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## INNOVATIVE DEFENCE MANAGEMENT BY TIPU SULTAN

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## **ABSTRACT**

Tipu Sultan had strongly resisted the British colonialism and never submitted himself to the paramount of foreign powers. Tipu had displayed sound martial qualities and brought about structural and operational changes in military administration. Tipu endeavored likewise to create a disciplined army in the European manner, recruiting mercenaries of diverse origins. Tipu Sultan continued his determined resistance to British colonialism and equipped his army with modern arms and ammunitions during 1797-1798. The real strength of Tipu's fire-arms was his rockets and missiles, which had created a lot of fear psychosis in the enemy's camp. Tipu had developed modern ship building industry and built a good number of ships by using the local resources. Tipu had achieved remarkable progress in building a modern army, manufacturing modern weapons and giving economic development priority among other forward-looking measures. Tipu was far ahead of other Indian rulers in the development of strong and stable defense system against European colonial forces.

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