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## The rise of the Communist Party of China

When the Japanese invaded China in 1937, the Guomindang retreated. The long and exhausting war weakened China. Prices rose 30 per cent per month between 1945 and 1949, and utterly destroyed the lives of ordinary people.

### **Factors**

. Rural China faced two crises

### (a) Ecological Factors:

- Soil Exhanstion
- Deforestation
- Floods

### (b) Socio – Economic Factors

- Exploitative land-tenure systems
- Indebtedness
- Primitive Technology
- Poor Communications

The CCP had been founded in 1921, soon after the Russian Revolution. Mao Zedong (1893-1976), who emerged as a major CCP leader, took a different path by basing his revolutionary programme on the peasantry. His success made the CCP a powerful political force that ultimately won against the Guomindang. In 1949, Communist Government was established in China and began a new age in the history of China.