
PART-II

- Q2.** The history of Muslim Nationalism underwent a subtle change after the Allahabad Address of 1930. Discuss how it helped in popularizing the idea of a separate Muslim State.

Question:

Ans: Introduction:

The Allahabad Address of 1930, delivered by Allama Iqbal, served as a pivotal moment in history of Indian Muslim Nationalism. This address had a profound impact on trajectory of muslim nationalism and ultimately contributed to creation of Pakistan in 1947.

Here's comprehensive explanation of address and its far reaching effects:

1. Articulating a separate muslim identity: prior to address, muslim political aspirations in india were primarily focussed on securing safeguards and representation within united india - however, Iqbal's address challenged this notion by asserting distinct identity of muslims. He argued

that Islam was not just religion but also a complete way to shape culture, social and political aspects of muslim existence.

2) Birth of Two nation Theory:

Jalal proposed the partition of India, envisioning independent states for muslim community in northwest. This concept, later known as the "The two nation Theory", provided concrete solution to anxieties of muslims who felt culturally marginalized.

③ Influenced ^{on} muslim leadership:-

Jalal's address influenced prominent muslims politicians. While some like ^{M.} Ali Jinnah, initially held reservations, the address's articulation of muslim aspirations gradually gained

traction within Muslim League
The shift in leadership thinking
paved way for the "official"
adoption of partial demand
in 1940.

4) Rise of Muslim Nationalism

It served as catalyst
for the growth of Muslim
Nationalism. It provided a clear
ideological framework and
concrete aim for movement.

This energized Muslim communities
and fueled their commitment
to achieving self-determination.

This address became symbol
of Muslim unity and a rallying
point for those seeking to
establish an independent homeland.

5) Long term Impact:

It remains a
pivotal moment in understanding

the complete history of muslim nationalism. It offered a partition of India. It offered a solution for the anxieties of muslims and provided a roadmap for their political aspirations. While the address itself did not single-handedly cause the creation of Pakistan - it served as a critical catalyst for the events for that laid foundation of separate independent state.

6) Rejection of Hindu Nationalism.

Jalal rejected the growing hindu nationalist movement, which advocated for united India based on hindu culture dominance. This fueled anxieties among muslim and further solidified their desire for self determination.

7) Culmination of Muslims' growing anxieties

Ayesha Jalal in her book "The formation of Pakistan" argues that Allahabad address was not a sudden shift but rather the culmination of Muslim anxieties about their future.

~~In~~ In United India, ~~Jalal~~ She further emphasized that riots of 1920s, which further convinced that their safety and well being were not guaranteed in Hindu majority India.

8) Impact on public discourse:-

It marked a significant impact on Muslim political discourse. Aziz Ahmed in his book, "Modern Muslim Politics", argued that prior to address, focus was on achieving reforms in India. After address focus shifted to creation of separate Muslim state.

Conclusion.

The impact of address extend far beyond the immediate context of India. It served as powerful inspirations for muslim movements around world, demonstrating selfdetermination for muslim communities. By openly advocating the creation of separate muslim state Jinnah ignited the firestorm of debate and discussions that reverberated across country.