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Independence Special Edition

For many years, history of India was written through a Western, colonised way of thinking, which shaped how events were explained and understood, and also affected how we think about our country today. This also meant many stories felt incomplete. Today, we celebrate the chance to share our history in our own words.

We are the Foundation for Indian Historical and Cultural Research (FIHCR). We help discover and appreciate our country's rich history, fascinating traditions and awesome leaders.

Are you aware of our YUVA programme? If you are between 6 and 18 years old, YUVA is designed for you! Our goal is to make history fun for you. Every three months, with this e-magazine, we let you peek into history. We will explore exciting, hidden parts of India and learn about lesser-known brave heroes and leaders who helped build our nation.

Get ready to learn and enjoy yourself!

Message from the Founder

FIHCR was created with a purpose to encourage India to rediscover its own narrative with sincerity and rigour. Our children deserve stories that breathe with life, stories that speak of imagination, courage, scholarship, and heritage. When young minds engage with history through inquiry and wonder, they shape a future rooted in strength and clarity.

YUVA celebrates that spirit. It gives students the chance to explore unfamiliar paths, ask fearless questions, and discover their own relationship with the past. This work carries immense joy because history is never static. There is always something new to discover.

Thank you for being part of this journey of learning and rediscovery.



DR. VIKRAM SAMPATH

Founder & Director, FIHCR
Author, Historian, Fellow of the Royal
Historical Society, UK



Greetings, fellow explorers!

I am Kavi, the sharp-eyed crow who has watched India's story unfold from the skies for centuries.

And let me tell you something, some of the bravest people I have seen in all my years of flying across India were women.

Queens, warriors, revolutionaries and even grandmothers! When the country called, they answered.

In this edition, we are flying across India to meet some extraordinary women who challenged British rule. Our journey is packed with stories of courage, clever strategies, and fearless resistance. We will fly across battlefields, peek into letters and diaries, tune in to a live report, and I will be hosting a special talk show! You can also try your hand at exciting activities, riddles, and challenges to test what you discover along the way.

Finally, the Teacher's Corner will take us to Sivaganga to explore the story of Queen Velu Nachiyar and her fearless commander, Kuyili. Discover this lesser-known freedom fighter, whose courage often remains hidden in the pages of history.

So, spread your wings, fellow explorers! We have stories to uncover, heroes to meet, and a whole lot of history waiting for us. Keep your eyes sharp, your curiosity ready, and see how much you discover along the way!

-Kavi, Chief Explorer



A Royal Letter Has Arrived from 1824!



Caw! Caw! Fellow Explorers, look what I found! I was flying over Kittur, Karnataka, when a very special letter caught my eye. And guess who wrote it? Rani Chennamma herself! I tucked it safely under my wing and flew across time to bring it straight to you. Well, what are you waiting for? Open the letter and read Rani Chennamma's story in her own words!

My brave young friends,

I wonder how many years will pass before this letter finds its way to you. Perhaps the Kittur of your time will look very different from the one I lived in.

You may already know my name. Let me share how my journey began.

Long before I became the Rani of Kittur, I was an ordinary girl, born in the village of Kakati. As a young girl, I learned to ride horses, shoot arrows, and wield a sword. Little did I know that one day, these very skills would help me defend my kingdom.

One day, while I was out hunting, Raja Mallasarja witnessed my courage. We were soon married, and I took my place as the Rani of Kittur. As a queen, I became deeply involved in the affairs of the kingdom, listening to the concerns of my people and learning how to protect the land we all loved. These experiences prepared me for the difficult years that followed.

After my husband passed away, Kittur faced challenging times. As there was no natural heir to the throne, I adopted a young boy named Shivalingappa to continue the royal line. But the British officials refused to accept our right to choose an heir and tried to seize Kittur.



What would you do if someone tried to take away your home?

Would you remain silent?

I could not.

In 1824, Kittur stood against the British forces. My soldiers and people fought bravely, and we won the first battle. For a brief moment, our fort glowed with lamps and echoed with the sounds of victory.

Once again, the British returned with a much larger army, and the people of Kittur fought with all their courage. This time, however, our fort was captured. I was taken prisoner to Bailhongal Fort.

Prison walls could hold me, but they could not imprison the spirit of Kittur. Others continued the resistance, and the hope of freedom lived on.

Perhaps that is why my story has found its way to you.

You may never have to defend a fort. But there will be moments when you must decide whether to remain silent or to stand up for what is right.

When that moment comes, I hope Kittur's spirit and resilience inspire you to take action.

*With courage,
Kittur Rani Chennamma*



Your Turn: A Letter Back to Kittur!

*Rani Chennamma's letter has travelled nearly 200 years to reach you.
Now, imagine you could send a reply back to Kittur in 1824.*

What would you write to her?

