

# NFIA Press Release (April 2025)

National Federation of Indian Associations (NFIA)

Board Resolution

Date: April 22, 2025

Subject: NFIA Resolution Condemning the terrorist Attack on Indian Hindu Tourists in Pahalgam, Jammu & Kashmir, India! Condolences to the affected families of dead and injured!

**WHEREAS**, the National Federation of Indian Associations (NFIA-the largest Indian American socio-welfare community umbrella organization representing over 4 million Indian Diaspora) is the voice for the interests of Indian-American communities across the United States and Canada, and stands committed to promoting peace, mutual respect, and the safety of all citizens and travelers;

**WHEREAS**, We are deeply saddened and outraged by the deliberate targeting of individuals based on their religious identity. Such acts of hate and terror have no place in any society and must be unequivocally denounced by the international community. Our thoughts and prayers are with the victims, their families, and all those affected by this senseless tragedy.

**WHEREAS**, the NFIA expresses its profound concern and grief over the recent horrific, cowardly attack, selectively, on Hindu tourists in Pahalgam, Jammu & Kashmir, India on April 22, 2025, which resulted in 27 deaths and dozens of injuries and has caused widespread fear and distress among Indian, especially, Hindu visitors/tourists, migrant (from other States of India) workers and minority residents (Kashmiri Pandits, Sikhs, Christians and other minorities) of Kashmir, notwithstanding the blatant assault on humanity and an affront to the values of peace, pluralism, and religious freedom.

**WHEREAS**, such acts of violence are deeply reprehensible, undermine the spirit of hospitality and safety, and threaten the cultural and economic vitality of India's tourism sector;

**WHEREAS**, global condemnation and unequivocal denouncing was swift, especially by global leaders of USA, Russia, and nearly all of the rest of the world;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the NFIA Board hereby:

1. Strongly condemns the cowardly and senseless, selective, attack on innocent Indian Hindu male tourists in Pahalgam, Kashmir, India;
2. Extends its deepest sympathies and prayers to the victims and their families, and wishes a speedy recovery to the injured;
3. Calls upon the appropriate authorities to take strong, decisive action to bring the perpetrators to justice swiftly and ensure enhanced protection and safety measures for all tourists, migrant workers in the region and the handful of minorities [Kashmiri Pandits (Hindus), Sikhs, Christians, etc) still residing in the region;
4. Reaffirms its solidarity with the people and the governments of Jammu & Kashmir and the Central Government of India, and all peace-loving communities working to maintain harmony and unity;
5. Encourages the Indian diaspora and international community to stand together in denouncing violence and supporting initiatives for fundraising for the victims, peace and resilience.
6. Underscores, Terrorism must never be allowed to divide us. In the face of such darkness, we must stand united with dignity, resilience, and resolve for justice.

**RESOLVED FURTHER** that copies of this resolution be forwarded to relevant authorities, legislators, Indian and international media outlets, and Indian American and other community organizations to amplify our collective voice against such heinous acts of terrorists.

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