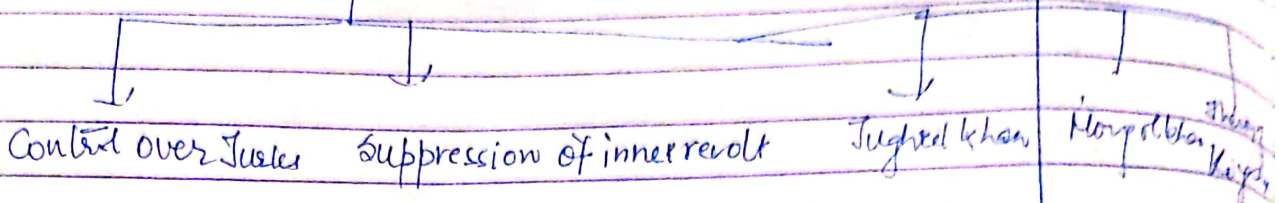


Work of Balban:



Control over Turks:

A) Balban killed all the contenders of the throne. B) In this, he also moved to end the supremacy of CHALSIK as he knew that they would form a battle for him. C) So he appointed his trusted person on the key post.

- (a) He crushed the young and ambitious lords and
- (c) In this process he weakened himself

Balban's action in Mewat: Due to the fear of Mewati people feared. Huge forest supported the bandits. Balban pursued 'Blood and Iron' policy to end the menace of the Mewati.

He led an expedition and crushed their resistance. Forests were cleared and he erected forts and built checkpost to look after the law and order.

Revolt of Jughal Khan

Balban faced several revolt from Jughal Khan. He was subedar of Bapat. He declared himself independent from the Delhi. It was challenged to the authority of Delhi. Balban couldn't accept allow this. So he sent Governor of Awarh to quell the revolt. But he failed to defeat. This enraged Balban who got Governor killed and marched towards Bapat.

He not killed Jughal but unleashed a reign of terror and appointed his son

BULBUL KHAN

Invasion of Bengal: Northwest was challenge to the Emperor of Delhi. He paid attention towards it and built forts and repaired the old one. Military camps were set up. Bhojhan was appointed to protect the areas.

Balban's theory of kingship

He was the first ruler who ~~able~~ formulated theory of kingship. He was influenced by the Persian ruler. He declared himself the descendant of Afrasiyab and adopted the title of Nisbhat Khudai.

He gave preference to royal blood and believed in pomp and show. He didn't allow his nobles to laugh publicly.

Military System: He increased the ^{numerical} ~~number~~ strength of the army. They were trained and efficient. Their training and salaries were directly observed by the ruler. Land was given to the military officers but revenue was collected by the state official - system of DABIT or branding of the horse was started during his reign.

Administrative reforms: He restructured the app. administrative system. The power and authority of Wazir was reduced. He didn't possess the military and economic power. He directly appointed his officers and kept surveillance over them. He also advised the nobles to act courteous with the subject.