Infantry Regiments of the Indian Army 1939 - 1945

By 1939 each of the infantry regiments of the Indian Army had up to five or six active battalions and a training battalion in peacetime; in wartime, considerable expansion took place, leading to a proliferation of "fractional" titles; thus the 10th battalion of the Sikh Regiment appears as 10/11th Sikhs. The basic regiments are as follows:

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1st The Punjab Regiment
2nd The Punjab Regiment
3rd Madras Regiment
4th The Bombay Grenadiers
5th The Mahratta Light Infantry
6th The Rajputana Rifles
7th The Rajput Regiment
8th The Punjab Regiment
9th The Jat Regiment
10th The Baluch Regiment
11th The Sikh Regiment
12th The Frontier Force Regiment
13th The Frontier Force Rifles
14th The Punjab Regiment
15th The Punjab Regiment
16th The Punjab Regiment
17th The Punjab Regiment
18th The Royal Garwhal Rifles
19th The Hyderabad Regiment
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The Gurkha regiments were recruited in Nepal under the terms of a long standing treaty. Those marked * continued to serve with the British Army after Partition; the remainder went to the new Indian Army.

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*1st (King George Vth's Own) Gurkha Rifles
*2nd (King Edward VII's Own) Gurkha Rifles
3rd (Queen Alexandra's Own) Gurkha Rifles
4th (Prince of Wale's Own) Gurkha Rifles
5th Royal Gurkha Rifles
*6th Gurkha Rifles
*7th Gurkha Rifles
8th Gurkha Rifles
9th Gurkha Rifles
*10th Gurkha Rifles
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