

First Indian Born Hindu woman elected in Upper House Victoria

Hindus started migrating to Australia in 1970's and after about 50 years of migration, they have established their roots in their new homeland. Nothing illustrates it more than a migrant and that too a woman getting elected in a Parliament.



Kaushalya Vaghela

Kaushaliya Virjibhai Vaghela is a Hindu Indian Australian politician. She has been a Labor Party member of the Victorian Legislative Council since 2018 and has recently been elected to represent Western Metropolitan Region^[1] the first Indian Hindu woman to do so.

Kaushaliya confesses to be almost a Fanatic for Freedom, Fairness, Feminism, Food, Fitness, Fashion, Fun, Family & Friends. Having studied her B.Sc from Ahmedabad and M.Sc from Vadodra in India, she studied at RMIT, Melbourne and has established herself as a management expert as well. However, she felt humbled by winning the election and becoming an MLC.

In her previous role , she was advising Minister of Multicultural Affairs - Hon Robin Scott and acted as a bridge between Hindu community and the minister.

She helped a lot of Indian spiritual, cultural and other diaspora organizations in resolving their issues and getting government support in whatever form possible.

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