

# CH → NATIONALISM IN INDIA

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## Introduction:-

- ↳ In India nationalism because of anti-colonialism.
- ↳ Different experiences, different effects of colonialism so different idea for nationalism.
- ↳ Congress under M.K. Gandhi tried to unite these ideas.

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## The first world war, Khilafat & Non Cooperation movement :-

- ↳ First world war                                   ↳ Defence expenditure increased
- ↳ In India - New economic & political situation
- ↳ War loan, taxes increase.                      ↳ Income tax, customs duties
- ↳ Prices of things rose                              ↳ forced recruitment
- ↳ 1918-19 & 1920-21 → Crops failed & influenza epidemic.
- ↳ People perished                                    ↳ Thought it would end after war.
- ↳ But it didn't happen.

## (i) The idea of Satyagraha:-

- ↳ Jan. 1915 → Gandhi returned from S.Africa                           ↳ successful satyagraha
- ↳ Satyagraha → ① Power of truth   ② Search for truth   ③ Non-violence
- ↳ 1916 → Champaran satyagraha                                        ④ Indigo plantation
- ↳ 1917 → ① Kheda satyagraha                                        ⑤ Revenue
- ↳ 1918 → ① Ahmedabad satyagraha                                ⑥ Cotton mill workers

## (ii) The Rowlatt Act:-    ↳ Gandhi → Nationwide satyagraha.

- ↳ 1919 - ① Act passed by Imperial legislative council
  - ② Gave govt. enormous power to repress political activities
  - ③ Allowed detention of political prisoners without trial for 2 years
- ↳ 6 April 1919 - Hartal started.                                    ↳ Rallies, workers went strike
- ↳ shops closed down    ↳ Local leaders were picked up from Amritsar
- ↳ M.K. Gandhi banned from entering Delhi.
- ↳ 10 April 1919 - ① Police fired upon peaceful procession in Amritsar
  - ② Attacks on banks, post office railway stations.
- ↳ Martial law imposed    ↳ General dyer took command

- ↳ 13 April - Jallianwala bagh . ↳ Baisakhi fair .
- ↳ Didn't know about martial law ↳ General Dyer came, closed
- ↳ firing ↳ killed hundreds . ↳ Objective - Create terror & awe
- ↳ News of this spread ↳ Strike, clashes, attacks
- ↳ Govt. brutal repression ↳ Satyagrahis; sub nose on ground
- ↳ Crawled on street ↳ Salaam to all sahibs.
- ↳ People of villages around Gujranwala in Punjab were bombed
- ↳ Gandhi called off satyagraha . ↳ Need of more broad movement
- ↳ By bringing Hindu-Muslim together . ↳ Khilafat issue
- ↳ Harsh treaty on Ottoman Turkey ↳ Spiritual head Khalifa
- ↳ March 1919 - Khilafat Committee [ Mhd. Ali & Saukat Ali ]
- ↳ Discussed with Gandhi . ↳ Calcutta session - Sept 1920
- ↳ Gandhi put forward idea of non-cooperation Khilafat movt.
- ↳ But denied by congress.

(ii) (i)

- Why Non-cooperation :- ↳ Hind Swaraj → Book → Gandhi → 1909 .
- ↳ Wrote - If Indian refuse to cooperate, British rule collapse and swaraj would come.
  - ↳ Stages acc. to Gandhi → ① First, Surrender of titles & awards
  - ② Then, boycott civil services, police, courts etc.
  - ③ If repression, then full disobedience .
  - ↳ Summer 1920 - Gandhi & Saukat toured & popularized movement.
  - ↳ Nagpur session - Dec 1920 - Non-cooperation was adopted.

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### Different Strands Within Movement :-

- ↳ Jan 1921 - Non-cooperation - Khilafat movement .
- ↳ Various social group participated ↳ Different people . Diff. mean swaraj .

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### The movement in The Towns :-

- ↳ Middle-class participation ↳ Students left govt. school, college
- ↳ Teacher-Headmaster resigned ↳ Lawyer gave up .
- ↳ council election Boycotted except Madras [ Justice Party (Non-Brahmin) wanted to gain power ]

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- ↳ Foreign goods boycotted
- ↳ Liquor shops picketed
- ↳ Foreign cloths burnt
- ↳ Import halved between 1921-20
- ↳ From ₹102 crore to ₹57 crore
- ↳ Discard imported cloths.
- ↳ Indian textile & handloom went up
- ↳ But slowed down.
- ↳ Because → ① Khadi expensive, poor couldn't afford to buy them.
- ② No alternative Indian institutions where students etc. would join?

