

## Two-Nation Theory.

- ↳ The two nation theory is an **ideology** acc. to which, Indian Muslimism & Indian Hindus are two separate nations with their own customs, religion, & traditions
- ↳ Driving force behind the partition of the sub-continent

### Basis of two Nation Theory:-

- ↳ Language, Hindu-Nationalism, Cultural, Social, Educational, Economic, political differences, Hindi-Urdu Controversies, Congress Attitude, Partition of Bengal, Religious Differences
- ↳ Quaid-e-Azam M. Ali Jinnah → Muslim League leader & other Muslims of sub-continent demanded separate Muslim state → to secure their cultural, social, & religious rights. After Lahore Resolution, the revolutionary period was started as the Two Nation Theory. The core of the theory was that → Islam & Hinduism are two distinct civilizations.

## Sir Syed Ahmed Khan:-

- ↳ entire freedom movement revolved around two Nation Theory
- ↳ regarded as main architect of the two-Nation Theory.
- ↳ In the beginning Sir Syed believed in Indian Nationalism → Urdu-Hindi controversy<sup>1867</sup> → then Sir Syed wrote letter to DC of Benaras & used word "Nation" for Muslims. He wrote

"Now I'm convinced that these two Nations, Hindus & Muslims, will never reach on any agreement upon any matter in future"

- ↳ father of two-Nation theory.
- ↳ made muslims apprehended that they are separate nation & should demand for separate homeland.

Then → he stopped Muslims → to join INC → after realising that Hindus are not sincere → Muslims

## Two-Nation Theory of Allama Iqbal:-

↳ first time → gave the idea of separate homeland.  
at Allahabad he said:

"India is a continent of human beings belonging to different languages & professing different religions.

I, therefore demand the formation of consolidate Muslim state in the best interest of Muslims of India & Islam.

↳ The 1937-40 period was critical in the growth of the Two-Nation Theory.

↳ Iqbal gave → no name to his projected state (Now or Never) (by Ch. Rehmat Ali)  
→ opposed the idea of Federation, denied that Ind was a single country, & demanded partition into regions → as 'Pakistan'.

He said, "India is not a nation, nor a country. It is a Sub-continent of nationalities. Hindus & Muslims → are two major nations.



## Two-Nation Theory of Quaid-e-Azam.

- Jinnah's vision → was based on democracy, rule of Law, equality, teachings of Islam
- He refused the concept of Nehru's notion that → only two forces in India Britain & Hindus (INC).
- He said, "CSSPM360".

Pakistan is a state founded on ideological basis → not on territorial grounds. The Muslims of sub-continent are a nation.

The Two-Nation Theory became a reality with distinct ideology called Pakistan ideology.

He declared that.

Muslims are not a minority, they are one nation by any definition of word Nation. By all canons of I. law we are separate Nation.