

Sem (4)
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Rise of the Modern West - II

2nd Transforming Phase of Europe: 17th Century Crisis

Crisis in Social Sphere, Political and economic;

Essential Reading - Cipolla Carlo: Before

the Industrial Revolution European Society and

Economy

Peace
Reeduction
and its
consequences
had integrated
relation
with 17th
century
crisis

End of 16th Century with old ideas, state system, Economy and Politics; Conflict between 16th c- philosophy and 17th century - new ideas; influenced the entire horizon of society - it has become so deep-rooted that it is difficult for European countries to exist/survive within 16th c. framework.

Economy: 17th c. Economic crisis had tremendous effect on various states of Europe. Dominance of Netherland and England was very much evident.

During this century the hegemony of Italy, Portugal and Spain came to a close and overwhelming dominance of Britain, France and Netherlands began due to colonial preoccupation, P. 12.

Crisis of Population in England West Mediterranean
Countries had a ~~population~~ loss of Population

Brandel, Laduri, Peter Cletz (Historians) opined great Economic transformation brought a root change in entire economic sphere. Gradual loss of population was one of the foremost reason for Economic crisis followed by great Economic change. Question arises was it the root point of 17th c. crisis?

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Agrarian Crisis - There is no simplistic explanation of A.C. Germany; Major part of Germany was suffering from loss of Population

Agrarian Crisis and Shifting of Focus from Med. to North and North-Western Europe

CHANGE In Commercial Progress / Rise of Capitalism and its aftermath, and the most debatable question regarding Capitalism Vs Period of Transformation.

In 14th c. Feudal Crisis - followed by Economic decline? emergence of new economy through Capitalism - all resulted in a drastic transformation between 15th and 17th c. (Period of transition from Feudalism to Capitalism)

Arrival of Karl Marx Theory: Maurice Dobb has transmitted it from theory of Marx to historicity or introduced a new era of Marxist History

Theory of Baenner: Advancement of England 17th c. Witnessed significant change
This change brought phenomenal change in formation of State a

English Civil War (Was it a Bour. Rev?)

According to Eric Hobsbawm, Christopher Hill, 17th c. prepared platform for Enlightenment Theory, it witnessed a phenomenal change in economy, politics & entire formation of state system. All these basic changes after a series of incidents ushered a new era / new system of pol / economic background culminating a new era.

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Relevant lectures for exploring different topics of Modern West (Europe) will be followed with historical chronology

Readings Maurice Dobb

Studies in the dev. of Capitalism

Meenaxi Phukan The Rise of Modern West