



CHOLAS (850-1279 A.D.)

Karikala cholas - 200 A.D.

Imperial Cholas - 850- 1279 A.D.

VIJAYALAYA - Captured Tanjore in 850 A.D.

FOUNDER

A Feudatory of Pallavas

ADITYA- (871-907 A.D.)

Later Cholas defeated both Pallavas and weakened Pandyas

PARANTAKA I - 900 A.D.

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RAJARAJA I (990-1020 A.D.)

- Destroyed Chera NAVY
- Attacked Quilon/ Srilanka and annexed its northern part.
- Attacked Madurai, Maldive Island
- Captured Pandyan king
- Defeated Ganga and Vengi.
- Built RAJARAJESHWARA TEMPLE / BRIHADESHWARA TEMPLE-TANJORE
- His Guru - KARUVARUR



RAJENDRA I (1030-1050 A.D.)

- Conquered Odisha, Andaman, Burma, Bengal, Gangaikondacholapuram
- Wiped out Chera and Pandyan dynasty
- He crossed Ganga and defeated 2 local kings
- He assumed the title- GANGAI-KONDA-CHOLAPURAM, to commemorate the event.
- He built new Capital- GANGAI-KONDA-CHOLAPURAM
- Can be called SAMUDRAGUPTA of that time.

RAJADHIRAJA

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KULLOTUNGA

RAJARAJAA II

RAJENDRA III (1246-79 A.D.) - Last Chola ruler.

THE CHOLAS (850-1279)-

- ❖ The Cholas and later Chalukyas clashed for the overlordship of Vengi , the Tungabhadra doab, N-W Karnataka.



- ❖ But neither side was able to gain control over there.
- ❖ Last chola ruler was Rajendra III
- ❖ Later, the place of Cholas was taken by PANDYAS

THE CHOLAS ADMINISTRATION:-

- KING has all the authorities with himself.
- A COM to advise him.

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- EMPIRE was divided into MANDALS (Provinces).
- MANDALS into VALANADUS (COMMISSIONARY) and NADUS (DISTRICTS)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT - Basic feature of Cholas Govt.

Land-Revenue and Trade-Taxes were the main sources of income.

Image-Making , reached its climax with dancing form of Shiva called NATARAJ.

TEMPLE ARCHITECTURE was at its peak

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