Dear Rani Chennamma,

Your story taught me _____

If I could meet you, I would ask _____

I promise to show courage by _____

Sincerely,



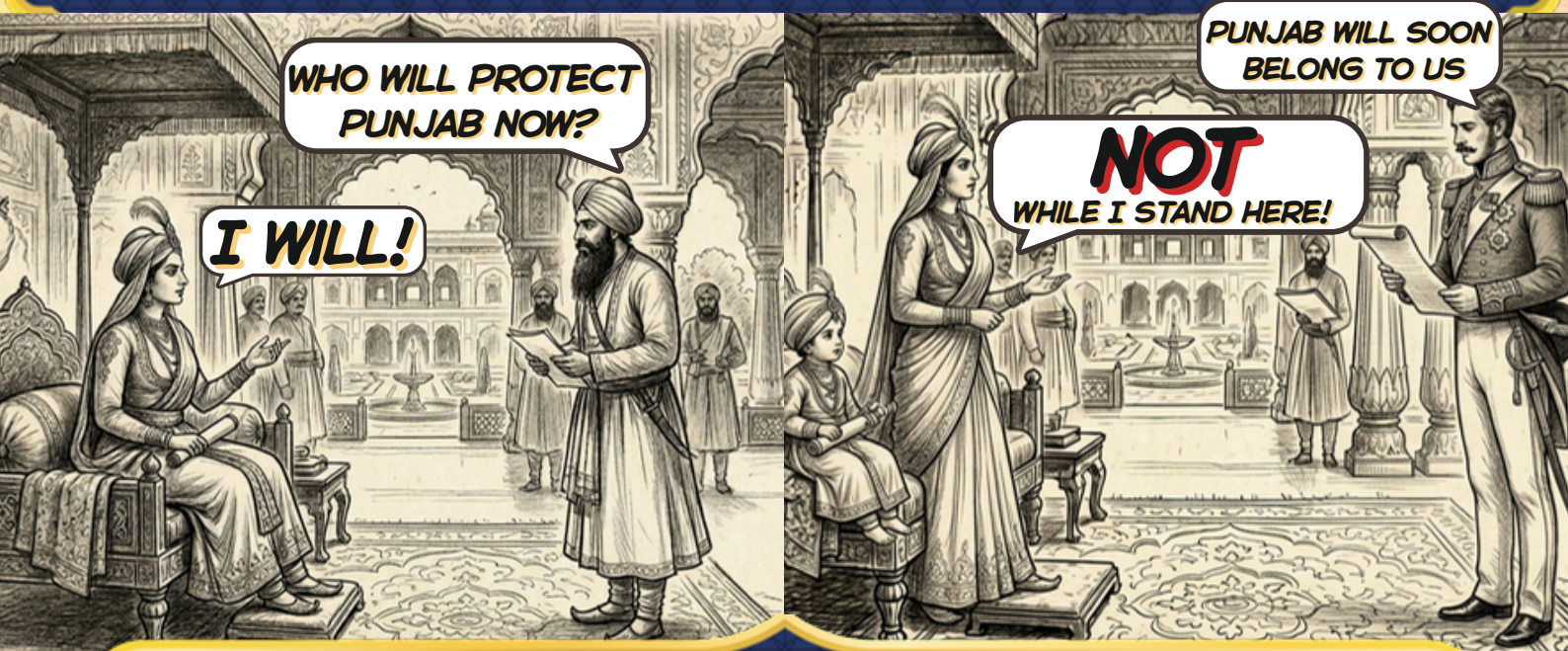
*Sign your name and send your words flying back
through time with Kavi!*

The Lioness of Punjab Who Roared Against the British

A kingdom under threat and a young Maharaja on the throne. The British are closing in. At the heart of it all stands Rani Jind Kaur, Queen Regent of the Sikh Empire, who refuses to be silenced.

Watch her story unfold, one frame at a time!

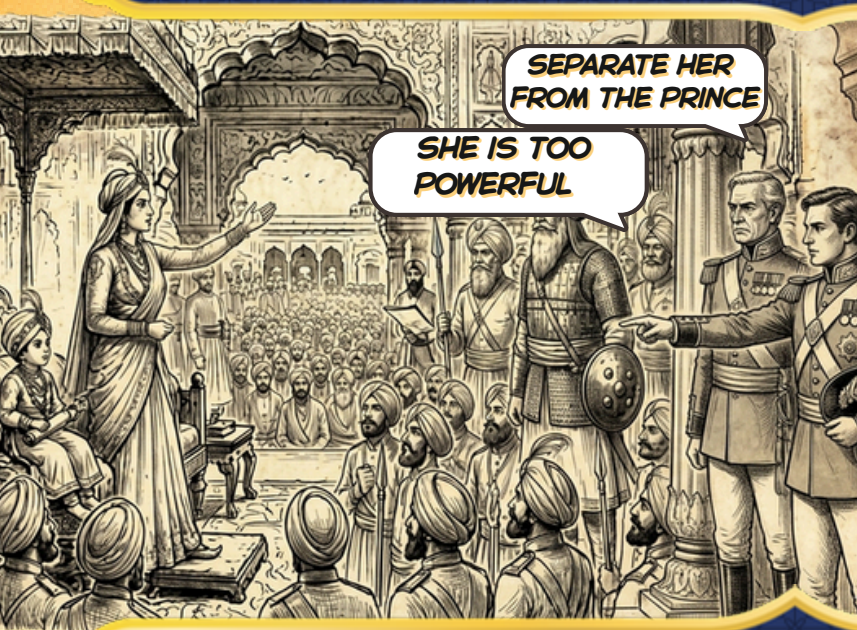
The Sikh empire is in danger after Maharaja Ranjith Singh's death. Rani Jind Kaur became regent for her young son, Duleep Singh. However, the British saw her as an obstacle.



