

Ideology of Pakistan

we shall cover the following issues in this lecture.

1. what is an Ideology? What are its meaning and constituent elements?

2. Two Nation Theory and Ideology of Pakistan.

3. Why did the muslims of British India demand a separate state?

4. What are the aim and objective of establishment of Pakistan?

Let us look at the definition and meaning of Ideology.

- The word Ideology is composed of two Greek words 'Ideo' and 'Logos'. It literally means the 'Science of Ideas' or System of ideas especially concerning social and political life, by science its main method.
- Ideology is a set of beliefs, ideas and values which direct one's goals.

Pakistan ideology is based on the ideals of Islamic system and it was reaction to the Hindu and British exploitation of Muslim of the sub-continent. It was a revolt against the prevailing system of India where Hindu nationalism was forcibly imposed on Muslims and their culture.

Two nation theory

- Pakistan Ideology was founded on the Two Nation Theory which meant the Hindus and Muslims were two different and separate nations whose understanding of life was quite different from each other.
- The creation of Pakistan was unique in the sense that it was based on Ideology commitment in the light of religion of Islam. The famous slogan **“Pakistan ka matlab kiya La ilaha illah-lah”** become the core of freedom movement and the basis of Pakistan.

Why muslim demand separate state

Basically Muslim and Hindus are a separate nation having their own culture, civilization, customs, literature, religion and way of life. They cannot merge in any other nation because their philosophy is based on the principle of Islam. As the Muslims of India found it extremely difficult to live according to the Islamic principles of life in United India they were forced to demand a separate homeland to safeguard their national and religious identity.

Quaid e azam said: “ We have not made the demand for Pakistan for a piece of land but we wanted to have such a homeland where we could test the principles of Islam”.
(13 Jan, 1946 at Islamia college Peshawar)

Aim and objectives of establishment of Pakistan

- Enforcement of the Sovereignty of God Almighty
- Establishment of Islamic Democracy
- Revival of muslim image and identity
- Protection of muslim culture and civilization
- Two nation theory
- Establishment of a balanced economic system.

