

History

1) Reasons are:-

- The year 1904 was a particularly bad one for Russian workers. Prices of essential goods rose quickly that real wages declined by 20%.

- The membership of workers' association rose dramatically.

- Over the next few days over 110,000 workers in St. Petersburg went on strike demanding a reduction in working day & night and improvement in working conditions.

- When the procession of workers led by Father Gapon reached the Winter Palace it was attacked by the police and the cossacks. Over 100 workers were killed and about 300 wounded. The incident, known as Bloody Sunday started a series of events that became known as 1905 Revolution.

2) • Russia's own industries were few in number & the country was cut off from the other supplies of industrial goods by German control of the Baltic Sea.

- Industrial equipment disintegrated more rapidly in Russia than elsewhere in Europe.

- Able-bodied men were called up to the war.

- Large supplies of grain were sent to feed the army. For the people in the cities, bread & flour became scarce.

- 3) New name of St Petersburg was Petrograd.
- 4) In the strike led by Father Gapon, over 110,000 workers were killed and 300 wounded. This incident was known as Bloody Sunday.
- 5) Duma was elected consultative Parliament which was allowed by the Tsar.