

Foundation of the Mughal Empire

Chapter 7: Foundation of the Mughal Empire · Topic 1

Key Concept

Babur, a descendant of both Genghis Khan and Timur, defeated Ibrahim Lodi at the First Battle of Panipat in 1526, establishing Mughal rule in India.

Babur's early reign faced challenges, but he successfully established control over parts of northern India before his death in 1530.

Babur's son, Humayun, faced significant challenges maintaining the empire, including a period of exile before recovering the throne.

The Mughal Empire would later grow into one of India's largest and most influential empires under later rulers like Akbar.

Quick Revision Notes

- Babur founded the Mughal Empire in 1526 CE.
- He won the First Battle of Panipat that year.
- He defeated Ibrahim Lodi.
- Babur descended from Genghis Khan and Timur.
- He established control over parts of northern India.
- Babur died in 1530.
- His son Humayun faced challenges, including exile.
- The empire later grew significantly under Akbar.

Practice Questions

- 1 Research Babur's early life.
- 2 Discuss the First Battle of Panipat.
- 3 Research Humayun's challenges.
- 4 Explain Babur's ancestry.
- 5 Create a timeline of the Mughal Empire's founding.
- 6 Discuss why 1526 is significant in Indian history.