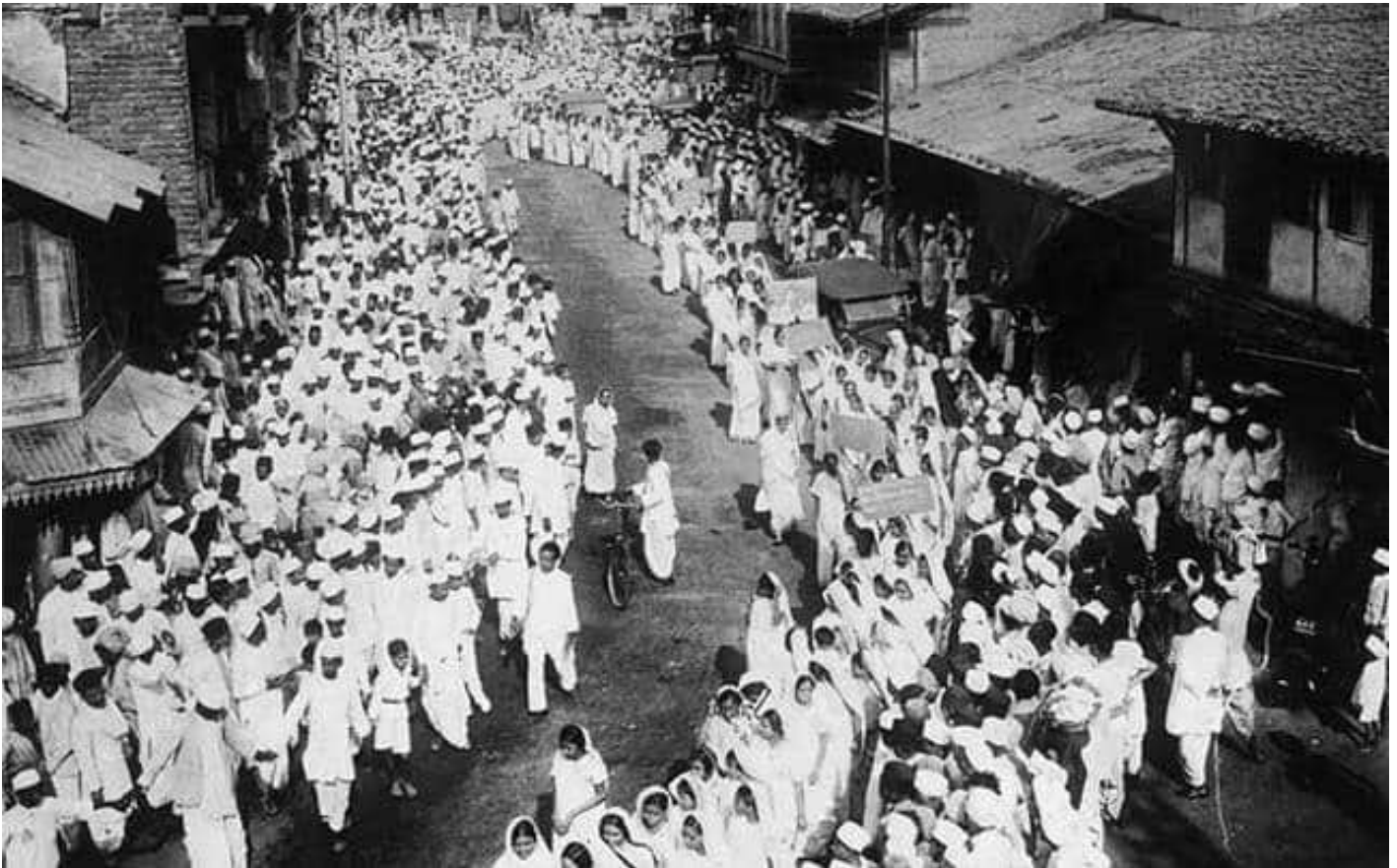


Quit India Movement Day 2023

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About Quit India Movement Day

- Every year Quit India Day is **observed on August 8 to commemorate the occasion.**
- This year marks the **81st anniversary of the event.**

What is the Quit India Movement?

- The Quit India Movement, also known as the **August Movement** or **Bharat Chodo Andolan**, was a significant **civil disobedience movement launched by Mahatma Gandhi and the Indian National Congress on August 8, 1942 at Gowalia Tank Maidan** also known as **August Kranti Maidan in Bombay.**
- On this day, **August 8th, in 1942, Gandhi gave the famous “Do or Die” speech**, urging the Indian people to act decisively and nonviolently against British rule.

- **Reasons:**

- While factors leading to such a movement had been building up, **matters came to a head with the failure of the Cripps Mission.**
- The **failure of the Cripps Mission** made **Gandhi realise that freedom would come only if Indians fought tooth and nail for it.**
- The **movement aimed to demand an end to British colonial rule in India** and **achieve full independence.**

- **Mass Protests:**

- The movement saw **widespread protests, strikes and acts of civil disobedience** across the country.
- People participated in **marches, demonstrations, and various forms of nonviolent resistance.**
- **Women played a vital role** in the Quit India Movement, displaying immense courage and leadership.
- During the movement, **parallel governments were set up in Ballia** (Uttar Pradesh), **Satara (Maharashtra), Tamluk (West Bengal), and Talcher (Odisha).**
- **Numerous arrests were made following the protest.** Many **top leaders of Congress, including Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel,** were also arrested.

Q1) What is the Cripps Mission?

The Cripps Mission refers to a diplomatic initiative sent by the British government to India in March 1942, during World War II. The mission was led by Sir Stafford Cripps, a senior British politician and government minister. The primary objective of the Cripps Mission was to secure India's support for the British war effort in exchange for self-governance and political concessions.

Source: [Quit India Movement: History, significance and interesting facts](#)

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