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- Warren Hastings and the Regulating Act of 1773
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- Swadeshi Movement and Partition of Bengal (1905-1911)



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