

In the 1970s, Indira Gandhi led India during the Emergency. Many freedoms were taken away, and some leaders were jailed for control.



Some leaders wanted India to have a system like France's, with a strong leader having more power and needing less approval from Parliament.



A secret plan was made to change the Constitution to give the president more power. But it was never done, and India stayed a democracy.



In 1976, a law gave the government more power. It was hard for judges to stop bad laws. Later, some changes were undone.



After the Emergency, some wanted a strong president. Indira Gandhi thought about it but chose a loyal person instead.



India kept its parliamentary system. The idea of a presidential system was discussed in the 1980s but ended after Indira Gandhi's death.