The Political Party whose number of candidates elected is more than the others is called the majority party. The Majority Party forms and runs the government. They select and appoint their ministers to run the government. They play a decisive role in making laws for the country.

Minority Party

Those with lesser number of elected candidates are called the minority party.
Opposition Party

The party which gets second largest number of seats next to the majority party in the election is called the Opposition party. An effective opposition is very essential for the successful operation of the democracy. They are as important as that of ruling party. They check the autocratic tendencies of the ruling party. They critically examine the policies and bills introduced by the government. They raise their voice on the failures and wrong policies. They highlight important issues which are not acted upon the Government. The leader of the opposition party enjoys the rank of Cabinet Minister.

Coalition Government

In a Multiparty system a single party sometimes may not secure the majority required to form the government. In such a case, some parties join together to form the government. Such government is called Coalition Government.

Electoral Symbols and its importance

An electoral symbol is a standardised symbol allocated to a political party. They play an important role in elections. They can be easily identified, understood, remembered and recognized by the voters. The Election commission has stopped allotting animals as symbols. The only exceptions are the lion and the elephant. The symbol of nationally recognized parties is standard throughout India. That symbol will not be allotted to any other party or individual.

State parties are allotted to certain symbols that no other party can use the symbol in that particular state but which different parties in different states can use the same symbol. (e.g Shiv Sena in Maharashtra and Jharkhand Mukti Morsha in Jharkhand use bow and arrow as their symbol).

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<td>❖ Regional parties are political parties which participate in different elections but only within one state.</td>
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<td>❖ It should be strong enough in at least four states.</td>
<td>❖ It should be strong enough in at least one or two states.</td>
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<td>❖ It has an exclusive symbol throughout the country.</td>
<td>❖ A symbol is reserved for it in the state in which it is recognized. But the same symbol can be allotted to different parties in different states.</td>
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<td>❖ It resolves State, National and International issues.</td>
<td>❖ It promotes regional and state interest.</td>
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Both National and Regional parties trigger the growth of the nation and work for the welfare of the people.
Summary

- Modern age is an age of mass society and of large population and party system is a modern phenomenon.
- A group of people with broad common interest who organize to win elections, control government and thereby influence government policies.
- There are three major types of party system (i.e.) single party system, Bi-party system, and Multi-party system.
- In India we have Multi–party system.
- Individual citizen who are not members of a party may also be elected. They are known as Independents.
- Election Commission is responsible for free and fair elections in India.

Glossary

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<td>Election manifesto</td>
<td>a public declaration of policies and aims by political parties</td>
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<td>Opposition party</td>
<td>a party opposing to the other parties</td>
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<td>system of government in which several states form a unity but remain independent in internal affairs</td>
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<td>Cabinet Minister</td>
<td>member of a parliament or legislative assembly cabinet</td>
<td>அமெராவார்ச்சியர்</td>
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Evaluation

I. Choose the correct answer:

1. What is meant by B1-party system?
   a. Two parties run the government.
   b. Two members run a party.
   c. Two major political parties contest election.
   d. None of these.

2. Which system of government does India have?
   a) Single–party system
   b) B1-party system
   c) Multi-party system
   d) None of these

3. Recognition of a political party is accorded by ____________.
   a) The Election commission
   b) The president
c) The supreme court
d) A committee

4. Political parties are generally formed on the basis of ____________.
a) Religious principles
b) Common interest
c) Economic principles
d) Caste

5. Single-party system is found in ________.
a) India
b) U.S.A
c) France
d) China

II Fill in the blanks:
1. _______form the backbone of democracy.
2. Every party in our country has to register with ____________.
3. Political parties serve as intermediaries between the ____________and__________.
4. A registered but ______________ political party cannot contest election on its own symbol.
5. The leader of the opposition party enjoys the rank of ____________.

III Match the following:

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<td>3. Majority party</td>
<td>rule of the people</td>
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<td>4. Opposition party</td>
<td>free and fair election</td>
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IV Consider the following statements:
Tick (✓) the appropriate answer

1. Which of the following statement is/are correct?
a) Every party in the country has to register with the election commission.
b) The commission treats all the parties equally.
c) Election commission allots a separate symbol for recognized parties.
d) All the above.

2. Assertion: Majority party plays a decisive role in making laws for the country.
Reason: The number of candidates elected is more than the others in the election.
a. R is the correct explanation of A.
b. R is not the correct explanation of A.
c. R is wrong A is correct.
d. A and R are wrong.

V Answer in one or two sentences:

1. What are the basic components of a political party?
2. Name the three major types of party system.
3. Name the countries which follow Bi – party system.
4. Write a note on Coalition Government.

