

HISTORY NOTES FOR 7<sup>TH</sup> CLASS (FOR ISLAMABAD)

**UNIT # 4 (MUSLIMS IN SOUTH ASIA DEHLI SULTANATE)**

**SHORT QUESTIONS**

**Briefly describe the role of Allauddin Khilji as a ruler.**

- Alauddin Khilji ruled as Sultan of Delhi from 1296-1316 AD.
- He proved himself the greatest warrior.
- In his reign, Mongols invaded India seven times, but he defeated them.
- He made very strong policies.

**What were the two most important achievements of Razia Sultan?**

1. She brought many reforms to the administration. She was a skilled diplomat.
2. She attacked the enemy territories and merged them with sultanate.

**Enlist personal traits of Qutbuddin Aibak which made him founder of Slave Dynasty.**

- As a ruler he was strict, but very just and pious.
- He showed kindness and tolerance to non- Muslim subjects of the country.
- He built many famous buildings at Delhi.

**What, in your opinion were the three main factors responsible for the decline of Delhi Sultanate?**

1. There was no law of succession. Death of a Sultan normally resulted in civil war.
2. No effective means of communication to have control over extended empire.
3. Poor administration led to wide-scale corruption.

**What is message of Sufism?**

- Sufism is based on concept of love of Allah.
- Sufism promotes inner purity, meditation, love and selfless devotion, charity, overthrow of passions, and regret of sins.

**LONG QUESTIONS**

**Evaluate the role of Mehmud Ghaznavi and Sultan Muhammad Ghauri for paving the way of Muslim rule in subcontinent.**

**Mehmood Ghaznavi:**

- His invasion played an important role in the spreading of Islam in India.
- His conquests paved the way for the Muslim conquest of India.
- He did not consolidate his empire and that's why empire fell in the hands of weak successors.

**Sultan Muhammad Ghauri:**

- He was determined to establish Muslim rule in South Asia.
- He fought many battles and succeeded too.
- In a battle, he was severely injured and forced to retreat.

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**How did the impacts of the battle of Tarain change the history of India?**

- Muslim occupation of India could never be wiped out
- Disunity of Indian princes was exposed
- The Muslims were far superior to the Indian army in military skills and weapons
- The battle of Tarain paved the way for foundation of the Muslim rule in India

**In your opinion who was the best ruler of Delhi Sultanate?**

- In my opinion Muhammad Bin Tughluq was the best ruler of Delhi sultanate.
- He was the most trusted Generals of Alauddin Khilji.
- He also proved his skills by successfully defending against Mongols.
- He ruled the sultanate skillfully and peacefully.
- He also built a strong fort called Tughluq-abad near Delhi.

**Analyze the causes of downfall of Delhi Sultanate.**

1. There was no law of succession. Death of a Sultan normally resulted in civil war.
2. No effective means of communication to have control over extended empire.
3. Poor administration led to wide-scale corruption.
4. Nobles rebelled against weak rulers.
5. Regional states became very powerful.
6. Taimur's attack was a big blow to the rulers of Delhi.