



Grade: IV

Lesson 2 The story of Rani Abbakka Chowta

1. How would you describe Rani Abbakka?

Rani Abbakka Chowta was the first Tuluva Queen of Ullal who fought the Portuguese in the latter half of the 16th century. She belonged to the Chowta dynasty. She belonged to the Chowta dynasty who ruled over parts of coastal Karnataka (Tulu Nadu), India.

2. Why did the Portuguese want to capture Ullal?

The Portuguese made several attempts to capture Ullal as it was strategically placed. But Abbakka repulsed each of their attacks for over four decades.

3. What were the achievements of Rani Abbakka?

Rani Abbakka who is also known as Abbakka Mahadevi was the first queen of Ullal. Known for her unwavering bravery, she was one of the first Indians to rebel against colonial forces and was the first woman to have battled the Portuguese in the second half of the sixteenth century.

4. What is the history of Rani Abbakka?

Early life. From a young age, Rani Abbakka Chowta was trained to be a good ruler. She was taught how to wield a sword and how to fight with one, military strategies, archery, diplomacy and other subjects on what

was needed to make a kingdom run. She ruled over a kingdom that consisted of mainly Hindus and Muslims.

5.What did the Portuguese trade with the Indians?

The Portuguese aim was to control the pepper trade of south India, the spice trade of the Moluccas, the sandalwood trade of Timor, and the coastal trade of western India and the northern areas of the Indian Ocean via the cartaz passport system, whereby Asian traders were forced to call at Portuguese ports to pay duties ...

6.When was Rani Abbakka crowned?

Rani Abbakka Chowta was the first female freedom fighter that India has seen. She was the first Tuluva Queen of Ullal (present-day Mangalore) and was crowned queen of Ullal by her uncle Tirumala Raya in 1525, as the Chowta's followed a matrilineal system.

7.Who among the following fought the Portuguese army and came to be known as Abhaya Rani?

This story is of Rani Abbakka Chowta, who was the first Tuluva Queen of Ullal. She fought against the Portuguese in the 16th century. She belonged to the Chowta dynasty who ruled over parts of coastal Karnataka, India.