



About You and Your Vision

1: Tell us who you are and why you want to serve in the US Congress.

Growing Hindu Hate

2: To address the growing instances of targeted hate against Hindus in America, if Congress were to introduce a resolution or bill that celebrates American Hindus and condemns attacks on Hindu places of worship, Hinduphobia, and anti-Hindu bigotry, would you support it?

3. Would you support any federal or state policy that relies on vague or politicized “transnational repression” legislation? Such legislation has been misused to profile, stigmatize, surveil, and chill the lawful civic participation of American Hindus, Hindu temples, Indian Americans, Hindu nonprofits, and Indian-American organizations.

4. Do you support or oppose legislation that singles out caste as a separate protected category (as distinct from existing race/national origin protections)?

5. Do you support federal funding or grant programs to help protect houses of worship — including Hindu temples — from vandalism, arson, and targeted violence?

Affirmative Action

6: What are your thoughts on merit-based admissions policies?

Immigration Policies

7: Would you support a Congressional resolution officially recognizing Diwali as a nationally significant cultural observance?

8: How do you plan to engage with the American Hindu community if elected? Please describe any specific outreach, advisory councils, or policy consultation plans.

Immigration Policies

9. Many children of legal immigrants, high-skilled workers, have lived in the United States for most of their lives, attended American schools, followed the law, and waited patiently in the legal immigration system. Yet when they turn 21, they can lose dependent status and face self-deportation through no fault of their own, even though their families entered legally and complied with U.S. immigration rules. Would you support compassionate relief for these documented dependent children?

International Human Rights

10: Do you support the human rights of persecuted religious minorities in authoritarian theocracies? For example, do you believe that US Foreign Policy and US Aid should take into account the egregious abuses of Hindu and other religious minorities in countries such as Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Afghanistan?

Foreign Policy

11: Do you support a close relationship between the US and democratic allies like India, and alliances among democracies to counter autocratic and militarily controlled regimes?

Free Speech

12. Hindu students and academicians have been disproportionately impacted by ideological tests on campuses. Do you think there are limitations to free speech? How do you intend to guarantee free speech for all groups on university campuses?