VI Answer the following:

1. Write any four functions of political party?
2. When is a political party recognized as a National Party?
VII HOTs:

1. Is political party necessary for a democratic country?
2. Give any three names of National party, Regional party, and Registered but unrecognized party.

VII Activity:

1. Write an election manifesto (if you were a party leader).

ICT CORNER

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

This activity enables the students to know about the Election Commission of India

PROCEDURE:

Step 1: Open the Browser and Install the URL link given below
Step 2: Select “Election India” (Eg: Parties) to get a brief information about “National Parties”
Step 3: Click the Menu button and select any title (E.g Leaders) to view about the leaders profile
Step 4: Touch the menu button and select “Dash board” to know about the status Of upcoming elections and National parties

URL:
https://play.google.com/store/search?q=election (or) scan the QR Code

*Pictures are indicative only
*If browser requires, allow Flash Player or Java Script to load the page.
Unit -I
Production

Learning Objectives

To acquaint ourselves with
™ To know the meaning of production
™ To understand the types of production
™ To know the types of factors of production
™ To understand the characteristics of factors of production
One day Yazhini and Josephine were sitting in a park near their house and eating sugarcane. At that time, Yazhini’s uncle Raja from the town came there.

On seeing them eating sugarcane, he asked, “Dear children, do you know what are the products produced from the sugarcane?"

Both of them thought for a while and said, ‘uncle, they make sugar’.

**Uncle:** You are right. Do you know how they produce sugar for our consumption?

**Yazhini:** No uncle. But if you tell us we will know about it uncle.

**Uncle:** Ok. I shall tell you and you in turn must tell your friends about it.

**Yazhini and Josephin:** Ok uncle, thank you.

He began saying, sugarcane is produced in an agricultural field. This is the Primary production. To get sugar, we take sugarcane to the sugar factories, using the machine we produce sugar. This is Secondary production. So the sugar industries are known as secondary sector and generally described as manufacturing and construction industries, and the industries in the tertiary sector produce all those services which enable the finished goods to be put in the hands of consumers. These industries include traders, banking, insurance, etc.

Production is the process of changing the raw materials into finished product. Here the factors of production is the input like, sugarcane, machinery, labours, etc. and sugar is the output. Now, let us learn about production and the various factors are included in production like land, labour, capital and entrepreneur and its characteristics in detail.

**Yazhini and Josephin:** Ok uncle.

There are two main activities in an economy, production and consumption. Similarly, there are two kinds of people, producers and consumers. Well-being is made possible by efficient production and by the interaction between producers and consumers. In the interaction, consumers can be identified in two roles both of which generate well-being. Consumers can be both customers of the producers and suppliers to the producers. The customers’ well-being arises from the commodities they are buying and the suppliers’ well-being is related to the income they receive as compensation for the production inputs they have delivered to the producers.

**Meaning of Production**

Production is a process of combining various material inputs and immaterial inputs in order to make something for consumption (the output). It is the act of creating an output, a good or service which has value and contributes to the utility of individuals.

Production in economics refers to the creation of those goods and services which have exchange value. It means the creation of utilities. Utility means want satisfying power of a product. Utilities are in the nature of form utility, time utility and place utility.
Indian Economy is a Mixed Economy. Private and Public Sector are existing together.

Types of Production

There are three types of production

1. Primary production
2. Secondary Production
3. Tertiary or Service Production

1. Primary Production

Primary production is carried out by ‘extractive’ industries like agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining and oil extraction. These industries are engaged in such activities as extracting the gifts of nature from the earth's surface, from beneath the earth's surface and from the oceans.

2. Secondary Production

This includes production in manufacturing industry, turning out semi-finished and finished goods from raw materials and intermediate goods, conversion of

Types of Utility

Form utility

If the physical form of a commodity is changed, its utility may increase.

Eg. Cotton increases, if it is converted into clothes.

Place utility

If a commodity is transported from one place to another, its utility may increase.

Eg. If rice transported to Tamilnadu to Kerala, its utility will be more.

Time utility

If the commodity is stored for future usage, its utility may increase.

Eg. Agricultural commodities like Paddy, Wheat, etc. are stored for the regular uses of consumers through the year.

Do YOU KNOW?

Indian Economy is a Mixed Economy. Private and Public Sector are existing together.

Cotton Cloth
Transportation
Warehouse
Mining Forestry
Agriculture
flour into bread or iron ore into finished steel. They are generally described as manufacturing and construction industries, such as the manufacture of cars, furnishing, clothing and chemicals, as also engineering and building.

3. Tertiary Production

Industries in the tertiary sector produce all those services which enable the finished goods to be put in the hands of consumers. In fact, these services are supplied to the firms in all types of industry and directly to consumers. Examples cover distributive traders, banking, insurance, transport and communications. Government services, such as law, administration, education, health and defence, are also included.

