



Q Why did Sir Syed oppose the Indian National Congress and to what extent he was successful?

Answer Introduction

"Sir Syed Ahmed was a guardian of Muslims in the sub-continent."

(Allama Iqbal)

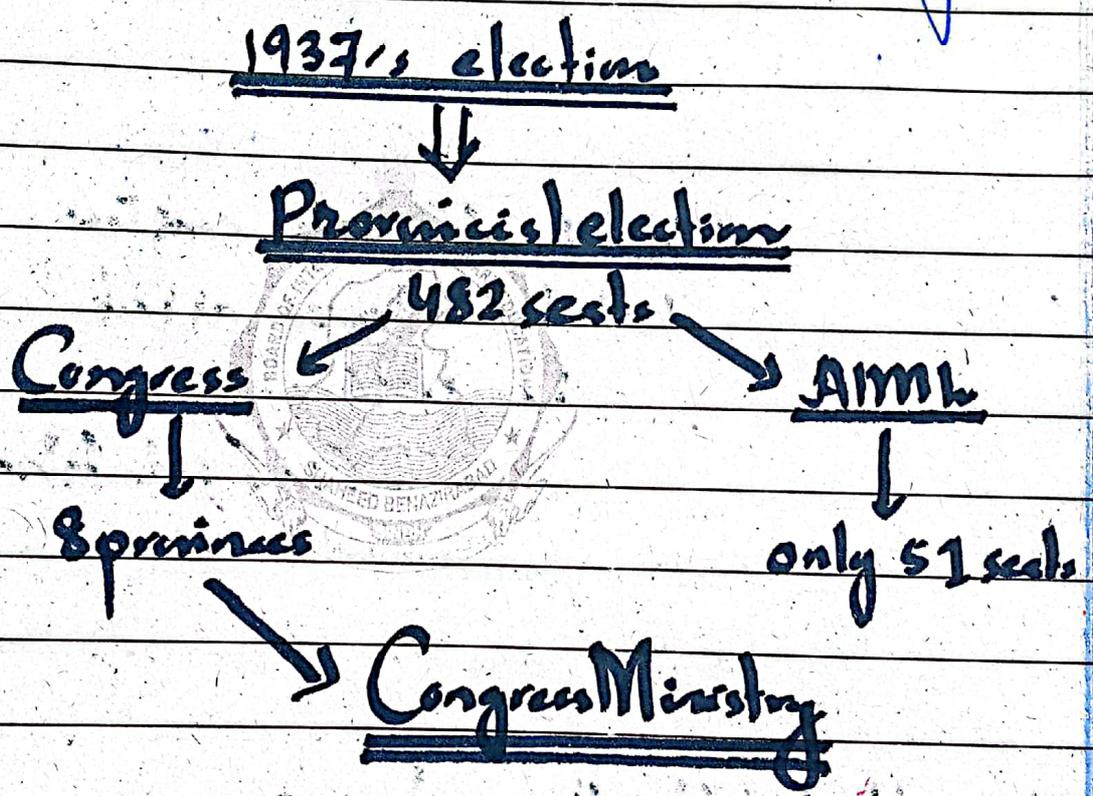
→ Sir Syed Ahmed strongly opposed the Indian National Congress. In fact, he realized Hindu will never protect Muslims' rights. Moreover, his ideology was successful. Therefore, Sir Syed was an opponent of Indian Congress.

2- The Indian National Congress: an Overview

"1937's election gave birth to the Congress"

(Raza Rabbani)

1937's election paved a way for Congress formation. In fact, it was a provincial election under 'Govt of India Act 1935'. Hence, Congress won with majority.



3- Reasons behind opposition of the National Congress by Sir Syed

Following were reasons:



a) Congress: the threat to AIML  
 "Congress Ministry  
 wanted to cripple  
 AIML."

(-Raza Rabbani)

Congress ministry was a  
 great threat to Muslim League.  
 In fact, an attempt of Congress  
 was to put down AIML.

"Hindu-Muslim conflict  
 led to adverse affect  
 to AIML."

(-Sir Syed Ahmad)

Therefore, Sir Syed opposed the  
 Congress.

b) Urdu-Hindi controversy:

Moreover, Congress also  
 wanted to suppress Urdu. How-  
 ever it was an official language  
 in 1825.

"Congress attempted  
 to devalue Urdu."

(-Razvi Kabir)

Resultantly, Sir Syed started movement in protection of Urdu.

"Maulana Abul-Kalam

Azad led to Anjuman

-e-Urdu."

(-Hindi-Urdu Controversy

Faisal Bari, 2018)

Therefore, Sir Syed opposed Congress.

c) Threat to Muslim culture and interest

Further, Congress posed threat to Muslim culture. In fact, Muslims' freedom was compromised.

"Muslims were under

suppression of Congress."

(-Rule in the sub-continent, Mirza Asadullah Khan

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Hence, Sir Syed strongly opposed Congress.



