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Ans. Kingdoms annexed on the basis of 'Doctrine of Lapse' were: Satara (1848), Sambalpur (1850), Udaipur (1852), Nagpur (1853) and Jhansi (1854).

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Ans. The Company on its part declared that the unjust demands of the local officials were ruining the trade of the Company, and trade could flourish only if the duties were removed.

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Ans. Company officials who managed to return Britain with wealth led flashy lives and flaunted their riches. They were called "nabobs" – an anglicised version of the Indian word nawab.

Q5. How Plassey got its name?

Ans. Plassey is an anglicised pronunciation of Palashi and the place derived its name from the palash tree known for its beautiful red flowers that yield gulal, the powder used in the festival of Holi.