As the Iron Lady of Punjab, Rani Jind resisted the British with courage. She mobilised the khalsa army to defend Punjab's freedom.



The British were intimidated by her diplomacy and influence over the people. They called her 'the Rebel Queen of Punjab'. Determined to crush Punjab's resistance, the British imprisoned her at the Sheikhpura fort in 1847



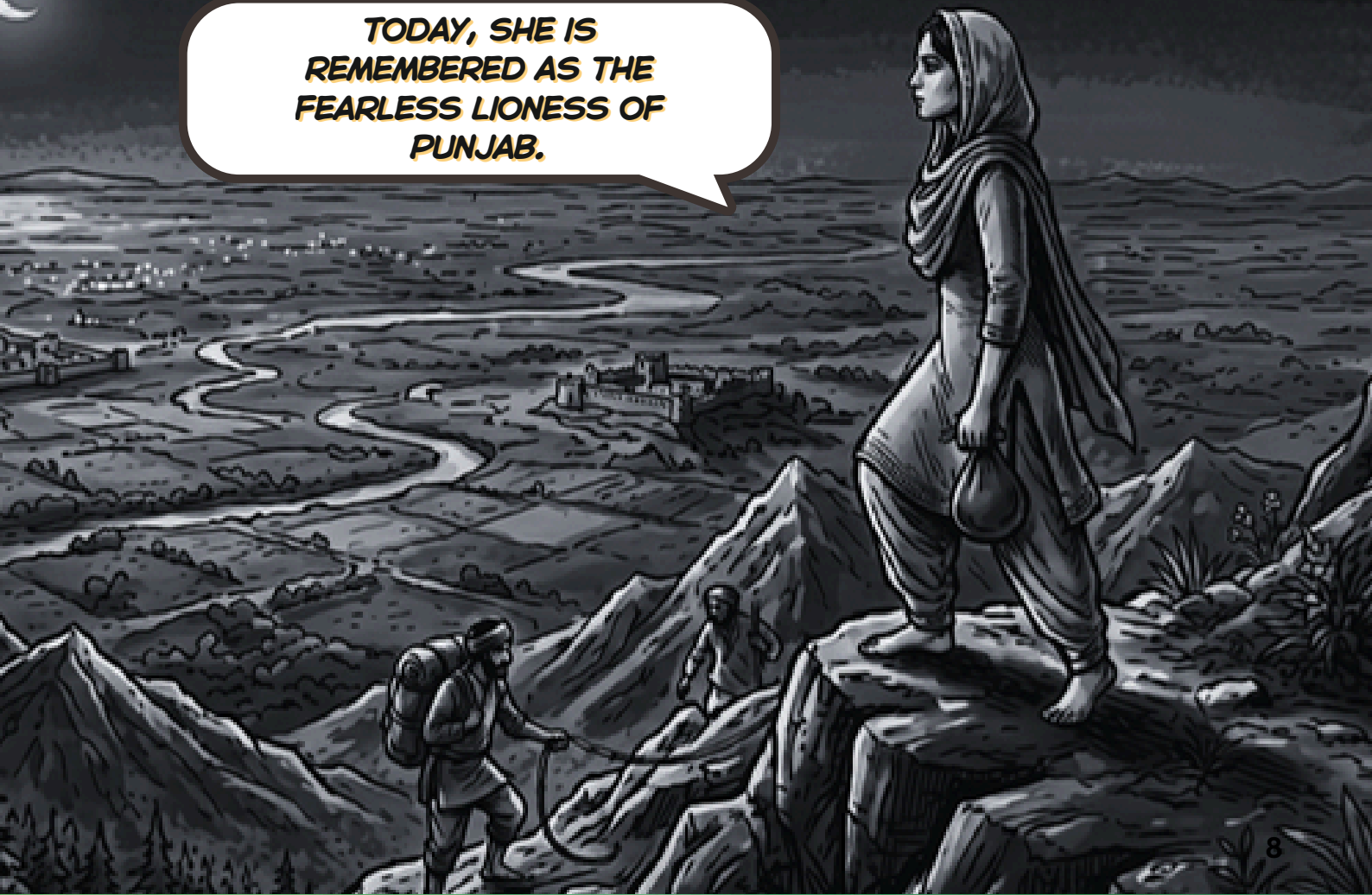
In 1849, she was shifted to the high-security Chunar Fort, near Varanasi, where she remained captive till April 1849.



Disguised as a servant, she escaped British imprisonment, proving that neither chains nor walls could break her spirit. The Villagers secretly helped her travel hundreds of miles towards Nepal, where she spent 13 years of her life in exile.



**TODAY, SHE IS
REMEMBERED AS THE
FEARLESS LIONESS OF
PUNJAB.**



You are the Regent!

A regent may not wear the crown, but they still carry the responsibility that comes with it.

