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The status of Hindus & Kashmiri Pundits was good as they were protected by this Dogra Dharam Raj.

Eventually various organizations were formed/reformed to better the situation of Muslims eg. Anjaman-e-islami, Anjuman Nusrat-ul-Islam, Young man's Muslim Association etc

Dogra Rule and the misery of Muslims

Dogra regime was led by:

- 1. Mahraja Gulab Singh (1846-1857)
- 2. Ranbir Singh (1857-1885)
- 3. Partab Singh (1885-1925)
- 4. Hari Singh (1925-1947)

Dogra Rule was declared as "Dhram Raj". A rule that had no regard for Muslims.

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Muslims of the state received great support from Muslim brethren of Punjab.

Because of these activities and support the Muslims of the state were ready to demand rights from Maharaja.

This set stone for the political reforms in the state for Muslims.

Hari Sing succeeded in 1925, he was educated but continued the tyrannical Raj of his predecessors.

However, year of 1931 emerged as revolutionary against the Mahraja and his govt. in valley.

The issue of religion became the reason of this revolution for Muslims.

Case of inslult of Quran in Jammu etc. resulted in protest at Srinagar.

Abdul Qadeer (an outsider) delivered a speech, which ignited the Muslims.

He was arrested and sent to Srinagar jailed and charged.

13 July people gathered outside court to see the man. In resistance the Dogra forces opened fire and killed 22 people.

This incident shook the minds of Muslims and there was outrage. This compelled Maharaja to form a commission on recommendation of British.

Commission was chaired by B.J Glancy (Glancy Commission), also had Muslim representation e.g Ch Gulam Abbas.

The commission organized demands of Muslims e.g social rights and end of discrimination.

However the recommendation of commision weren't implemented because of Pundits.

The Pundits of Kashmir called protest against the commission.

This protest exposed the real face of Pundits.

But this became the basis of the formation of a political organization in the state to safeguard the rights of Muslims eg. Muslim Conference