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Q: The Aligarh Movement was a pure educational venture but it had deep impacts on Indian Politics. Discuss (2016)

### 1) Introduction

### 2) Background

Implications of War of 1957 on Muslims:

- Suppression of Muslims by British
- Muslims were deprived of their rights
- Muslims orthodoxy
- Muslims denial of acquisition of western education
- Muslims' identity was at risk

### 3) Establishment of Aligarh Movement

Education as cornerstone of Sir Syed Strategy

#### • Objectives of Aligarh Movement

- (a) Attract Muslims towards western education

- (b) Make them think logically and critically
- (c) Reapproachment between muslims and british
- (d) To provide muslims their rights
- (e) Keep muslims away from politics

#### 4) Impacts of Aligarh Movement on Indian politics

- (a) Education as only vehicle for progress
- (b) Separate platforms for muslims to demand their rights.
  - Muhammadan Educational Conference
  - British-Indian Association
  - Indian Patriotic Association
- (c) United muslims as a nation  
M.S Jain, "Sir syed transformed muslims into a nation".
- (d) Idea of Two Nation Theory  
Sir syed to Shakerpail,  
"Since now both the nations could not live together".

- (e) separate electorates for muslims
- (f) opposition of Indian National Congress.
- (g) Aligarh leaders as asset for Pakistan Movement

## 5) Conclusion