

SOURCE A**The Indian cotton industry**

At first the East India Company and the British Parliament discouraged Indian production of cotton goods in order to encourage the growing cotton industry in Great Britain. British policy developed during the nineteenth century to allow Indian people to grow raw cotton in order to supply material for the cotton factories of Great Britain. Orders were sent out to force Indian skilled workers to work in the East India Company's factories. The East India Company was given legal powers to control production in the villages and communities of Indian weavers. Very high tariffs excluded Indian silks and cotton goods from Great Britain but British goods were admitted into India free of duty.

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SOURCE B

A railway accident in India in the nineteenth century



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