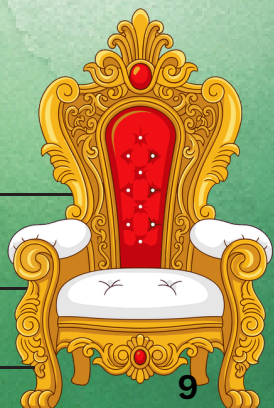
Your kingdom is facing a difficult situation, and everyone is waiting for your decision.



What would you choose?

1. Stay silent and avoid conflict
2. Leave the kingdom in someone else's hands
3. Step forward, lead and protect your kingdom

Why did you make this choice?





Look Up! There's a Warrior in the Tree!

The year is 1857, and I am flying over the skies of Lucknow. Hmm... that giant pipal tree at Sikandar Bagh in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh looks like the perfect place to rest.

Wait... what is happening down there? I hear gunshots! British soldiers are firing at Indian revolutionaries.

Hold on... did something just move in these branches? Is there someone climbing this tree with a sniper?! Looks like it is a soldier... but wait... is that a woman?!

Could it be Uda Devi Pasi? The fearless Veerangana, whose bravery everyone in Lucknow has been talking about?

Oh! Look how silently she's settling among the leaves, dressed as a man, her sniper steady and ready. She takes aim and Bang! One British soldier falls... then another... and another! Oh my feathers, she's unstoppable! Around 30 soldiers have been brought down, and none of them thinks to look up at this very tree. The British are scrambling around, searching for the mysterious sniper. They look everywhere, but not here!

Oh no... they have finally spotted her! They are firing at her! Uda Devi is shot!!

The British rush towards her, in triumph, only to freeze in shock. As they remove her helmet, they are stunned to discover that the mysterious sniper who outsmarted them was not a man at all, but the brave Uda Devi.

What a warrior!
She proved that courage
isn't measured by gender
but by the strength to
stand for what is right,
even against impossible
odds.





Times of Colonial India

Live from Kheri: The Queen of Ramgarh Strikes Back!

This is Kavi reporting live from the battlefield of Kheri in Madhya Pradesh! I am perched safely on a tall banyan tree, and what a sight I can see!

Leading a troop of brave warriors is Rani Awanti Bai Lodhi. She seems fearless and determined, standing up to the massive forces of the East India Company. Wait... something incredible is happening!

The Queen is riding through her army, calling on everyone to fight for their motherland. And now... the battle has begun!

The British soldiers expected an easy victory.

Oh! How wrong they are!!

Rani Awanti Bai's army is fighting with courage and clever strategy. Launching a surprise attack, they have pushed the British back.

The British forces are retreating! Yes, you heard that right!! The Battle of Kheri has become a remarkable victory for the Queen and her brave warriors. Cheers are rising across the battlefield as the people celebrate this victory.

The British are retreating, and Kheri is roaring with victory!
What a battle and what a queen!



Battlefield Rapid-Fire Quiz

Think you followed Kavi's report closely? Let's find out!

1. Where is Kavi reporting from?
a. Kittur b. Kheri c. Lucknow d. Awadh
2. How many warriors is Rani Awanti Bai leading?
a. 1,000 b. 2,000 c. 4,000 d. 10,000
3. Which strategy helped Rani Awanti Bai's army push the British forces back?
a. A surprise attack c. Crossing a river at night
b. Hiding inside a fort d. Using war elephants



Dear Diary, Today I raised a Flag that carried India's Dream



Did you know that the national flag of India, which we proudly wave today, wasn't always the same? One of the first versions of India's flag was unfurled by the brave freedom fighter Bhikaji Cama at the second International Socialist Congress, an event held in Stuttgart, Germany, on August 22, 1907. Imagine reading a journal entry by Madam Cama about the historic moment when she proudly unfurled India's flag on foreign soil.

Date: 22 August 1907

Place: Stuttgart, Germany

It will forever remain one of the most memorable days of my life. Before delegates from many nations, I had the honour of unfurling the flag of my beloved India. Holding that flag in my hands, I felt the immense responsibility of representing millions of my countrymen who continued to suffer under British rule.

This morning, as I looked out at the peaceful streets of Stuttgart, my thoughts travelled to my distant homeland. I remembered the bustling streets of Bombay, the hardworking farmers, the mothers praying for their children's safety, and the countless people silently enduring injustice. Though I was far away, my heart belonged entirely to India.

Before leaving for the conference, I looked once more at the flag. To many, it might have appeared to be nothing more than a piece of cloth, but to me it represented the hopes, sacrifices, and dreams of millions who longed for freedom. I prayed that I would have the courage to fulfil my duty with honour.

The conference hall soon filled with delegates from different countries. I realised that while many admired India's rich civilisation, only few understood the hardships faced by her people under British rule.

When I stepped onto the stage, I spoke about India's glorious past and her painful present. Then came the proudest moment of my life. With great reverence, I unfurled the flag of India before the gathering and declared, "This is the flag of India's independence. I appeal to all of you to honour it by standing up." For a brief moment, silence filled the hall. Then, one by one, the delegates rose to their feet, and the hall echoed with applause.

I know greater hardships may lie ahead, but I have no fear. Even if I do not live to see India free, I firmly believe that future generations will continue this struggle. Until then, I shall devote every breath of my life to the service of my beloved motherland.



