

Rise and Spread of Islam

Chapter 2: Rise and Spread of Islam · Topic 1

Key Concept

Prophet Muhammad began preaching Islam around 610 CE in Mecca, teaching belief in one God (Allah) and following the Quran, Islam's holy book.

After facing opposition in Mecca, Muhammad and his followers migrated to Medina in 622 CE, an event called the Hijra, marking the start of the Islamic calendar.

Islam spread rapidly after Muhammad's death through both peaceful conversion and military conquest, reaching from Spain to India within a century.

Islamic civilisation made significant contributions to mathematics, medicine, astronomy, and architecture during its Golden Age.

Quick Revision Notes

- Islam emerged in the 7th century CE in Arabia.
- Prophet Muhammad founded Islam.
- He began preaching around 610 CE in Mecca.
- Islam teaches belief in one God (Allah).
- The Quran is Islam's holy book.
- The Hijra (622 CE) was migration to Medina.
- Islam spread rapidly after Muhammad's death.
- Islamic civilisation contributed to science and architecture.

Practice Questions

- 1 Research Prophet Muhammad's life.
- 2 Discuss the significance of the Hijra.
- 3 Research an Islamic contribution to science.
- 4 Explain how Islam spread across regions.
- 5 Discuss the Quran's role in Islam.
- 6 Create a timeline of early Islamic history.