

The Radcliffe Award.

- ↳ Under section of Indian Independence Bill the Governor General was to constitute a Boundary Commission. the terms of the reference of the commission were as follows:-

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- ↳ "The Boundary Commission is instructed to demarcate the boundaries of the two parts of the Punjab ^{& Bengal} on the basis of ascertaining the contiguous majority areas of Muslims & non-Muslim. In doing so it will also take into account other factors."

- ↳ outcome of an official plan announced by Lord Mountbatten

Total area of Punjab → 99089 sq miles
29 districts & five commissioners

Ambala, Jullundar, Lahore, Multan
& Rawalpindi.

Members of the commission:-

- ↳ The Punjab boundary commission was consisted of Justice Din Muhammad, Justice M. Munir, Justice Mehar Chand Mahajan, & Justice Teja Singh.
- ↳ Whereas Bengal Commission included Justice CC. Biswas, Justice Bijan Kumar Mukherji, Justice SA Rehman & Justice Abu Saleh Muhammad Akram.

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Unjust Award in Punjab:-

- ↳ In Punjab, the Radcliffe award snatched a num of Muslim majority areas from Pakistan
 - ↳ East & West Punjab
 - ↳ Muslim majority areas were given to East Punjab
 - ↳ Muslim ~~mg~~ were in majority in Gurdaspur, Batala, Ajnala, Amritsar but handed over to India.
 - ↳ Pathankot → to provide link to Jammu & Kashmir.
 - ↳ Zira & Ferozepur → given to India.

Controversy in Division of Bengal:-

- ↳ most important Question was related to Calcutta → biggest Industrial Hub → entire development of Calcutta was based on Muslim Peasantry of Bengal.
- ↳ Eventually Calcutta was awarded to India ignoring the claims of the Muslims. @BGSPPMS360

Response of Muslim Leaders:-

- ↳ Ghazanfar Ali Khan called the award as "disgusting & unfair" → Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar the then communication minister dubbed the Awards, which to him were "extremely unfair & unjust to Pakistan. Acc. to M.A.H Ispahani the award was "abominable" as it violated "fundamental & accepted principles of contiguous majority Areas."

Conclusions:-

By 1947, the animosity b/w the Hindus & Muslims had grown → Resultantly, the land of pure, Pakistan, appeared on the map of world on Aug 14, 1947 → after independence large scale migration started @CSSPMS360

→ It was Raddcliffe Award that was responsible for migration → It was flawed planning of Viceroy Lord Mountbatten that contributed to miseries of the migrants.