Match the Symbol to the Freedom Fighter

Every freedom fighter is remembered for something special she carried, used or is associated with...

a sword, a flag, a tree or even a torch. Match the given freedom fighters to their respective symbols.

Column A



Column B

Rani Chenamma



Uda Devi



Bhikaji Cama



Rani Jind Kaur



PRITILATA WADDEDAR

The 21-Year-Old Revolutionary Who Led an Attack on British Power

In 1932, the British still controlled India. In Chittagong (present-day Bangladesh), a young woman named Pritilata Waddedar was getting ready for a mission that would make her one of the bravest revolutionaries in India's fight for freedom.

Pritilata grew up in a middle-class family and was an excellent student. She later became a schoolteacher. However, she could not overlook the humiliation and oppression suffered by Indians under British rule. Determined to fight for her country's freedom, she joined the revolutionary group led by the well-known freedom fighter Surya Sen, known as Master-da.



Another young revolutionary in the group was Kalpana Datta. She worked closely with Surya Sen and helped plan various revolutionary activities. Kalpana was supposed to take part in the attack on the Pahartali European Club. Unfortunately, she was arrested by the British before the operation and could not participate. Despite this setback, the plans she contributed to were crucial for the mission.

The target was the Pahartali European Club near Chittagong. The club became a symbol of British racial discrimination due to a sign that reportedly read, "Dogs and Indians Not Allowed." For many Indians, the club represented the arrogance and unfairness of colonial rule.

On the night of 23 September 1932, Pritilata led a group of armed revolutionaries toward the club. Disguised in male clothing to avoid suspicion, she skillfully directed the operation. As European officials and their families gathered inside, the revolutionaries surrounded the building and launched their attack using firearms and explosives. Panic spread through the club as gunshots rang out and windows shattered. Several people inside were injured as the revolutionaries struck what they viewed as a symbol of British oppression.

As the group began to pull back, British forces responded. During the exchange of fire, Pritilata was severely wounded by a bullet. She knew that if captured, she would face questioning that could endanger her comrades and the revolutionary movement.

Prepared for such a situation, she carried a vial of cyanide. Refusing to surrender to the British, Pritilata took the poison and died shortly after. She was only 21 years old.

Though the attack did not bring an end to British rule, it became a strong symbol of resistance. Pritilata Waddedar's bravery inspired many young Indians, especially women, to join the struggle for independence. Alongside revolutionaries like Kalpana Datta, she showed that the fight for freedom was not limited by age or gender. Today, she is remembered as one of the most fearless heroes of India's freedom movement.



GAIDINLIU PAMEI AKA RANI GAIDINLIU

Leader, Heraka Movement Zeliangrong Community (1931-32)

- Took over leadership at just 16 years old after the death of mentor Haipou Jadonang
- Brought villages together to work towards the preservation of the indigenous traditions and resist colonial interference.
- Encouraged people to protect their culture and traditions.
- Inspired others to be brave, even during difficult times.

Freedom Fighter Indian Anti-Colonial Resistance (1931-32)

- Led resistance against British colonial rule.
- Solved problems under pressure.
- Never gave up, even after being arrested.
- Spent 14 years in prison but stayed committed to helping her people.

Community Leader & Cultural Advocate Independent India (1947-1993)

- Worked for the welfare and development of tribal communities.
- Promoted preservation of indigenous customs and traditions.
- Encouraged education, peace, and social harmony.
- Continued advocating for the Heraka faith and Zeliangrong cultural identity.

Hello! I'm Rani Gaidinliu.

If life were a video game, the toughest quest for me would have unlocked at Level 16.

The mission? Protect my people, preserve our traditions, and stand up to one of the world's largest empires. There were no cheat codes, no pause button, and no extra lives- only courage, quick thinking, and teamwork.

Every challenge taught me that great leaders don't wait until they're older. They step forward when others need them most.

ALMA MATER

The Great Outdoors, Longkao Village, Manipur

There were no classrooms, homework, or report cards. My teachers were my elders, my community, the forests, and the challenges of the world I was born into. I learned by listening, observing, practising, and helping others every day.



Tamra Patra (1972)

Padma Bhushan (1982)

Vivekananda Seva Award (1983)

Stree Shakti Puraskar (1991)

Bhagwan Birsa Munda Puraskar (1996, Posthumous)

Can you find out who conferred the awards received by Rani Gaidinliu?

ENDORSE A SKILL

You've viewed Rani Gaidinliu's profile. Which skill would you endorse her for?

- Leadership
- Courage
- Resilience
- Community

Choose one and write one example from her story that supports your answer.

I chose _____ because



TALK SHOW: REBELLION AGAINST THE RAJ



in **CAW**NVERSATION WITH MATANGINI HAZRA

Episode: The Grandma who Slayed

Host: Kavi

Guest: Matangini Hazra

(A fierce, 73-year-old freedom fighter from Tamluk, West Bengal)



KAVI: What's up, fellow explorers? Welcome to my talk show "Rebellion Against the Raj". Today, we are coming to you straight from colonial Bengal, and our guest is someone who proved that bravery doesn't have an age limit. Please welcome the legendary : Matangini Hazra!

