

CONTRIBUTIONS OF HOME RULE MOVEMENT TO THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT IN TAMILNADU

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ABSTRACT

Resistance to foreign rule on ideological grounds of nationalism, patriotism, self government etc. was a phenomenon which appeared on the Indian political scene only at the beginning of the last quarter of the 19th Century. In this situation Annie Besant came to India in 1893 to join the work of Theosophical Society. From 1914 to 1917 the pace was set for the Indian National Movement by Annie Besant. She was an unusually vigorous woman with a commanding personality and magnetic presence. She had developed her oratorical and journalistic skills. She played a vital role in Indian politics and started a Home Rule Movement in Madras Presidency and fought against the British for Self Rule in India

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