

Number	Time	Topic	Name	Duration	email	phone
2nd World Hindu Congress Chicago, USA, Sept 7-9, 2018						
PROGRAM OVERVIEW DRAFT						
FRIDAY September 7, 2018						
HINDU ORGANIZATIONAL CONFERENCE <i>Organization is Strength</i> Conducted by the Hindu Organizations, Temples, Associations Forum						
The Hindu Organisational Conference brings together a vast array of Hindu organizations, including temples, associations, and institutions to share best practices, experiences, resources, and ideas. The session also provides a platform to discuss challenges and opportunities for generating inclusive prosperity ethically and effectively. The guiding theme of the conference is "Sanghe Shakti Kaliyuge", which means "Organization is Strength".						
Lunch						
Introductory Remark - Keynote				tbd		
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Room	2:30 PM	Session 1. Collaboration Between Linguistic/Cultural Organizations	Chair: XXX	75 Min		
G Room		Number of linguistic organizations claim they are only cultural organizations and not Hindu organizations although their following is mainly Hindu. These organizations typically don't participate collectively in Hindu activities. If the Hindu society cannot be sustained, the culture cannot be sustained. These linguistic organizations, through their emotional appeal, have become large, very active, resourceful and powerful but they are not concerned about the challenge and larger interest of the Hindu society. In many community based organizations, not only other religious groups but also communists and Naxalites have infiltrated and taken over control. We need to bring them on the Hindu platform, make them realize their Hindu roots and identity, encourage them to involve and participate so that they shoulder or share the responsibilities of the Hindu challenges. Create a collaborative platform for different Linguistic Organizations to strengthen Hindu society (Tamil, Kannada, Marathi, Gujarati, Punjabi, Bengali, Oriya, Assamese and Malayalam).				
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	Q&A			35		
	3:45 PM			75		
Break						
Room	4:15 PM	Session 2. Collaboration within Linguistic/Cultural Organizations.	Chair: XXX	75 Min		
G Room		Such fragmentation is not limited to linguistic line but is deeper within the same linguistic group. Create a collaborative platform for same Linguistic Organizations to strengthen Hindu society (e.g. TANA, ATA, NATA, NATS). Many political parties and other religious groups have exploited these communities. Due to ignorance and petty egos, these organizations don't participate in the Hindu activities. This lack of engagement in the larger interests of Hindu society, results in further division of the Hindu society. There is need for increased involvement and harnessing of this traditional potential in organizing the community and the Hindu society. Sometimes inter community conflicts are engineered for various reasons. We need to promote positive inter community bonding and interactions for better understanding and common good of Hindu society.				
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		Case Study -	tbd	10		
	Q&A			35		
	5:30 PM			75		
Plenary Session						
Networking - Dinner						
Breakfast						
Saturday September 8, 2018						
Room	9:30 AM	Session 3. Human rights violation around the world	Chair: XXX	75 Min		
G Room		Hindu community has been on the receiving end for sometime in various parts of the world, such as in Pakistan, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Indonesia, Malaysia, and in West Asian countries, and Gypsies in Europe. As a billion society, it is our responsibility to help our Hindu brothers and sisters in these countries, so that they get fair treatment and can live with dignity. Network Hindu organizations actively addressing these issues e.g. HAF, GHRD.				
		Defending Hindu human rights	tbd	10		
		Influencing Government policies	tbd	10		
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	Q&A			35		
	10:45 AM			75		
Break						
Room	11:15 AM	Session 4. Operational mechanism for Hindus to reach the unreached areas	Chair: XXX	75 Min		

d	G Room		Developing operational mechanism and resources for Hindus to reach the unreached areas: such as South America, Africa and Eastern Europe. Most of these unreached areas belonged to various indigenous tribes with ancient tradition, culture and heritage. Many of these groups have been either converted to Islam or Christianity. It has been noted that some of these groups continue to practice their ancient traditions although they have been converted. Now there is a revival and they are looking towards Hindus because of similarities. So there is an opportunity to work with these groups.				
s			Reaching to the South American community	Swami V A Param Adwaiti, Peru	10		
s			Getting legal recognition of Hindu Dharma in Italian Government system	Swamini Hansanand Giri, Italy	10		
s			African community or Bhagwat Gita translation into Arabic	tbd	10		
s			Identify areas of regions that are not reachable or where we intend to reach – plan for new areas	tbd	10		
s		Q&A			35		
s		12:30 PM			75		
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z			Lunch				
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m	Room	2:30 AM	Session 5. Responding to Socio-Cultural Challenges before Global Hindu Society	Chair: XXX	75 Min		
d	G Room		There are many challenges that the Hindu society faces in lands outside of Bharat, apart from discrimination and human rights violations. These are genuine soico cultural needs that arise in a totally foreign context. What can we do to share these common concerns and develop common frameworks and solutions that can be shared. These challenges also present opportunities for Hindus to contribute positively to their adopted ands drawing upon the depth and richness of their ancestral heritage.				
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s		Q&A			35		
s		3:45 AM			75		
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m	Room	4:15 PM	Session 6. Case Studies - Success Stories	Chair: xxx	75 Min		
d	G Room		Sharing exemplary and inspiring case studies and success stories.				
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s		Q&A			35		
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z		6:00 PM	Plenary Session				
z			Networking - Dinner				
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			Can Hindu Organizations work together for the larger Hindu resurgence? (Chinmaya Mission, Bharat Sevashram Sangh, Sri Ramakrishna Mission, BAPS, ISKCON, Art of Living, Gayathri Parivar, RSS, VHP, Acharya Sabha, etc.)				
			All these Hindu organizations are working for the Hindu resurgence in their own core competence and areas of influence. However, they do not come on one platform to discuss, deliberate and devise common strategy to serve the Hindu movement. We need to improve this scenario and to see how to bring them together to work for the larger interest, respecting their individual identity.				