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On the occasion of 74th Independence Day, Films Division Salutes the Nation. At midnight on 14th August, India was declared an independent and free nation. And with this almost 200 years of British rule came to an end. Films Division has painstakingly collected the rare footage's of our glorious Freedom Movement. Two such documentary films, **'India wins Freedom'** (22min/B&W/Eng./1985) and **'India Independent'** (20 min/B&W/Eng./1949) will be screened on 15th August 2020 to mark the celebration of Independence Day.

'India wins Freedom' is a one of the part of India's Struggle for Freedom series that deals with the arrival of the new Governor General Lord Mountbatten and the several events that took place leading to the transfer of power from the King's Government to the people of India on August 15.

The film **'India Independent'** depicts India's prolonged struggle for freedom. It recreates on screen the history of foreign rule in India for nearly two hundred years. The story of Indian patriots, from the time of the Mutiny of 1857 (the First War of Independence) to the martyrdom of Mahatma Gandhi is pictorially recorded.

In addition to this, select films of Films Division(14 in total) dedicated to Independence Movement and patriotic spirit are being showcased in an initiative of National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) i.e. Online Patriotic Film Festival running from 7th August to till 21st August 2020. The festival, a part of Independence Day Celebrations 2020 by Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, is streaming at 'www.cinemasofindia.com' for free.

To reignite the spirit of patriotism please visit Films Division website <https://filmsdivision.org/> and click @ "Documentary of the Week" section or follow FD YouTube Channel, <https://www.youtube.com/user/FilmsDivision> or log on to 'www.cinemasofindia.com' to watch special films on Independence day.

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