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1. ★ Subsidiary alliance :-

In the Subsidiary alliance system, an Indian ruler had to maintain British troops in his state either by giving some of the territories or by paying for the maintenance of the troops.

2. ★ Doctrine of Lapse :-

Doctrine of Lapse means when a ruler of a subsidiary state died without a natural heir, the state could not pass to the adopted child but was annexed to British territory.

3. ★ Annexation :-

Annexation means to take control of a neighbouring territory, usually with the use of force. The states annexed through this policy were the kingdom of Travancore, Mysore and Carnatic.

Lord Wellesley introduced this policy in 1803.