

SOURCES FOR THE STUDY OF NAWAB MUHAMMAD ALI WALAJAHI

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ABSTRACT

Nawab Muhammad Ali Walajahi was great ruler in the lineage of Nawabs of Arcot celebrated for his charity and philanthropy. He has been a character, neglected in the History of Tamil Nadu. Moreover the inadequate research on him has been from the view point of Europeans. Any Research on Nawab Muhammad Ali has been from the viewpoint of Anglo French Struggle. As a result the socio cultural environment of his rule has not been a subject of study for a long time. The first step in this direction is to make a survey of the sources available to study the rule of Nawab of Arcot. This paper traces the emergence of Nawab Muhammad Ali Walajahi to throne and identifies the various sources available to make an in-depth and comprehensive study of the Nawab Muhammad Ali Walajahi.

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