

An Ideal Ruler

Chapter 8: An Ideal Ruler · Topic 1

Key Concept

Shivaji Maharaj was known for his religious tolerance, respecting and protecting people of all religions within his kingdom.

He implemented welfare policies that cared for farmers, protecting them from excessive taxation and unfair treatment.

Shivaji was known for his justice system, ensuring fair treatment of his subjects regardless of their social status.

His qualities as a ruler - courage, wisdom, tolerance, and care for his people - make him remembered as an ideal king even today.

Quick Revision Notes

- Shivaji known for religious tolerance.
- Respected, protected all religions.
- Welfare policies cared for farmers.
- Protected them from excessive taxation.
- Known for fair justice system.
- Treated all subjects fairly, regardless of status.
- Qualities: courage, wisdom, tolerance, care.
- He's remembered as an ideal king today.

Practice Questions

- 1 Research an example of Shivaji's religious tolerance.
- 2 Discuss Shivaji's welfare policies for farmers.
- 3 Discuss Shivaji's approach to justice.
- 4 List qualities that made Shivaji an ideal ruler.
- 5 Discuss why these qualities matter for any leader.
- 6 Write a short paragraph on Shivaji as a ruler.