## **Cyrnaica Command Corps Troops**

## **April, 1941**



## Forces available at the start of the campaign

## Forces that arrived after the start of the campaign

Indian 3rd Motorized Brigade







The Brigade had only been recently transferred to this front and was not complete. During the campaign, the brigade was ordered to defend Mechili against the Axis spearheads, despite an almost complete lack of heavy weapons and missing two cavalry regiments. After refusing three different surrender demands, the brigade fought a stiff action before being mostly destroyed. Their stand bought valuable time for the defenders of Tobruk to arrive and prepare.



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