

Persecuted Hindus stand with Jews in Canada

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On a recent Saturday, a handful of Hindus from the Canadian Hindu Advocacy (CHA) stood with hundreds of Jews, staring into the face of pure evil.

CHA had joined forces with a Jewish crowd to stand against a huge crowd of hate-mongers cheering on the terrorist Hamas. Vastly outnumbered, our group and the opposition ended up in front of the Israeli embassy, separated by Bloor Street. Most of the crowd on the other side of the street appeared to be of Muslim or Arab origin, with a few tokens thrown in from other ethnicities to add ‘multicultural flavour.’

Many of the Hamas cheerleaders chanted slogans urging the extermination of Jews. Despite the presence of police on horseback between the groups, the Hamas-backers numbered in the thousands and became so violent that police eventually warned us that they were about to break through the barriers and our safety could not be guaranteed.

None of this is much of a surprise. As Canadian Hindus, our community has suffered tremendous oppression here at the hands of those that appear to support terrorism and hatred. In 1985, supporters of the genocidal ‘Khalistan’ movement slaughtered 330 Canadians (mostly Hindus) by blowing up an Air India jet flying out of Toronto. No one was convicted.

The ‘Khalistan’ movement is practically dead in India, but here Hindus are still routinely victimized by these hateful bigots. Every year, Canadian Sikhs celebrate the ‘Vaisakhi’ religious festival and signs supporting ‘Khalistan’ and the accused in the Air India bombing pop up. Some Sikh temples proudly display signs honouring suspected killers.

None of this apparently bothers Canadian Liberal and NDP politicians, who continue to flock to these hateful events and venues.

Part of the reason we stood with Jews is the sense of isolation we feel.

Every year, Indians celebrate Independence Day downtown, and every year, a group of Khalistani Sikhs arrive to disrupt the event with hateful slogans and threats.

Hindus and Jews must join together to combat domestic threats as well as standing for the great democracies abroad.

Another big reason why Canadian Hindus overwhelmingly support Israeli actions is that we know the result of not taking a firm line with terrorists. Last month, India suffered a terrorist strike in Mumbai and India has suffered more Islamist terror than any nation in the last two decades.

This is because India has, through much of her history, been cursed by the rule of the Congress Party, which depends heavily on Muslim votes and is hostile to Israel. Before 1998, Congress had ensured that India did not have diplomatic relations with Israel and supported the PLO. Currently, this party rules India and has been critical of Israel's Gaza operations.

Canadian Hindus see Israeli actions as heroic and worthy of replication. The community fervently hopes for the return to power in India's May elections of the pro Zionist BJP party. The BJP has passionately supported Israel throughout its history and was responsible for establishing close relations between the two nations.

Real Hindus all over the world shall proudly stand behind Israel.

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