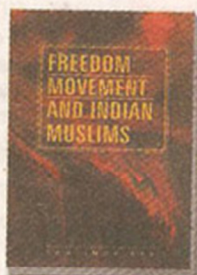


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HISTORIOGRAPHY is invariably a stepchild of bias. This much one understands while going through the various versions of "history," including that of India; as Voltaire had remarked, ancient history is nothing but an accepted fiction. One can say the same of other periods too. Even as secularists tried to "rectify" the "prejudices against Muslims" that had crept in during the British period, courtesy the British historians like Elliot, Dawson, Briggs and later on Todd, Elphinstone et al, and Indians like Jadunath Sarkar and RC Mazumdar who had adhered to James Mill's framework, there has been a raging debate about the facts and truths about past events, especially since the arrival of Muslims in India. This slim volume would certainly be of interest to those who intend to study the various versions of India's history.



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