

Glossary

<i>bai'-nāma</i>	Sale deed
<i>banda</i>	Slave, self-deprecating usage for an imperial official or servant of a noble
<i>dastak</i>	A low-level order
<i>dastūr</i>	Custom or customary dues
<i>farmān</i>	An imperial order
<i>fidwī</i>	A liegeman, an imperial official or servant of a noble
<i>fiqh</i>	Islamic jurisprudence
<i>'inām</i>	Literally: reward; a tax-free grant of land
<i>iqrār</i>	A legally binding declaration in Islamic law
<i>jāgīr</i>	Temporary assignment of revenue proceeds of a certain area as salary and expenses for holding a state office, <i>mansab</i> , and for maintaining troops
<i>jāgīrdār</i>	Holder of a <i>jāgīr</i> , usually also a <i>mansabdār</i>
<i>mahẓar-nāma</i>	Document of testimony
<i>mansabdār</i>	A rank-holding noble/official in the Mughal Empire
<i>mauza'</i>	Smallest unit of Mughal tax administration, usually a village
<i>mazhab</i>	Islamic school of law
<i>mōkāsa</i>	A revenue assignment as payment for military duties, similar to <i>jagīr</i>
<i>muftī</i>	Islamic juriconsult
<i>muhr</i>	Seal
<i>muhtasib</i>	Islamic censor
<i>nikāh-nāma</i>	An Islamic marriage contract
<i>nishān</i>	An order by a prince of the imperial dynasty
<i>pargana</i>	District
<i>parvāna</i>	An order issued by a Mughal noble
<i>qāmūngō</i>	Keeper of village tax records
<i>qasba</i>	Town
<i>qāẓī</i>	Islamic judge
<i>rahn-nāma</i>	A pawn/mortgage deed
<i>sarajām</i>	Temporary assignment of revenues proceeds for maintaining troops in the Maratha Empire; similar to <i>jāgīr</i>

<i>sarkār</i>	Territorial division in the Mughal Empire, smaller than a province
<i>sharīʿa</i>	Islamic law
<i>suba</i>	Province in the Mughal Empire
<i>tughra</i>	Cipher or calligraphically stylised name, usually of the emperor
<i>zamīndār</i>	Landlord
<i>ʿurf</i>	Custom in Islamic law