## d) Banned Religious Liberty

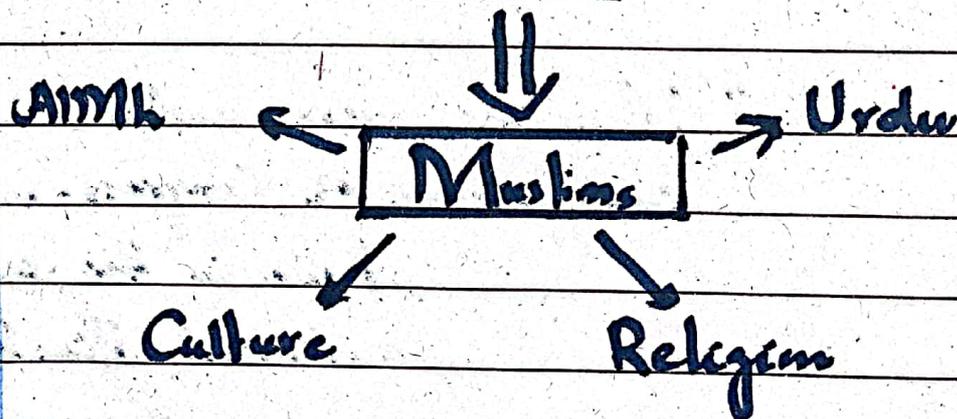
Further more, Muslims were not free in religion. In fact, Congress made religious liberty banned for Muslims.

Sacrifice of cow was not allowed to Muslims.

(- Congress Ministry - 1937, 2018)

Hence, Sir Syed was against the Congress.

## Congress Hatred towards Muslims.



4- Sir Syed Ahmed's successful ideology



Following are successful attempts:

a) No trust on Hindus: Rebellion of Hind

Sir Syed Ahmed noticed Hindus are not trustworthy. He encouraged Muslims not to trust on Hindus.

"In 1859, he wrote a book 'Asbab-e-Baqawat-e-Hind' means, causes of Indian revolt..."

(- Reza Rebbani)

Sir Syed Ahmed encouraged Muslims by written words.

b) Unity among Muslims: Active participation in politics

"Muslims should take active part in politics."

(- Sir Syed Ahmed)



Sir Syed encouraged Muslims in politics. In fact, he pushed them to separate their paths from Hindus. Hence, Sir Syed was a successful leader.

c) Bi-nations: Two Nation Theory

"Hindu and Muslims  
can not live together"

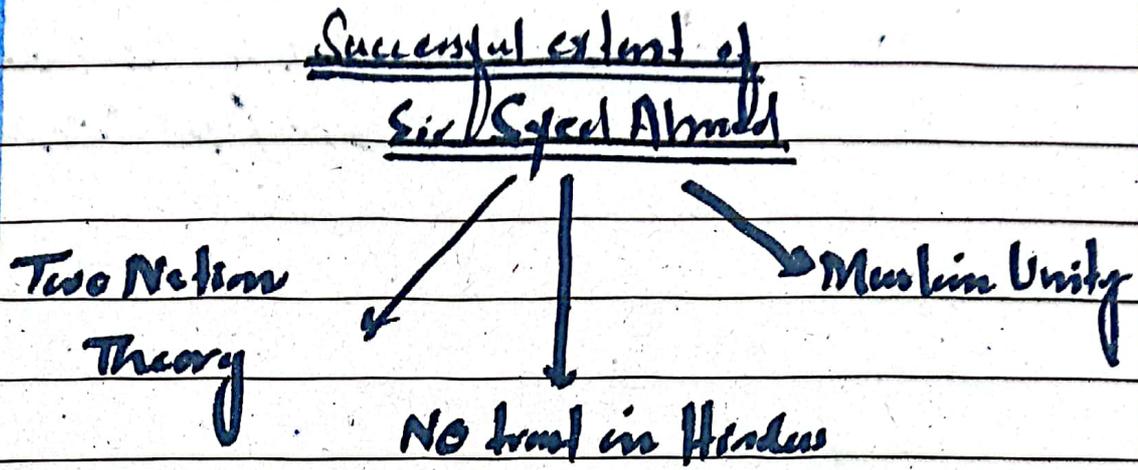
(- Sir Syed Ahmed)

Sir Syed Ahmed made Muslims realized to be away from Hindus. He told them that Muslims and Hindus are different.

"Muslims and Hindus are  
different culturally, ecologically,  
religiously."

(- Sir Syed Ahmed)

Therefore, he was more successful leader.



## 5- Critical Analysis

"Congress was severely  
aggressive towards  
AIMM."

(- Raza Rabbani)

Congress was not an ideal  
political party. In fact, its attempt  
was to put down AIMM. In fact,  
Sir Syed realized and opposed  
the Congress hatred. Hence, Congress  
was a real threat to freedom of  
the sub-continent.

## 6- Conclusion

"Congress Ministry  
led to Hindu Muslim



root in the sub-continent

(Sir Syed Ahmed)

Congress Ministry was against Muslims freedom. In fact, Congress posed threat to Muslims ideology. But, Sir Syed Ahmed opposed Congress and led to unity among Muslims - Therefore, he was a great successful leader.