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### Rebellion in Countryside:-

- ↳ from cities spread countryside
- ↳ Struggle of peasants & tribals in
- ↳ ALLIADH → Peasants led by Baba Ramchandra. [Was indenture labour-fiji]
- ↳ Movement against Talukdars & landlords
- ↳ High rents & Begar
- ↳ Peasant movement demanded - reduction of revenue, abolition-Begar
- ↳ Social boycott of oppressive landlords
- ↳ Nai, Dhabhi, Bandhs organized by Panchayat
- ↳ June 1920 - Nehru began going around villages in Rewad Kvillege talking
- ↳ By Oct - Aadh Kisan Sabha by Nehru, Ramchandra & others effort
- ↳ Within 1 month - 300 Branches
- ↳ NCM began congress to integrate
- ↳ 1921 - Houses of Talukdars & Merchants burnt
- ↳ Local leader told - Gandhi declared no tax, redistribution of Land.
- ↳ Grudem Hills of A.P. - Militant Guerrilla Movement - 1920
- ↳ Colonial govt. closed large forest.
- ↳ People couldn't enter.
- ↳ Traditional rights denied.
- ↳ Begar for road building
- ↳ Hill people revolted
- ↳ led by Alluri Sitaram Raju
- ↳ had special powers, correct prediction, survive even bullet shot.
- ↳ Rebels proclaimed he was incarnation of God.
- ↳ Persuaded people for Khadi & give up drinking
- ↳ Inspired by NCM of Gandhi but supported violence.
- ↳ Grudem rebels attacked police sta.
- ↳ Attempted to kill british officer
- ↳ 1924 - Raju captured & Executed.
- ↳ Became a folk hero.

### (iii) Swaraj in Plantation:-

- ↳ Inland Emigration Act - (1859) → Plantation workers were not permitted to leave the tea garden without permission.
- ↳ So, for them freedom meant right to move freely in or out.
- ↳ When they heard NCM, → Defied authority → Headed to home.
- ↳ Believed - Gandhi raj was coming. Everyone would be given land.
- ↳ Caught by police & beaten.

→ Feb. 1922 Chauri-Chaura massacre . Gandhi called off NCM  
     • Violent

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### TOWARDS CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE :-

- ↳ Congress - Some leaders tired .      ↳ Wanted to participate in elections.
- ↳ Election in provincial council set up by Govt. of India Act 1919.
- ↳ Oppose British policy in council      ↳ Demanding reform.
- ↳ Swaraj Party - C.R. Das & Motilal Nehru .      ↳ Argued to council politics.
- ↳ But J.L. Nehru & S.C. Bose - full independence.
- ↳ 2 Factors shaped Indian politics .
- (i) World economic depression \* Agricul. prices fall <sup>(Revenue)</sup> ↑ - export decline
- (ii) Simon Commission - (1928) → @ Tory govt.      @ Sir John Simon .
  - ① Functioning of Indian constitution system & suggest changes
  - ② No Indian member      ③ Arrived & greeted with "go back simon"
  - ④ All parties (Congress, Muslim League) etc. demonstrated .
- ↳ Oct. 1929 - Irwin offered dominion status      ↳ 1st Round table .
- ↳ Congress unsatisfied      ↳ Dec 1929 - Lahore session .
- ↳ Presidency - J.L. Nehru      ↳ Demand of 'full independence'
- ↳ 26 Jan. 1930 - independence day      ↳ Wanted a very common issue for unity.

### (i) The Salt March and The Civil- Disobedience Movement :-

- ↳ Salt common      ↳ Could unite people
- ↳ 31 Jan 1930 - Gandhi sent letter to Irwin [ 11 demands ]
- ↳ Wide ranging ideas for unity      ↳ Main demand abolish salt tax.
- ↳ Consumed by rich & poor      ↳ Essential in food .
- ↳ Letter was an ultimatum      ↳ If not fulfilled by 11 March -

- ↳ Irwin unwilling to negotiate ↳ 13 March - Salt march
- ↳ Gandhi & 78 volunteer ↳ 240 miles ↳ 24 days.
- ↳ Sabarmati to Dandi ↳ 6 April - reached violated law
- ↳ Marked beginning of Civil D.M. ↳ Refuse cooperation & break laws.
- ↳ 1000's broke salt law in diff. parts ↳ Manufactured salt
- ↳ Demonstrate in front of govt. salt factory. ↳ Liquor shops picketed
- ↳ Foreign cloths boycotted ↳ Peasant refused to pay revenue. & chaukidars
- ↳ Violated forest law ↳ Congress leaders arrested
- ↳ April 1930 - Abdul Gaffar Khan (disciple of Gandhi) arrested in Peshawar demonstration.
- ↳ Gandhi arrested - Industrial workers of sholapur violent- Brutal reprisals
- ↳ Call off - 5 March 1931 - Gandhi Irwin Pact [2<sup>nd</sup> Round T, London]
- ↳ Govt. agreed to free political prisoners ↳ Dec. 1931 - Gandhi London Conference
- ↳ Negotiations broke ↳ Returned disappointed
- ↳ J. L. Nehru & Gaffar were arrested ↳ Congress declared illegal.
- ↳ 1932 - relaunched civil D.M. ↳ 1934 - lost momentum.

