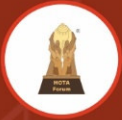




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2.30 – 3.45 p.m.	SESSION 5: Challenges and Opportunities before the Hindu Society Chairperson: Pandit Ram Hardowar, Shri Surya Narayan Mandir, USA	
2.30 – 2.40 p.m.	Session Introduction by Chairperson	
2.40 – 2.50 p.m.	Shaping global Hindu identity	Dr Ajay Shah Convener, American Hindus Against Defamation, USA
2.50 – 3.00 p.m.	Challenge and opportunity before Hindu society in Indonesia and support from the global Hindu movement	Prof I Ketut Widnya Director General, Hindu Dept, Ministry of Religious Affairs, Republic of Indonesia
3.00 – 3.10 p.m.	Family: Incubator for Hindu Dharma	Acharya Sri Gaurang Nanavaty Chinmaya Mission, USA
3.10 – 3.20 p.m.	Digital Strategy - across spectrum - including preaching and teaching	Dr Krishna Giri CEO, Digital Strategy, Bharat
3.20 – 3.45 p.m.	Question and Answers	



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Chairperson



Pt Ram Hardowar graduated from the University of Guyana, and worked as a geo-technical engineer. He learned the basics of Hindu Dharma from the late Dharmacharya Pt Lallman Shukla. Upon the passing of his father, Pandit Hardowar took over the mantle of Shri Surya Narayan Mandir. He is Director of Surya Narayan Seva Outreach Sangh, a non-profit organization to help the less fortunate in Guyana through medical and educational outreach as well as providing scholarships to deserving students.

Pandit Ram Hardowar

Shri Surya Narayan Mandir

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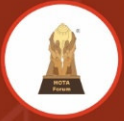
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Dr Ajay Shah is the Convener of American Hindus Against Defamation. He is the co-founder of Hindu Students Council; co-founder and CEO of HinduNet, the first Hindu website which initiated Hindu presence in the electronic media. He was the editor of the Hindu Vishwa and Jt General Secretary of VHPA. In 1990, Ajay wrote "Our Kashmir," - about the issues in Kashmir and its impact on Hindus. Dr Shah credits ABVP for giving him inspiration to work towards Hindu cause. He has doctorate in Chemistry and now volunteers his time as Adjunct Professor in Strategic Management at Amrita University School of Business.

Dr Ajay Shah

Convener

American Hindus Against Defamation, USA



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Prof I Ketut Widnya is the Director General, Department of Hindu, Ministry of Religious Affairs of Republic of Indonesia. He has worked as a journalist and served as editor of Karya Bhakti, a local newspaper in Bali. He completed his postgraduate education at the University of Delhi, Bharat. He has worked as lecturer at Institute Hindu Dharma Negeri (IHDN) Denpasar; Chairman, State Hindu Religion College Gde Pudja Mataram; Director, Doctoral Program in Religious Sciences, IHDN Denpasar. He was awarded with Indian Council of Cultural Relations Distinguished Alumni 2016 Award.

Prof I Ketut Widnya

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Department of Hindu, Ministry of Religious Affairs, Republic of Indonesia





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Acharya Sri Gaurang Nanavaty is a dedicated Hindu leader in Chinmaya Mission Houston. He has enriched many lives with the wisdom of Vedanta. Inspired by Swami Chinmayananda, he undertook an intense study in the Vedanta Course in California. Since then, he has devoted himself to nourish the scriptural learning and cultural growth of thousands of families. He has been honored in “Jewels of Gujarat” as one of the most eminent global Gujarati personalities. He is a trustee of Chinmaya Viswavidyapeeth, and he is a Director of Chinmaya Mission West.

Acharya Sri Gaurang Nanavaty

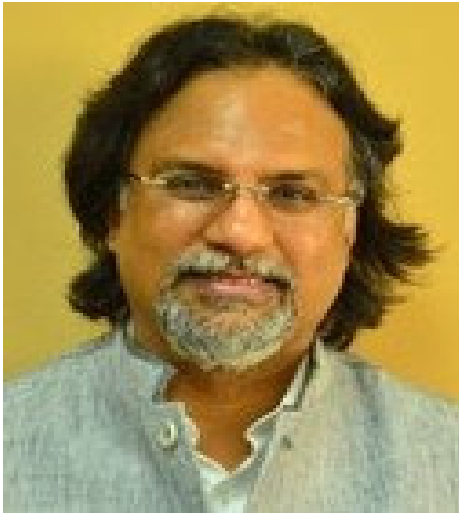
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Dr Krishna G V Giri has over 25 years of experience in management consulting, technology services, and growth and strategy for health and public service for Asia Pacific. He was former Vice Chairman and Managing Partner of Accenture (Bharat and Asia Pacific) - Health and Public Service. He was involved in AADHAR Program, a unique identification project, along with most of e-governance programs. He has Masters in International Relations and Public Policy from Tufts University. Dr Giri has Doctorate from Dr MGR University. He has adopted a few villages to bring in sanitation, education and healthcare to the women

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