

Minister Ray Williams strongly condemns Temple Attack



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STATEMENT

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The NSW Government will not tolerate the desecration of items of cultural and religious significance, which threaten the cohesion of our multicultural communities.

I am appalled at the destruction of more than 30 statues of Hindu Gods and the setting of small fires inside the Bhartiye Mandir temple in Regents Park.

The NSW Liberals & Nationals Government recently strengthened the Crimes Act to protect our diverse communities from individuals who publicly incite or threaten violence against people based on their race or religion and will carry a maximum three-year jail sentence.

I understand police are currently investigating the vandalism and sincerely hope the perpetrators are brought to justice.

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