



Hindu Council of Australia

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Religious vilification incident against Hindu Community

BAPS Swaminarayan Hindu Temple in Mill Park Victoria, was today desecrated with graffiti with "**Hindustan Murdabad**" meaning "**Death to Hindu Places**" wordings leading to clear vilification of the Hindu community.

This violates the Racial and Religious Tolerance Act as this behaviour incites or encourages hatred, serious contempt, reversion, or severe ridicule against the peaceful Hindu community.

Religious vilification is unacceptable and the Hindu Council of Australia condemns this vilification activity and urges the relevant Victorian and Federal Government authorities to take stern action against the perpetrators and ensure communal harmony in multicultural Australia.

Ends.

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