GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE, PARKAL DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY FIELD TRIP TO AMARADHAMAM

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Government Degree College, Parkal, Department of History, visited Amaradhamam, the memorial that marks the sacrifices of the people of Telangana for Independence, on December 20, 2021, with B.A. students.

<u>India</u> became independent on August 15, 1947, from British rule. But Hyderabad state was under Nizam rule. So the people of Hyderabad began a civil revolt, agitating for a merger with the Indian Union. Decrying the orders of the Nizam government, the residents of Parkal and

surrounding villages planned to hoist the Indian national flag on September 2, 1947, to celebrate independence, and gathered together at a place called Chapalabanda in Parkal to hoist the flag of India.



A patriotic desire to hoist the national flag in Parkal resulted in a brutal massacre committed by the Razakars. An official of the Nizam's government, Ziauallah Khan, warned the public to disperse. But the public went ahead with the programme. Irked by the defiance, police opened fire against the unarmed public, leading to the deaths of 22 people. India's Prime Minister <u>P.V.</u> Narasimha Rao deemed the Parkala massacre the "**Jallianwala Bagh** of the South."

In memory of the martyrs, Political Senior Leader Chennamaneni Vidyasagar Rao built a memorial called 'Amaradhamam' at Parkal.



Outcome of the Field Work:

- 1. Students realised the importance of the Parkal massacre in the history of the liberation of Telangana.
- 2. Students are inspired by the spirit of the struggle.
- 3. Students understand how the common people were treated during Nizam's rule.

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