

## 5. Regional Kingdom

- The Ahom's of Assam
- Ahom migrated to Brahmaputra valley from present **day Myanmar**
- They suppressed the old political system of **Bhuiyans**(landlords)
- Ahom state was dependent on forced labor called **Paiks**
- Each village had to send a number of Paiks by rotation.
- Almost all male adult served in the kings army during war
- **Buranjis** is the historical chronicle of Ahom's
- Originally, Ahom worship their own tribal god but by 17<sup>th</sup>CE, they adopted Hinduism but they did not left their tribal culture fully.
- Ahom society was divided into **Khel or clan**.
- **The Gonds**
- Gond lived in vast forestland mentioned as Gondawana
- **Akbarnama** mention Gond kingdom in Garh Katanga.
- The kingdom was divided into –
  - Garh
  - Chaurasi (unit of 84 village below Garh)
  - Bahot (divison of Chaurasi in 12 villages)
- The famous queen Durgawati belong to this dynasty
- **Orissa**
- The ganga dynasty ruled up to 15<sup>th</sup> CE
- Narsinghdeo of this dynasty constructed Konark Temple
- In the middle of the 15<sup>th</sup> CE there was rise of Gajpati rulers they ruled Orissa until the end of Lodhi period.
- **Mewar**
- Rana Kumbha(1433-1468AD) was the most famous ruler.
- Rana kumbha wrote books like Sangeet Priya, SudhaPrabandh, RasikPriya, KamRajaRatisara etc.
- He constructed Kirti Satambh.
- **The Sharaqi of Jaunpuri**
- **Malik Sarwar** founded the kingdom
- Malik Muhammed Jaisi the writer of Padmavat was the court Poet
- Bahlol Lodhi Defeated the Sharaqi.
- **Kashmir**
- Zainul Abedeen was the greatest ruler Of Kashmir
- Zaina Lanka the artificial island on the Wullur Lak was constructed by him.
- Many Sankrit works like Rajtarangini, Mahabharat were translated into Persian under him.

- He still remembered as Bud Shah
- **Contribution of regional kingdom**
  1. They utilized local culture and custom for their own purpose.
  2. Develop and supported regional Architecture
  3. Greater cultural rapprochement between Hindu and Muslims.
- **Why Regional kingdoms were not able to become central:**
  1. They checked and balanced each other
  2. Geographical limitation
    - Few don't have access to sea
    - Geographical of few was such that it can't support a large state  
Eg-Mewar etc.
  3. Rise of Lodhis and their prolonged battle with Sharaqis led to instability in Ganga Jamuna doab.