MATANGINI: Namaskar, Kavi. It is wonderful to see the people of a free India.

KAVI: Namaste Matangini-ji! Or should I call you Gandhi Buri? Where did your awesome nickname come from?

MATANGINI: You can call me Gandhi Buri! The people of my village gave me that name because I followed Mahatma Gandhi's path. When he called for the Non-Cooperation Movement, I participated by spinning my own Khadi cloth on the charkha.

Can you find out what 'Buri' means in Bengali?

KAVI: Oh, I see! You were 73 years old during the Quit India Movement in 1942. Most people at that age just want to live peacefully. What made you lead a massive protest march of 6,000 people to take over the local police station?

MATANGINI: Kavi, when you have no freedom, you don't feel old. Instead, you feel angry. The British government crushed our spirits completely by exploiting us. On September 29, 1942, we marched to take back our town. The crowd was huge, mostly women and young students just like you.

KAVI: But the police were armed, right? Didn't you want to run away?

MATANGINI: Never. The crowd hesitated and I knew they needed me. Someone had to show courage. I stepped forward, lifted the Indian tricolour flag high above my head, and kept walking.

KAVI: And what happened next?

MATANGINI: What do you think? The police fired. A bullet hit straight on my right hand. My arm went numb so I swapped the flag to my left hand and kept marching forward, shouting "Vande Mataram!"

KAVI: Even after getting shot?

MATANGINI: They shot me a second time, in the left arm. I still did not drop it. I thought: "If this flag touches the ground, it means the British won." I held the flag tight against my chest with whatever strength I had left. A third bullet hit my forehead. As I fell to the ground, my final breath was just those two words: Vande Mataram. But the flag stayed upright until the very end.

KAVI: Jai Hind. You will always be remembered. Vande Mataram.



THE BRAVE GIRL OF GOHPUR

Kanaklata Barua was a 17-year - old freedom fighter from Assam.

During the Quit India Movement in 1942, she led a procession carrying the Indian flag towards the Gohpur police station. When British police opened fire, she was martyred while proudly holding the tricolour, becoming a symbol of courage and patriotism.



*Kanaklata woke at the break of
day, Tied her hair and ran away.
Not to laugh and not to play,
But to drive the British far away!*

*She held the tricolour shining bright,
Like a rainbow full of light.
People marched and drums were loud,
Voices echoed all through Gohpur.*

*"Do or Die!" the brave hearts cried,
And little Kanaklata walked with pride.*

*The soldiers warned, "Go back! Don't
dare!" But freedom danced in the air.
She smiled and said, "This flag will
fly, Even if today I die."*

*Then came a gunshot, loud and fast.
But Kanaklata stood till last.
She fell but still held the flag up high,
Touching the clouds in the sky.*

*And even now, the winds still say:
"Brave Kanaklata leads the way."*

CLUES FROM THE PAST

In this game, you will get three clues about a freedom fighter. You have to read the clues carefully and guess who she is.



Riddle 1

*I was a teacher, young and bright,
At 21, I joined a fight.
I led a mission one dark night,
Against a club that denied our right.
Who am I?*

Riddle 2

*From forest hills, I rose with pride,
Against an empire, I would not hide.
Though young in age, my spirit was free,
A "Rani" without royalty.
Who am I?*

Riddle 3

*A queen, but I did not just sit on a throne,
I travelled village to village, never alone,
I gathered my people to fight for their own.
Who am I?*

