

Maratha Empire



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- The Maratha Empire or the Maratha Confederacy was a power that dominated a large portion of the Indian Sub continent in the 18th Century
- Shivaji(1627-1680) was a Maratha aristocrat of the Bhonsale clan who is the founder founder of Maratha Empire.
- The empire formally existed from 1674 with coronation of Shivaji Maharaj as Chatrapati and ended in 1818 with the defeat of Peshwa Baji Rao II by British East India Company.
- **Battle of Khed** (October 1707) **between Shahu and Tarabai.**



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HIGH TIDE OF THE MARATHA EMPIRE JULY 1759



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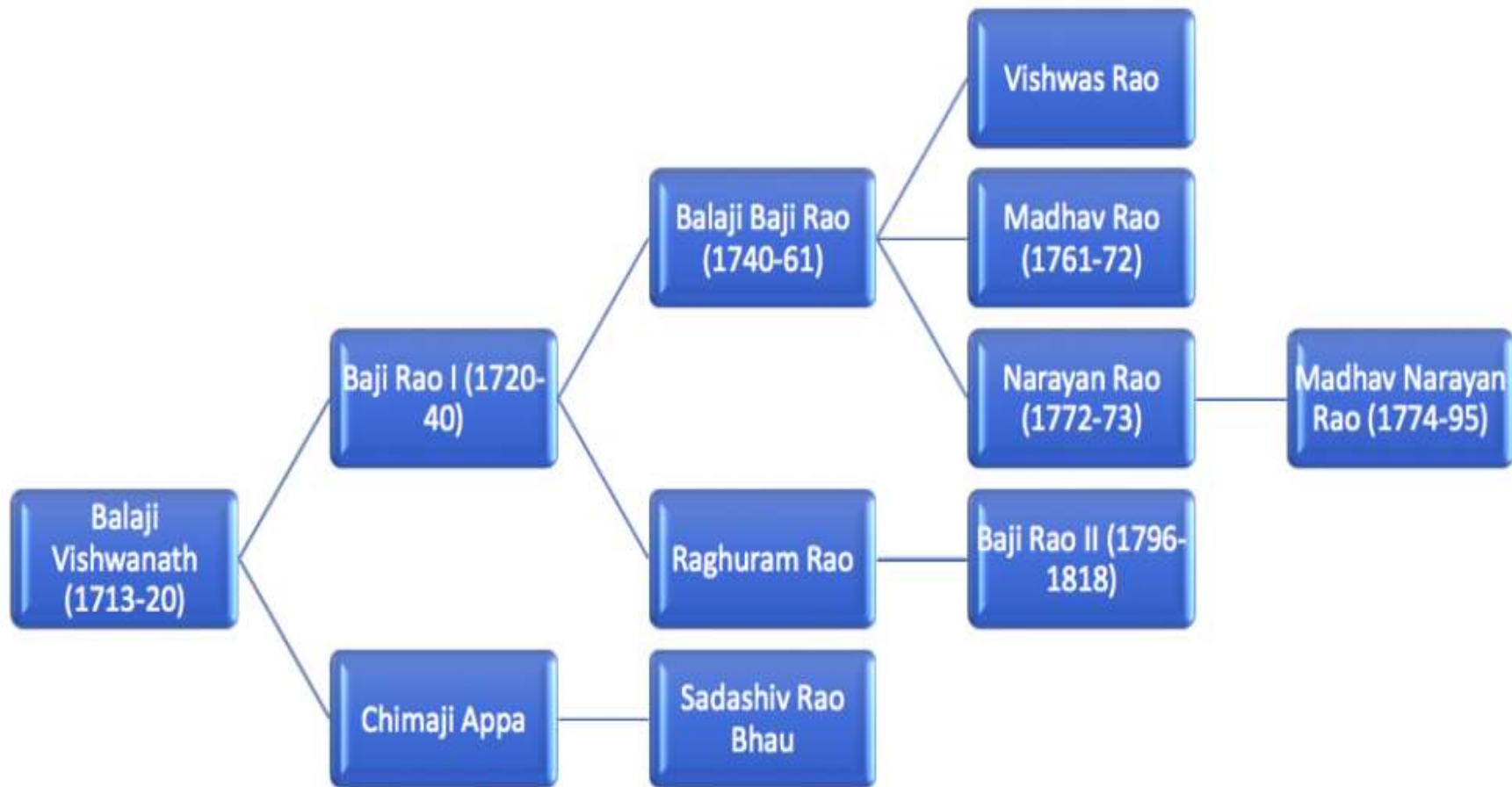
- 1) After Mughal Empire declined the Marathas got the chance to raise in power.
- 2) In Third battle of Panipat 1761 Marathas lost to Ahmad Shah Abdali which changed their situation.
- 3) The important Maratha families are
 - a) Gaekwads of Baroda
 - b) Bhonsles of Nagpur
 - c) Holkars of Indore
 - d) Scindias of Gwalior
 - e) Peshwa of Poona

