

**1. "SEPOY MUTINY MARKS A TURNING POINT IN THE HISTORY OF INDIA". DISCUSS THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE REVOLT OF 1857 IN THE LIGHT OF THE STATEMENT.**

**Ans:** The revolt of 1857, the first ever organized resistance movement against British suzerainty in India, was indeed a turning point in the history of India. It led to unforeseen changes in the system of administration and the policy of the British Government.

The Company rule came to all-time end and the administration of British-India was taken over by the British Government. Queen's Proclamation issued on November 1, 1858 gave effect to such direct control.

The series of annexation and expansion ended and the dignity and rights of the Princely states were assured.

The British-India territory became a paramountcy of British Crown.

The Army was restructured to meet the demands of the changing ambience.

However, it led to the aggravation of hatred and suspicion between the Indian and the English.



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