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History

Nazism and the Rise of Hitler

Question 1.

What was the verdict of the Nuremberg Tribunal? Why did the Allies avoid harsh punishment on Germany?

Answer:

Under the shadow of the Second World War, Germany had waged a genocidal war, which resulted in the mass murder of selected group of innocent civilians of Europe.

Nazis devised an unprecedented means of killing people, that is by gassing them in various killing centres. The Nuremberg Tribunal sentenced only eleven leading Nazis to death. Many others were imprisoned for life. The punishment of the Nazis was for short of the brutality and extent of their crimes.

The allies did not want to be as harsh on defeated Germany as they had been after the First World War because they realised that the rise of Nazi Germany was the result of the humiliation Germany had to face after the First World War.

Question 2.

Give a brief description of Hitler's foreign policy.

Answer:

(i) When Hitler came to power he was determined to make Germany a great power again and to dominate Europe. His foreign policy was guided by this.

(ii) He got quick success in his foreign policy. He pulled out of the League of Nations in 1933, reoccupied the Rhineland in 1936, and integrated Austria and Germany in 1938 under the slogan, One people One empire One leader.

(iii) He then went to pull German-speaking Sudetenland from Czechoslovakia and gobbled up the entire country.

(iv) Hitler choose war as the way out of the approaching economic crisis. Resources were to be accumulated through expansion of territory.

(v) In September 1939, he invaded Poland. This started a war with France and England. In September 1940, a Tripartite Pact was signed between Germany, Italy and Japan. It strengthened Hitler's claim to international power. Puppet regimes, supportive of Nazi Germany, were installed in a large part of Europe. By the end of 1940, Hitler was at the height of his power.

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