

Civil Disobedience Movement

Chapter 8: Civil Disobedience Movement · Topic 1

Key Concept

The movement began in 1930 with Gandhi's famous Salt March (Dandi March), protesting the British salt tax by making salt illegally from seawater.

Civil disobedience involved deliberately breaking specific unjust laws, like the salt tax, while accepting the legal consequences peacefully.

The movement spread across India, with people breaking various colonial laws and boycotting British goods and institutions.

Though the movement did not immediately achieve independence, it significantly increased international awareness of India's freedom struggle.

Quick Revision Notes

- Movement began 1930 with Salt March (Dandi March).
- Protested British salt tax.
- Gandhi made salt illegally from seawater.
- Civil disobedience: deliberately breaking unjust laws.
- Accepted legal consequences peacefully.
- Movement spread, people broke various laws.
- Also boycotted British goods, institutions.
- Increased international awareness of freedom struggle.

Practice Questions

- 1 Research the Salt March (Dandi March) in detail.
- 2 Discuss what civil disobedience means.
- 3 Discuss why the salt tax was significant to protest.
- 4 Research the movement's spread across India.
- 5 Discuss the movement's impact internationally.
- 6 Explain civil disobedience in your own words.