Riddle 4

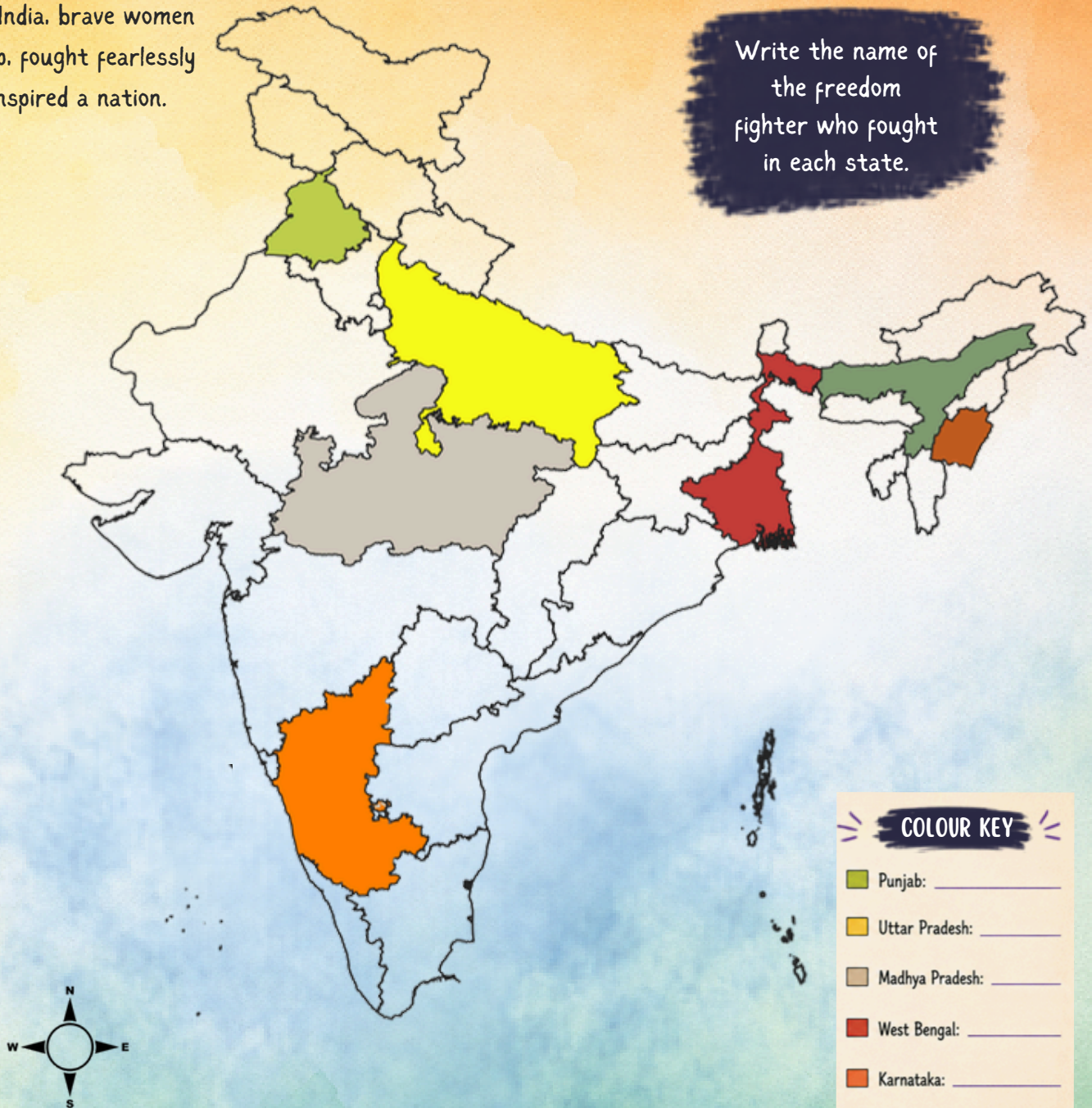
*They called me Grandma, dressed in simple white,
I switched hands when bullets took my right,
I fell, still holding the flag up tight.
Who am I?*



MAP THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM!

Across India, brave women stood up, fought fearlessly and inspired a nation.

Write the name of the freedom fighter who fought in each state.



COLOUR KEY

- Punjab: _____
- Uttar Pradesh: _____
- Madhya Pradesh: _____
- West Bengal: _____
- Karnataka: _____
- Manipur: _____
- Assam: _____

CLUES

* Rani Chennamma | Rani Jind Kaur | Uda Devi | Rani Awanti Bai Lodhi | Matangini Hazra | Rani Gaidinliu | Kanaklata Barua *



TEACHING ITIHAS

History Beyond Textbooks

When students are taught about resistance to colonial rule, they often focus on famous leaders and battles. Yet, history is rarely shaped by one person alone. Behind every well-known leader, there are others whose efforts cannot be overlooked, even if their names are not widely remembered today. An interesting story comes from eighteenth-century Tamil Nadu. Velu Nachiyar, the queen of Sivaganga, lost her kingdom when it was captured by forces working with the British East India Company. Instead of giving up, she spent many years building alliances and preparing to win back her land. Throughout these years of struggle, one of her closest supporters was Kuyili, a trusted commander known for her courage and loyalty. According to widely told accounts, Kuyili carried out a daring mission that destroyed a British ammunition depot, weakening enemy forces and helping Velu Nachiyar's army gain a crucial advantage. Thanks to the efforts of loyal supporters such as Kuyili, Velu Nachiyar eventually regained her kingdom, becoming one of the earliest Indian rulers to challenge the East India Company successfully. Stories like these continue to remind us that history is not just about kings, queens, battles and dates. It is also about the countless people whose bravery, hard work, and sacrifices often get neglected. To help students connect this idea to their own lives, try a 'Hidden Hero Project' in the classroom. Ask your students to think about someone in their school, neighbourhood, or family whose work helps others but often goes unnoticed. It could be a grandparent, a sanitation worker, a bus driver, a librarian, a caretaker, or anyone whose contribution makes a difference in their lives.

They can briefly explain:

Who is this person?

How do they help others?

Why is their contribution important?

Encourage the class to reflect on a broader question: How many important people in history might have been forgotten simply because their stories were never recorded?

By connecting Kuyili's story with the hidden heroes around them, students can understand that history is shaped not only by famous figures but also by the many individuals whose efforts often go unnoticed but have a lasting impact on the world around us.



BOOK REVIEW

Mega Cool Leaders: Five Rulers who Rocked India

Review by Roopa Baliga, House Full of Books



“Mega-Cool Leaders: Five Rulers Who Rocked India” by Pradeep Chakravarthy and illustrated by Megha Vishwanath. Published by BluOne Ink in collaboration with FIHCR YUVA. An insightful book that talks about five inspiring people from India’s rich past and how they helped to shape it with their extraordinary contributions.