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Example: Primary sector and Secondary sector Production

Cotton (Primary sector) – Cotton Industry (Secondary Sector) = Cloth Production

Iron ore (Primary sector) – Iron Industry (Secondary sector) = Material Production

Wheat flour (Primary sector) – Bread Factory (Secondary Sector) = Food Production

Factors of Production

Human activity can be broken down into two components, production and consumption. When there is production, a process of transformation takes place. Inputs are converted into an output. The inputs are classified and referred to as land, labour, and capital. Collectively the inputs are called factors of production.

When the factors of production are combined in order to produce something, a
fourth factor is required. Goods and services do not produce themselves but need some conscious thought process in order to plan and implement manufacture. This thought process is often called Entrepreneurship and Organization.

Factors of production

1. Primary Factors and
2. Derived Factors.

Primary factors are land and labour. These are naturally given and without them no goods can be produced.

Derived factors are Capital and Organization. These derived factors, when combined with the primary factors of production, raise total production.

**FACTORS OF PRODUCTION**

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Land  Labour  Capital  Organization
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**Land**

Land as a factor of production refers to all those natural resources or gifts of nature which are provided free to man. It includes within itself several things such as land surface, air, water, minerals, forests, rivers, lakes, seas, mountain, climate, and weather. Thus, land includes all things that are not made by man.

**Land** : Land can take on various forms, from agricultural land to commercial real estate to the resources available from a particular piece of Land.

**Characteristics of Land**

1. **Land is a Free Gift of Nature**

   Man has to make efforts in order to acquire other factors of production. But to acquire land no human efforts are needed. Land is not the outcome of human labour. Rather, it existed even long before the evolution of man.

2. **Land is fixed in supply**

   The total quantity of land does not undergo any change. It is limited and cannot be increased or decreased with human efforts. No alteration can be made in the surface area of land.

3. **Land is imperishable**

   All man-made things are perishable and these may even go out of existence. But land is indestructible. Thus it cannot go out of existence. It is not destructible.
4. Land is a Primary Factor of Production:

In any kind of production process, we have to start with land. For example, in industries, it helps to provide raw materials, and in agriculture, crops are produced on land.

5. Land is Immovable:

It cannot be transported from one place to another. For instance, no portion of India’s surface can be transported to some other country.

6. Land has some Original Indestructible Powers

There are some original and indestructible powers of land, which a man cannot destroy. Its fertility may be varied but it cannot be destroyed completely.

7. Land Differs in Fertility

Fertility of land differs on different pieces of land. One piece of land may produce more and the other less.

As a gift of nature, the initial supply price of land is zero. However, when used in production, it becomes scarce. Therefore, it fetches a price accordingly.

Labour

Labour is the human input into the production process. Alfred Marshall defines labour as, ‘the use of body or mind, partly or wholly, with a view to secure an income apart from the pleasure derived from the work’

Characteristics of Labour

- Labour is more perishable than other factors of production. It means labour cannot be stored. The labour of an unemployed worker is lost forever for that day when he does not work. Labour can neither be postponed nor accumulated for the next day. It will perish. Once time is lost, it is lost forever.
- Labour is an active factor of production. Neither land nor capital can yield much without labour.
• Labour is not homogeneous. Skill and dexterity vary from person to person.

• Labour cannot be separated from the labourer.

• Labour is mobile. Man moves from one place to another from a low paid occupation to a high paid occupation.

• Individual labour has only limited bargaining power. He cannot fight with his employer for a rise in wages or improvement in work-place conditions. However, when workers combine to form trade unions, the bargaining power of labour increases.

Division of Labour

The concept ‘Division of Labour’ was introduced by the Adam Smith in his book ‘An enquiry into the nature and causes of wealth of nations’.

Division of labour means dividing the process of production into distinct and several component processes and assigning each component in the hands of a labour or a set of labourers, who are specialists in that particular process.

Activity:

Students are asked to visit the nearest private tailoring shop and Garments Export Industry.

Teacher and students are to discuss about the process of making dresses in the tailoring shop and Garments Export Industry.
Merits of division of labour

- It improves efficiency of labour when labour repeats doing the same tasks.
- Facilities the use of machinery in production, resulting in inventions. Ex. More's Telegraphic Codes.
- Time and Materials are put to the best and most efficient use.

Demerits of division of labour

- Repetition of the same task makes labour to feel that the work is monotonous and stale. It kills the humanity in him.
- Narrow specialization reduces the possibility of labour to find alternative avenues of employment. This results in increased unemployment.
- Reduce the growth of handicrafts and the worker loses the satisfaction of having made a commodity in full.

