



MEDIEVAL INDIA

The Vijayanagara Empire

Hampi and the glory of the Deccan
(1336–1646)

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SUBJECT
History



Agenda

01

Introduction

02

Background

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Events

04

Impact



**One of the richest cities
in the world once stood
among the boulders of
Hampi.**

Why it matters

Key dates

1336

Founding

The empire begins

1565

Talikota

Major defeat

1509–1529

Krishnadevaraya

Golden age

1646

End

The empire fades

Hampi

A fortified city among granite hills.

Temples, bazaars, tanks and royal enclosures spread across the landscape, now a World Heritage Site.



Map / illustration

Causes and conditions

01

Trade

Ports and spice routes.

02

Irrigation

Tanks and canals for farming.

03

Defence

Strong forts and army.

Who was involved



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Founders

HARIHARA AND BUKKA

Established the kingdom.



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Krishnadevaraya

EMPEROR

Patron of arts and literature.



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Merchants

TRADERS

Spices, gems and horses.

Before and after

Before

- Scattered Deccan kingdoms
- Frequent raids
- Local markets

vs

After

- A strong southern empire
- Rich trade network
- Grand temple architecture

Legacy

01

Architecture

Hampi's temples.

02

Literature

Telugu and Kannada
works.

03

Water systems

Tanks still in use.

Discussion questions

- ▶ Why was Hampi so wealthy?
- ▶ What happened after Talikota?
- ▶ How did geography help defence?
- ▶ What can we learn from its water systems?



History lives on

Thank you for listening.

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