### (ii) How Participants saw the movement:-

- ↳ Rich Peasants - ① Patidar - Gujarat ② Jats - U.P. active members
- ↳ Producer of commercial crops ↳ Hardship by trade depression
- ↳ Falling crop prices ↳ Cash income disappeared
- ↳ Impossible to pay govt. revenue ↳ Govt. refused to reduce revenue.
- ↳ Became supporter of CDM. ↳ Participated in boycott programme
- ↳ Disappointed when CDM called off ↳ No Reduction in revenue.
- ↳ 1932 CDM started but they didn't participated.
  
- ↳ Poor Peasants ↳ Small tenants ↳ Rented from landlords
- ↳ Because of depression difficult to pay ↳ Wanted unpaid rent
- ↳ Joined radical movement led by socialist & communists.
- ↳ Congress - unwilling to support ↳ Relation b/w congress & peasant uncertain
  
- ↳ Business class - 1<sup>st</sup> World war - Businessmen became powerful
- ↳ Against colonial policies that restricted business activities

- ↳ Protection against import of foreign goods.
  - ↳ 1920 - Indian industrial & commercial congress
  - ↳ 1927 - FICCI [Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce & industry]
  - ↳ Purshotam Thakurdas and G.D. Birla led attacks.
  - ↳ 1st BCDM - Participated & supported Financially.
  - ↳ But after failure of Round T. C. no longer enthusiastic.
  - ↳ Disruption in business.

- ↳ Industrial worker → Not more ↳ Except Nagpur
  - ↳ Against low wages & poor working condition.
  - ↳ Strikes - 1930 - Railway workers      1932 - Dock workers.
  - ↳ 1930 - Chotanagpur - 1000's of workers wore Gandhi cap ; Rallies
  - ↳ Congress didn't support.

- ↳ Women → Participated in salt tax march in high proportion.
  - ↳ Came out of houses to listen Gandhiji. ↳ Protest march
  - ↳ Manufactured salt. ↳ Went jail ↳ Urban - high caste
  - ↳ Rural - Rich peasant housewives.
  - ↳ Gandhiji's thought → Duty of mother - look after home, good mother & wife.

(iii) The limits of Civil Disobedience :-

- ↳ Untouchability:- 1930's - began call themselves dalits or oppressed
  - ↳ Congress ignored
  - ↳ Supported high class.
  - ↳ Gandhi believed - 'Swaraj would not come for hundred years if untouchability was not eliminated.'
  - ↳ He called them 'Harijans' or 'children of god'.
  - ↳ Organised satyagraha to secure them entry in temples, public well etc.
  - ↳ Cleaned toilet - dignified to Bhangi. ↳ Upper caste to change heart
  - ↳ Political leaders - demand reserved seat. ↳ Political empowerment
  - ↳ Separate electorate. ↳ Dalit participation in CDM less.
  - ↳ ~~He~~ except BR Ambedkar - 1930 - Depressed class association.
  - ↳ Clashed with Gandi in 2nd Round & C. - separate electorate.
  - ↳ British govt. conceded
  - ↳ Gandhi fast upto death

↳ Believed it would divide country. ↳ Ambedkar accepted  
 ↳ Sep. 1932 - Poona Pact. ↳ Reserved seats

↳ Muslim: → After failure of NCM-Khilafat movement felt alienated from Congress.

↳ 1920's - Congress associate Hindus. ↳ Supported Hindu Mahasabha

↳ Communal clashes. ↳ Distance b/w communities.

↳ 1927 - Practice of Negotiation b/w Congress & Muslim League.

↳ Representation problem. ↳ Muslim - wanted reservation.

↳ Representation in dominant part (Punjab & Bengal)

↳ 1928 - All resolved. O.M.R. Jayakar strongly opposed compromise.

↳ No support in CDM ↳ Feared - their culture would submerge.

#### (4) The Sense of Collective Belonging :-

↳ feeling of same nation - collective Belonging. ↳ Allegory - Bharat Mata

↳ 1871 image - Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay - wrote Vande Mataram [1871]

↳ His novel - Anandmath. ↳ Widely sung in Swadeshi movement [Bengal]

↳ Abanindranath Tagore → Bhartmata → calm, composed, divine spiritual figure.

↳ Nationalism through revive - folkloric. ↳ Folk tales seen by barrels.

↳ toured village to gather folk song & legend. ↳ Picture of traditional culture

↳ Bengal → Rabindranath Tagore - Collect - Nursery rhymes, myths.

↳ Madras → Natesa Sastri - 4 volm collection - Tamil folk - The Folklore of Southern India.

↳ Swadeshi movement Bengal - Tricolor flag - lotus - crescent moon

↳ 1921 - Gandhi - Swaraj flag → Tricolor - spinning wheel / self help

↳ Indians - started writing about glorious history of India in science, mathematics, art, philosophy etc. → Unified people

↳ March 1942 → Cripps mission.

↳ 14 July 1942 - Quit India resolution

↳ 8 Aug. 1942 - Bombay → Gandhi declare - 'Do or Die'

↳ People participated, Jayapaksh Narayan, Atma Ram, Asaf Ali, Raja Mohan Lal

↳ Women part → Matangini Hazra [Bengal], Kanchitabala Banu [Assam]

Ram Devi [Odisha].