



# COMPANY TO CROWN

(1757-1857)

ESSAYS ON COLONIALISM IN INDIA

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## Culture and Society during Colonial Rule

Somaila Warsi

Colonial rule has a far reaching effect on a native country's society and culture. These influences from the mother country on the society and culture of the native country get so deeply ingrained that they retain their effect even long after the political and administrative control has ended and the native country has become independent.

The British Empire in India is the most striking example in the history of the world of the domination of a vast territory and population by a small majority of a foreign race. Though on the surface both the conquest and the administration of the native country may look exceptional, but they are always in the interest of the conquerors and not for the native population. Colony is always made for draining the wealth of conquered area and not for the general good as proclaimed by the colonial rulers though some common good may happen naturally.

### **COLONIAL JUSTIFICATION**

#### *Colonialism And Missionaries*

The term colony can also be substituted with the establishment of 'empire', the term 'empire' derived from Latin word 'Imperium', contains at least three overlapping senses: a limited and independent rule, a territory embracing more than one political community, and the absolute sovereignty of a single individual. All three