## **Governments under the First Constitution**

- First consitution
- 1972 Alliance Party won the election and remained in power for the next 17 years.
- Two elections was held
- First election was won by NFP.
- · Second was won by the Alliance
- · Alliance government lost power.
- · Coalition of two opossition parties NFP and FLP took up
- government
   14th May, Major Sitiveni Rabuka deposed the Coalition
  Government through a coup d'etat.
- Rabuka announced that the 1970 Constitution was suspended.
- Interim government was established, which included members of the Alliance Party.
- Rabuka also announced that Fiji would return to democracy when the constitution is revised.

## Constitutional Crisis: -

- L The 1987 coup created confusion and a range of questions in regards to Fiji's Constitution
- The Governor General, Ratu Sir Penaia Ganilau played an important role in the constitutional review.

Rabuka was not included in these talks. He led a second coup that same month.

September 1987 - an agreement known as the Deuba

Governor General tried to mediate an agreement between the political parties.

Accord was reached.

Ratu Ganilau assumed executive authority

## **Activity 9**

- 1. who instigated a coupin 1987.
- 2.whose government had been overthrown.
- 3.state two effect of coup in a country