This captivating collection has the stories of five visionaries from different parts of India. It provides a journey through time and uncovers the incredible lives of these leaders who played a pivotal role in shaping India’s history. From Lalitaditya Muktapida, who envisioned the dream of a united and prosperous Bharat while bringing about unprecedented glory to Kashmir, thereby putting it on the map, to Krishnadevaraya, whose rule made Vijayanagara a strong cultural and political powerhouse in South India and left behind a lasting legacy. Lachit Borphukan, whose defence of Assam from the Mughals is the stuff of legends, to Chhatrapati Shivaji, whose revolutionary path led to the establishment of Hindavi Swarajya. Ahilyabai Holkar, whose compassionate leadership led to Indore transforming into a thriving kingdom.

SCAN ME



The book not just explores how these rulers made their mark in history through their military triumphs but also reveals their wisdom, struggles and dedication. Their legacies continue to inspire generations and offer timeless lessons in various qualities like resilience, courage and visionary leadership. The engaging narrative includes interactive activities and quizzes for both children and parents. Read the interesting book to embark on a journey through time and uncover the stories of these incredible rulers from different parts of India.

The book is a cool way to introduce/talk about the mega cool leaders to younger readers. Narrated in an engaging manner, which includes dialogues in the case of some leaders and their trusted companions like Krishnadevaraya and Tenali Rama or Ahilyabai Holkar and Tukoji Rao, the book proved to be quite interesting and engrossing for me and my eleven year old son. While some of the leaders like Shivaji and Krishnadevaraya may be well known, memories of others have been forgotten or confined to the regions that they ruled. It is heartwarming to see them getting their due recognition. The immersive activities are quite creative and fun. The book tries to make the readers experience and think about what it takes to be a ruler like the ones they are reading about. Sources used to write these stories have been mentioned at the end of each of them, along with books that can be read to know more. These leaders definitely changed the course of history and left behind an everlasting legacy. Some of their iconic monuments last to this day and showcase their glory. Overall, a perfect book for everyone eager to explore more of Indian history.

Recommended Age: The book is apt for anyone aged 10 and above.

YUVA RECOMMENDS

Exploring Stories that Shaped our Past

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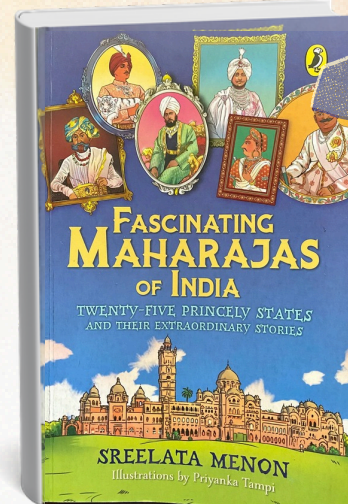
Mega Cool Leaders: Five Rulers who Rocked India by Dr Pradeep Chakravarthy

Discover the leadership, courage, and vision of five extraordinary Indian rulers—Ahilyabai Holkar, Krishnadevaraya, Lachit Borphukan, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, and Lalitaditya Muktapida.

Fascinating Maharajas of India

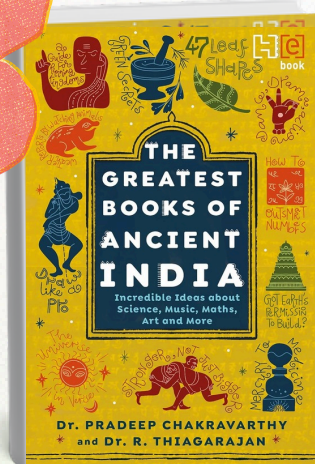
by Sreelata Menon

Discover 25 remarkable rulers from princely states across India who contributed to education, architecture, and cultural heritage. The book offers a glimpse into legacies of India's royal past and royals who shaped it.



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The Greatest Books of Ancient India by Dr Pradeep Chakravarthy

Discover fourteen ancient Indian books that transformed science, mathematics, medicine, architecture, and the arts.

The Blue Horse and Other Amazing Animals from Indian History

by Nandini Sengupta

Discover the stories of incredible animals that left an unforgettable mark on India's history and legends. The book offers a journey to the past seen through the eyes of its extraordinary witnesses.



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ANSWERS

Battlefield Rapid-Fire Quiz

1. b- Kheri
2. c- 4000
3. a- A surprise attack

Match the Symbol to the Freedom Fighter

1. Rani Chennamma- Sword
2. Uda Devi- Peepal tree
3. Bhikaji Cama- Flag of Indian Independence
4. Rani Jind Kaur- Sikh Empire flag

Clues from the Past

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Riddle 4- Kanaklata Barua

Map the Fight for Freedom

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Madhya Pradesh: Rani Awanti Bai Lodhi
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Karnataka: Rani Chennamma
Manipur: Rani Gaidinliu
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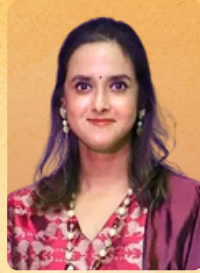
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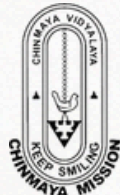


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