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- The important peshwas of Maratha empire are Bajirao-I(1720-40) & Madhavarao-I(1761-72).
- The peshwas are like prime ministers of maratha Empire
- **1) Peshwa Balaji bajirao:**
 - died due to heart attack after the loss in 3rd battle of panipat in 1761.
- **2) Madhavrao Peshwa:**
 - Died in 1772 and his brother Narayan Rao became the peshwa from 1772 onwards.
- **3) Ragunathrao:**
 - August 1773 assassinated Narayanrao and became peshwa between 1773-1774.
- **4) Sawai madhavrao(or) Madhavrao II:**
 - He was the posthumous son of Narayan rao and ganga bai , he was considered as legal heir by maratha chiefs led by Gana Phadnavis.
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First Anglo Marartha war



- **The first Anglo-Maratha war(1775-82)** was fought between the British east India Company and Maratha Empire.
- Rangunath rao was unwilling to give up his position of power, sought help from the british at bombay and signed **Treaty Of Surat on March 1775.**
- According to the treaty, Rangunath rao ceded the territories of salsette and Bassein to the british, along with part of revenues from surat and baruch districts.
- **In return, the british promised to provide Raghunathrao with 2500 Soldiers.**
- **Warren Hastings was governer general of bengal.**
- **Treat of Purandar 1776.**



- **The treaty of Salbai** was signed on 17 may 1782 by the representatives of the Maratha Empire and the British EIC after long negotiations to settle the outcome of the First Anglo-Maratha war.
- It was signed between Warren Hastings and Mahadaji Scindia.
- The War begin with the **Treaty of Surat 1775** and ended with **Treaty of Salbai 1782**.
- Pairs not correct
- A) The Gaekwads at baroda
- B) The Holkars at Indore
- C) The Scindias at Poona
- D) The Bhonsles at Nagpur

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Second Anglo Maratha War(1803-05)



- The Governor general during Second Anglo Maratha War is **Lord Wellesley**.
- **Battle of Poona(25 October 1802)**
- Yaswanthrao Holkar, the chief of holkars of indore defeated peshwa i.e baji rao II.
- The Bajirao II fled to bassein where on Dec 1802 where he signed a treaty with English which is called treaty of Bassein.
- The **Treaty of Bassein** was a pact signed between British EIC and BajiRao II after the Battle of Poona.
- The treaty was a decisive step in the dissolution of Maratha Empire.

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Post Second Anglo-Maratha war

- Large Parts of India Came under British Control,
- Peshwa Accepted Subsidiary Alliance
- Defeated Bhonsle (Treaty Of DeoGaon-1803)
- Defeated Scindia (Treaty Of Surji-Anjangaon – 1803)
- Defeated Holkar (Treaty of Rajghat – 1803)
- Third Anglo Maratha War Took place during...? (**WHWH**)
- A) Warren Hastings
- B) Lord Wellesley
- C) Lord Hastings
- D) Lord Curzon

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PINDARIS



- They Used to help Marathas in wars, but after 2nd Anglo-Maratha war the Marathas left Pindaris and they became Jobless and they started looting and robberies.
- When English(Under Governer General Hardings) Started attacking Pindaris the Marathas became one and for protection of their self respect the 3rd Anglo Maratha War Started.

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Third Anglo-Maratha War(1817-18)



- This is also called as Pindari War.
- Formal end of Maratha Empire.
- After 3rd Anglo Maratha Empire Peashwaship was abolished and Bajirao II was sent to small place called Bithur(kanpur) in 1818 and was kept on Pension.

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