

Q.No. It was over-reaction of Hindus to the partition of Bengal in 1905 that widened the gulf between Muslims and Hindus." Comment.

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Q. How it widens the gulf between Muslims and Hindus.

- INC's stance of representing muslims and Hindus become weak;
- Muslims got realization of Hindus' hate towards them
- Resignation of Comptroller and Auditor General leads to more gap.
- Annulment of Partition of Bengal was the result of that increased gulf.

5. Impacts of increased gulf between Muslims and Hindus.

- Rise of Muslim political identity and Rise of nationalism

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INTRODUCTION:

Partition of Bengal was a step which was taken to manage affairs of Bengal properly. Lord Curzon, in 1905, 16 October despite the heavy opposition from Hindus, they took that step which was highly supported by all over Muslims of sub-continent but highly opposed by Hindu leaders. They saw it as a step of divide and rule, they consider it danger for their nation. Partition of Bengal exposed the real faces of Hindus who through "INC" platforms showed love for Muslims and showed enthusiasm of one nation, their real intentions were exposed during the Partition of Bengal. This event and especially the over-seeing of Hindus towards this heated hate between Muslims and India and then Muslims of east Bengal became politically active and started to demand of their rights, we can say that, Bangali people have that political knowledge, as we saw, Bangali as a nation is very strong at politics. This event brought light in their minds and they actively took parts in politics. That was the impact of over-seeing of Hindus on Muslims of east Bengal.

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Reason

- to manage affairs of east and west Bengal properly
- for development of East Bengal

Partition of Bengal

Reactions of Muslim & Hindus

- Muslim support Partition
- Hindus opposed Partition

Impacts

- Rise of muslim Political thoughts
- Need for separate nation
- Increased hate between muslim & Hindus

2. Partition of Bengal was the step for development of east Bengal.

Bangal was big province, it contained 7 crore population at that time in 1905. It was very difficult to manage that big. In 1853, it was discussed among british to separate this province but it was never but when in 1893, lord curzon became governor general, he found that need, because at that only west side of Bengal such as Calcutta was only developed, any developmental programme occurred in Calcutta it was considered development for whole Bengal, but it was felt by government and decision of partition of Bengal were taken place.

3. Over-reaction of Hindus towards Partition of Bengal:

Swadeshi movement: Hindus started Swadeshi movement which had two goals to complete. 1st to promote hindu industry and 2nd to boycott foreign cloths, things. This movement was so strongly used against british government that they felt, that if they did not revoke partition of Bengal they would not sell foreign cloths in india.

Speeches and protests from Hindu leaders:

Swadernath Banerjee considered this partition as the step to break nation he said that, it was insult of our Kali Matta, because it was considered that their Kali Matta belongs to Bengal's land. Another hindu leader said in his speech that; it was like to remove majority of hindus's dominence from their own homeland.

Over-reaction of Hindus towards Partition of Bengal due to these reasons:

- Many hindu lawyess were not happy with formation of Dacca high court. They had fears of sharing power with muslims who were in majority in Dacca. and the
- second the hindu press named Bengali of Calcutta had fears that now Dacca

had shared press. These both newspapers came in field they had to compete with them.

- Other and main reason of hindu opposition that those hindus who had their lands and agriculture in east Bengal, they would lost them, for this purposed they opposed partition

There were many reasons but these were very few and main reasons and hindu leaders and they used nationality, indigenous, religious to fulfill their own purposes. They heated hate among poor hindus on the basis of religion and nationality that they had to oppose partition of Bengal.

4. How it widens the gulf between Muslims and Hindus -

Partition of Bengal has widened gap between muslims and Hindus by this way that It opened the real space of Indian national congress who claimed to be the representative of Hindus and Muslims both. They continuously demanded annulment of Partition of Bengal.

It was the disrespect of Hindus under Mahatma, the Partition of Bengal was the support for muslims to fight against hindus: "Swarnakshi Banerjee". This statement proves their hate and this hate leads towards increased separation between muslims and Hindus.

It would result in annihilation of Partition of Bengal. This create most differences between muslims and Hindus.

5. Impacts of increased gap between muslims and Hindus.

1) This increased hate between Hindus and Muslims led impacts on muslims, especially, for muslims of Bengal. Bengali leaders started to focus on Politics and talked about nationalism in different occasions. It & Partition of Bengal gave realisation to muslims of East Bengal that they have right towards their fundamental rights and developments. "Nawab Samiullah Khan". This bring brought new impact politics of muslims of East Bengal.

2) Partition of Bengal brought development in east Bengal which was highly ignored before Partition.

Before Partition

- One university at Dacca
- Communication center only one in Dacca and it took 72 hours from Calcutta to Dacca for letter to reach.

After Partition

- Three universities build at Dacca
- Communication centers developed and payed more focus and now it took only 24 hours for one letter to reach

Conclusion:

Partition of Bengal, although, that decision was taken for managing country's affairs properly but it was highly opposed by ~~the~~ Hindus, ~~be~~ on the other hand Muslims support it and happy with that Partition but the over-sectarian, over-hate of Hindus left great impact on Muslims that create heat between them and as an impact Muslims entered in new phase which is real struggle for nationhood started. That was the impact of Partition of Bengal.