

Test#1

Pakistan Affairs

Question#2

Introduction:

The basic and foremost aim of the Aligarh movement was the social, economic and political renaissance of the Muslims. It however, lacked in the religious sphere and could not work commendably for religious training of the Muslims. To fulfill this gap Ulema started their movement with the establishment of institutions to impart religious training, because they believed that the Muslim welfare and renaissance could only be possible by pursuing Islamic way of life. Its purpose to stop amalgamation of Christianity because Christian missionaries had started to preaching their religion. Demand was to only sect of learning where Ulemas rendered great services in protecting Islam against all anti-Islamic forces. This movement protect religious and national rights of Muslims. on other side Aligarh movement protected

the muslims socially, political and economically. In this way Deoband and Aligarh worked parallel for the progress of muslims after the war of independence. Moreover, many religious reformers worked together for the development of Muslims in United India.

How Religious reformers influence in shaping Muslim identity in United India

After 1857 war of independence the Indian Ulama wanted to give a proper position to the teaching of the Quran and Hadith. They started movement by the name of Deoband movement. Through this movement many religious reformers in which Maulana Qasim Nanavti started this movement. Its purpose to protect Islam from anti-Islamic forces. There are some important points that prove that it helped in shaping Muslim identity in United India.

1) Combat with Christianity & Hindu politics

In the 19th century Muslim's down fall started a very few muslim left to compete with others that fight for

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The rights of Muslims: At that time Christian missionaries had started preaching their religion, and moreover ^{that of} ~~that of~~ Akbari already a big issue. Under these circumstances preaching of Islam was the need of the hour. It that time Deoband movement only sect that preserve Islamic teaching. It started teaching muslim student Quran, Hadith, Tafseer Fiqah and arabic literature.

2) Preach the Islam openly and check on growth of Christianity

Deoband Movement produced many eminent religious scholars authors and orators like Maulana Ashraf Ali Thanvi and other companies that successfully checked the growth of Christianity and other secular faiths. Moreover, they also taught Persian, Mathematics, Geography and history of Islam. Through the glorious rulers of Muslims they encourage Muslims to fight un-Islamic preaching and preserve Islam.

3) Establishment of Different Madrasah's and preaching

of Islam.

In 19th century to preserve Islam eminent muslim scholars established different madrasahs in different regions of United India. In this madrasah's they taught
→ First 4-year the Holy Quran was memorized

Then the disciplines of Urdu, Diniyat, Social Studies, Islamic civilization and Fiqah.

In the Arabic course the students were taught Arabic kalam, Hadith, Logic and Math.

In this way religious reforms greatly contribute to preserve Islamic rituals, customs and Islamic civilization.

No doubt they helped to reshape the glory of Muslims religiously. In other affairs of life Aligarsh helped.

How Aligarsh movement play an instrumental role in politically

After the war of independence 1857 muslims lost their status and were deprived from all political and social rights. At that time Sir Syed Ahmed Khan started Aligarsh movement to for the

revival and regeneration of muslims.
In 1869 to 1876 only 17-muslims
got graduation. on other side
side hindus got modern
education and close to British

1) Objective of Aligarh movement

i) Its mainly objective to obtain regain
muslim's glorious status in United
India.

ii) To create an atmosphere of
mutual understanding between
british Government and muslims

iii) To persuade Muslims to learn
English Education

iv) To produce an intellectual
class from among muslims
community

2) Awakening of Muslim Youth

Aligarh movement
basically provide a platform to
youth that fight for their
rights. Its produce intellectual
youth by providing education
that were made conscious
of what happened in India
and outside India.

It able promote muslim identity
and pushed toward demanding
legal rights in front of rulers
of united India.

3) Urdu defense Society

In 1867 Hindi-Urdu controversies started from Benares by replacing Urdu with Hindi written in Devangri script. Urdu was associated with muslim culture and identity. By replacing Urdu with Hindi was a step to hit muslim's identity. For the defense of it in 1873 Urdu defense society established. Its objective was that Urdu should not be replaced because it is language which is widely used and understood of ordinary people.

4) Indian Patriotic Association

It was established in Aligarh at 1889. Its objective to show british congress is not a party that represent each and every segment of Indian society. It also provide a forum for ^{demanding} muslims right. All above steps of Aligarh became the 1st step to gaining a separate country after Sir Syed Ahmad death. Therefore it is rightly said that Aligarh movement play an instrumental role in forming the political ideals of Muslims in 20th century.

Conclusion

In nutshell, religious movement no doubt contributed greatly to preserve Islamic rituals, customs and Islamic civilization but neglected the contemporary modern subject. These contemporary modern subjects handled by Aligarh movement. In this way, both movements helped to united Indian Muslims to regain their status in India and play instrumental role into making separate country in 1947.