

- **Simon Commission, 1927**
  - o Set up in November 1927 and submitted report in 1930
  - o It was expected to announce dominion status
- **Nehru Report, 1928** – Dominion status, Fundamental Rights
- **1<sup>st</sup> Round Table Conference** – Nov, 1930 to Jan, 1931
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Round Table Conference** – Sep, 1931 to Dec, 1931
  - o Gandhi as sole representative of Congress
  - o Ambedkar as representative of Separate Electorates
- **Communal Award, 16<sup>th</sup> August 1932**
- **Poona Pact, 20<sup>th</sup> Sep 1932**
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Round Table Conference** – Nov, 1932 to Dec 1932

**9. Government of India Act 1935**

- All India Federation (did not come into existence) Princely states (never gave assent)
  - o Federal, Provincial, Concurrent
  - o Residuary power with Viceroy
- Provincial Autonomy :Act divided legislative powers between provincial and central
  - o Executive authority of the provinces to be exercised by Governors on behalf of crown, not subordinate to Governor general
  - o Governor to act on advice of ministers but had discretionary powers
- Dyarchy at Centre – reserved and transferred subjects. Government to have council of ministers to aid on transferred subjects, never came into existence.
- **Bicameralism in 6 out of 11 provinces**
- Dominion status not conferred
- Reserve Bank of India

**10. Independence of India Act (Indian Independence Act), 1947**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> June Plan 1947 – Mount Batten Plan of Partition
- Viceroy - Governor General – Lord Mountbatten
- Most outstanding features was that it did not give any constitution
- It created two independent dominions i.e. India & Pakistan
- Parliaments will also act as Constituent Assemblies.
- Constituent Assemblies which has its first meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> December 1946, reassembled on 14<sup>th</sup> August 1947 as sovereign assemble for India
- Interim constitution
- Lapse of paramountcy over Provincial States, could join any dominion or remain independent
- Abolition of Sovereignty of British Parliament
- Office of Secretary of State abolished

**Interim Government members**

Office	Name	Party
Viceroy and Governor-General of India President of the Executive Council	The Viscount Wavel	Indian Empire
Commander-in-Chief	Sir Claude Auchinleck	
Vice President of the Executive Council External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations	Jawaharlal Nehru	Indian National Congress
Home Affairs Information and Broadcasting	Vallabhbhai Patel	Indian National Congress
Agriculture and Food	Rajendra Prasad	Indian National Congress
Arts, Education and Health	Shafiq Ahmed Khan	Indian National Congress
Commerce	C.H. Shabha	Indian National Congress

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