Capital

Capital is the man made physical goods used to produce other goods and services. In the ordinary language, capital means money. In economics, capital refers to that part of man-made wealth which is used for the further production of wealth. All wealth is not capital but all capital is wealth.

According to Marshall, 'Capital consists of those kinds of wealth other than free gifts of nature, which yield income'.

Forms of capital

1. Physical Capital or Material Resources
   Ex. Machinery, tools, buildings, etc.
2. Money capital or Monetary resources
   Ex. Bank deposits, shares and securities, etc.
3. Human capital or Human Resources
   Ex. Investments in education, training and health

Characteristics of Capital

- Capital is a passive factor of production
- Capital is man-made
- Capital is not an indispensable factor of production
- Capital has the highest mobility
- Capital is productive
- Capital lasts over time
- Capital involves present sacrifice to get future benefits
Entrepreneur

An entrepreneur is a person who combines the different factors of production (land, labour and capital), in the right proportion and initiates the process of production and also bears the risk involved in it.

The entrepreneur is also called 'Organizer'. In modern times, an entrepreneur is called 'the changing agent of the society'. He is not only responsible for producing the socially desirable output but also to increase the social welfare.

Characteristics of Entrepreneur

- Identifying profitable investible opportunities
- Deciding the location of the production unit
- Making innovations
- Deciding the reward payment
- Taking risks and facing uncertainties

Activity: 2
Students are asked to visit some entrepreneurs in their nearest home town and collect the information of his businesses.
Teacher and students discuss about the entrepreneurs.

WRAP UP

Production is a process of combining various material inputs and immaterial inputs in order to make something for consumption.

- Utility means want satisfying power of a product.
- Utilities are in the nature of form utility, time utility and place utility.
- There are three types of production Primary production, Secondary Production, Tertiary or Service Production
- Inputs are called factors of production.
- Factors of Production Land, Labour, Capital, Organization
- The concept 'Division of Labour' was introduced by the Father of Economics Adam Smith in his book ‘An enquiry into the nature and causes of wealth of nations’

Evaluation

I. Choose the correct answer

1. Production refers to
   a) destruction of utility
   b) creation of utilities
   c) exchange value
   d) none of these

2. Utilities are in the nature of
   a) form utility
   b) time utility
   c) place utility
   d) all of these

3. ________ is carried out by extractive industries.
   a) secondary production
   b) primary production
   c) tertiary production
   d) service production

4. Primary factors are
   a) land, capital
   b) capital, labour
   c) land, labour
   d) none of these
5. The entrepreneur is also called  
a) exchanger  
b) Agent  
c) organizer  
d) communicator  

II. Fill in the blanks  
1. ------------ means want satisfying power of a product.  
2. Derived factors are ------------ and ------.  
3. ----------- is a fixed in supply.  
4. -------- is the human input into the production process.  
5. --------- is the man made physical goods used to produce other goods and services.  

III. Match the following  
1. Primary production - Adamsmith  
2. Time utility - fishing, mining  
3. Wealth of nation - entrepreneur  
4. Human capital - stored for future  
5. Innovator - education, health  

IV. Give short answer:  
1. What is production?.  
2. What is utility?.  
3. Name the types of utility.  
4. Name the types of production.  
5. What are the factors of production?  
6. Define Labour  
7. Define Division of labour.  
8. Write the forms of capital.  
9. Who is the changing agent of the society?.  
10. Write the three characteristics of entrepreneur?.  

V. Give brief answer.  
1. Explain the types of production?  
2. What is land? what are the characteristics of land?  
3. Explain the merits and demerits of division of labour.  
4. Describe the characteristics of capital.  
5. What are the functions of entrepreneur?.  

VI. Activity and Project  
1. Students are asked to prepare a chart containing dummy images of primary, secondary and tertiary sectors images.  
2. Students are asked to visit some local farmers and to discuss about the land and its characteristics. Collect some photographs of land and make a album.  

VI. Life skills:  
1. Students to know about the characteristics of entrepreneur, Set up your classroom like a industry. Some Students are asked to act like a businessman, Do the industries activities. Teacher and students together discuss about the entrepreneur and their important of development of society.  

Glossary  

| 1. Production | Manufacture | உற்பத்தி | மாற்றும் |  
| 2. Utility | Usefulness | பயன் | பயன்பாடு |  
| 3. Organization | Firm | நிறுவனம் | கத்தோலிக்கு |  
| 4. Entrepreneur | Businessman | பார் | பார்வோர் |  
| 5. Factors | Component | குறிப்பிட்டு | அறிவியல் |  
| 6. Division | Dividing | விழுக்க | பாலம் |  
| 7. Resources | Assets | வாங்குதல் | வாங்குநாள் |  

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