

Hello and Namaste,

As Canada's first Hindu Cabinet Minister, I would like to wish you all a very happy Hindu Heritage Month. Each November, we take the opportunity to recognize the outstanding contributions that Hindu Canadians have made and continue to make to our province and to our country.

Ontario is home to a vibrant Hindu population and Hindu Canadians from across the province have made contributions in a wide variety of fields. Throughout the pandemic, many Hindu Canadians were at the forefront of our fight against COVID-19. I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to those who have helped to keep our communities safe. Hindu Organizations like KAILASA Canada have stepped up to raise funds, donate meals for the most needy and support our seniors throughout the pandemic. This month, we remember, celebrate, and educate all Ontarians and Canadians about the important role that the Hindu community has played throughout our history.

It is my pleasure, as the Member of Parliament for Oakville, to extend my greetings to the Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism Jagatguru Mahasannidhanam His Divine Holiness Bhagavan Nithyananda Paramashivam and to KAILASA Canada for organizing this online event, bringing the Hindu Canadian community together to celebrate and educate future generations about the Hindu ecosystem and its contribution to Canadian society at large. My sincerest apologies that I am not able to join you today, and I hope to connect with you all again soon. Wishing you a very happy Hindu Heritage Month.

Thank you. Namaste.

Sincerely Yours,

Hon. Anita Anand Member of Parliament

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