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Assess the role of British imperial power in complicating the process of transfer of power during the 1940s.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2019 · GS I · 15 marks · Modern Indian History

Modern Indian history from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present - significant events, personalities, issues.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

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Cripps Mission, 1942

War-time offer of post-war dominion status with a provincial opt-out, rejected by Congress and unsatisfactory to the League.

Cabinet Mission, 1946

Three-tier union plan whose grouping clauses and later British statements deepened distrust.

Direct Action Day, 1946

Muslim League hartal that opened a wave of Calcutta and later Bengal-Bihar killings.

3 June Plan, 1947

Mountbatten plan that accepted partition and set 15 August as the transfer date.

Radcliffe Line

Hastily drawn Punjab and Bengal boundaries announced around Independence, with mass displacement.

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