

SOURCE A**The Defence of India Act 1915**

The Defence of India Act came into force in 1915 for the duration of the First World War and for six months after it. The Act gave the Governor General special powers to ensure the safety of the people and the defence of the British Empire in India. Public servants were given powers to uphold the law. Violation of the Act was punishable with fines, prison sentences of up to seven years and death for offences considered to be terrorism or plotting against the British Government.

From a website on the history of India

SOURCE B

An entrance to Jallianwala Bagh, Amritsar



A photograph of an entrance to Jallianwala Bagh, which is largely unchanged since 1919

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