

# Indian PM in Australia.

## Time for Prime Minister Albanese to stand tall on an independent foreign policy, human rights, labour rights and climate action

*To mark Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Australia, for the Sydney meeting of the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue, over 30 organisations from Australia, New Zealand, North America, the Middle East and Europe, have signed a joint statement to Prime Minister Anthony Albanese on human rights and climate justice issues that are interconnected with India's policies and actions. These organisations that have signed the statement below comprise a diverse mix of faith-based, justice-oriented, human rights, union, and trade groups,*

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We, the undersigned organisations and individuals, representing a broad cross-section of Australian society and International Allies, have come together to raise our concerns about the detrimental impact that the policies and actions of Mr Modi and his Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) are having on the majority of Indians, the repercussions this is having in the Indo-Pacific region and the world environment.

Prime Minister Modi's visit to Australia provides an opportunity for Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and Foreign Minister Penny Wong to address key issues with their Indian counterparts.



We believe that constructive bilateral talks with India should cover human rights abuses, growing inequality, climate action, the breakdown in media and judicial freedom, and reducing regional tensions and disputes.

Considering the range of damaging policies that the Indian government, under Prime Minister Modi's leadership, is inflicting on its citizens and the environment, we the undersigned urge the Australian government to

1. Call on the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Minority Issues to investigate India's discrimination against Indian Muslims, Dalits and other minorities and report their findings to the UN Human Rights Council.
2. Review the Future Fund's holdings in Adani companies and order a thorough ASIC investigation into Adani Group companies operating in Australia given the serious evidence of accounting fraud, stock manipulation and money laundering presented by Hindenburg Research and subsequent media investigations, including accounting irregularities related to Adani's Carmichael coal project.
3. Ensure an ongoing structured human rights dialogue between Australia and India as a core pillar of our bilateral relationship.

Good friends tell each other hard truths.

A meaningful, long term relationship between Australia and India must be based on mutual respect for human rights, media freedom, judicial independence, equality, open government and a shared commitment to free and fair multiparty democracy.



Name	Location
Hindus for Human Rights - ANZ	Australia
Australian Federation of Islamic Councils	Australia
Rev Bill Crews Foundation	Australia
Australian Religious Response to Climate Change	Australia
Amnesty International Australia	Australia
AID WATCH Australia	Australia
Australian Fair Trade & Investment Network Ltd	Australia
Maritime Union of Australia - Sydney Branch	Australia
Extinction Rebellion	Australia
Alliance Against Islamophobia	Australia
Muslim Collective	Australia
Periyar Ambedkar Thoughts Circle of Australia	Australia
Stand with Kashmir - Australia	Australia
Tamil Nadu Australia Muslim Society	Australia
Basmalla Australia	Australia



Name	Location
Aotearoa Alliance Of Progressive Indians	New Zealand
CARE	New Zealand
South Asia Solidarity Group	United Kingdom
International Solidarity for Academic Freedom in India	United Kingdom
The United Kingdom Indian Muslim Council	United Kingdom
Indian Muslim Federation UK	United Kingdom
India Labour Solidarity	United Kingdom
London Mining Network	United Kingdom
Stichting The London Story	Europe
Justice for All	United States
Indian American Muslim Council	United States
Boston South Asian Coalition	United States
India Civil Watch International	United States
Justice for All	Canada
12 Ummah	Middle East

