

from the General Conference of Rulers, the representatives of the States of Baroda, Cochin, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Patiala and Rewa took their seats in the Assembly on 28th April 1947. Subsequently with the exception of one State, i.e., Hyderabad, all the remaining States entitled to individual representation also sent their representatives to the Constituent Assembly of India. Representatives were also returned in due course by groups consisting of States which did not have individual representation.

**His Majesty's Government's Statement of 3rd June, 1947**

69. His Majesty's Government's Statement of 3rd June, 1947, which superseded the Cabinet Mission's Plan of 16th May, 1946, contained the following reference to the States:—

“His Majesty's Government wish to make it clear that the decisions announced above relate only to British India and that their policy towards Indian States contained in the Cabinet Mission Memorandum of 12th May 1946, remains unchanged.”

70. This Statement was accepted by both the Congress and the Muslim League, and formed the basis of the method of the transfer of power to the successor Governments.