



# Dheeran Chinnamalai

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## EARLY LIFE

**April 1756**

- Dheeran Chinnamalai was born on 17 April 1756 in Kangeyam near Erode, Tamil Nadu.
- Dheeran Chinnamalai Gounder was one of the main commanders in the Polygar Wars

## REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

- He was trained by French military in modern warfare alongside Tipu Sultan to fight against the British East India Company
- Chinnamalai sought the help of Marathas and Maruthu Pandiyar to attack the British at Coimbatore in 1800 But British forces managed to win over these armies
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## TRIAL AND MARTYRDOM

**August 1805**

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