



LESSON- 3

LACHIT BARPHUKAN

THE GREAT ASSAMESE PATRIOT

NOTES:

Summary:

Lachit Barphukan was a great patriot of Assam. His father Momai Tamuli Barbarua was also a top-ranking officer of the Ahom king of Assam. He showed great personality since childhood. Like our great patriots, Tikendrajit, Paona Brajabasi and Thangal General fought fearlessly against the mighty British for the sake of our motherland, Manipur, Lachit also valiantly fought for his motherland. His determination and deep love for Assam gave him the courage to fight against the powerful Mughals and successfully defeated them. His motherland was above everything for him. He not only saved the freedom of Assamese people but also created an independent and united Assam. His love and sacrifices for Assam made him rise to the top official rank of Barphukan. As, we, the Manipuris, are proud of our glorious history and our great heroes, the people of Assam are also proud of theirs.

Learning motives:

1. To inspire the young minds by the bravery, determination and selflessness of these great heroes.
2. To arouse their feeling of patriotism.
3. To make them learn to cherish the sacrifices made by these great heroes and remember them with love and respect.

Glossary:

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| Personality | – the combination of qualities that form an individual's distinctive character |
| valiantly | – bravely |
| inspire | – to fill with the urge or ability to do or feel something |
| patriotism | – devotion to and loyal support for one's country |
| mighty | – very strong or powerful |
| cherish– | to embrace with interest or keep in mind deeply |