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TOPIC : - THE EUROPEAN POWERS IN INDIA

The Portuguese : Vasco da Gama A Portuguese first discovered a sea route to India via the *cape of good hope* in 1498.

Portuguese were the first to establish political power in India along with the West coast .

They conquered Goa and made it the centre of their commercial and political power in India .

Goa became free from the Portuguese rule in 1961.

THE DUTCH : Dutch were the next to reach India in 1595 and the Dutch East India company was formed after a few year . The Dutch started controlling the spice trade in Indonesia . Dutch establishing trading factories in masulipatnam, Calicut and Surat .

First Dutch East India company was established in 1602 AD .