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Subject: RE: MO tasking: due 10am tomorrow (16/10/2025) - Message for Hindu Heritage Month [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Friday, 17 October 2025 4:20:32 PM
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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please find attached signed message – could the CLOs please distribute this?

Grateful if you could please let me know once this has been actioned.

Thank you

Kind regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
 Departmental Liaison Officer
 Office of the Hon Dr Anne Aly MP
 Minister for Small Business
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OFFICIALMorning  s: 22(1)(a)(i)

Draft message for Hindu Heritage Month, as requested:

Hindu Heritage Month

I send warm greetings to the Hindu community in Australia as you celebrate your heritage as part of the Hindu Council of Australia's celebration of Hindu Heritage Month.

Hinduism's traditions and legacy are ancient and continue to be a source of spiritual nourishment and empowerment for thousands of Australians who have inherited that legacy. Australia's Hindus also inherit the legacy of the history of Hinduism in this land as a religion that was brought across the seas by peoples from the subcontinent who strove against the odds for much of the 19th and 20th centuries to build community and to sustain their traditions, belief and heritage.

Australia can be proud that, in our modern embrace of multiculturalism, we have become a place in which Hinduism is thriving as one of the fastest growing religions in our increasingly diverse religious landscape. Across Australia, Hindu organisations play a pivotal role in nurturing this heritage and providing a strong sense of belonging for the Hindu community. Through temples, cultural centres, youth networks and community associations, these organisations create spaces where traditions are preserved, festivals are celebrated and knowledge is passed down. We appreciate these institutions for fostering interfaith understanding and collaboration, helping to preserve culture and identity.

In a country as proudly multicultural as Australia, the presence and engagement of the Hindu community adds immense value. By sharing your heritage and practices, all Australians gain the opportunity to experience the depth and diversity of one of the oldest living cultures. As Hindu Heritage Month is celebrated, it stands as a reminder that embracing and honouring such traditions not only strengthens cultural identity but also enhances the collective spirit of inclusion and unity which defines modern Australia.

Happy Hindu Heritage Month!

Kind regards,

 s: 22(1)(a)(i)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director

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Thanks all,

s. 22(1)(a)(ii) ~ just sharing attached some related messages s. 22(1)(a)(ii) sent yesterday – I hope some of these could re-purposed for this message.

Kind regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Thanks s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii) we will need additional time tomorrow morning. I'll let you know by 9am how we are tracking.

Kind regards,

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Can s. 22(1)(a)(ii) prepare and CEM will review?

Regards

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Hi [redacted] and [redacted]

The MO has requested an urgent ministerial message on the Hindu Heritage month (October 2025).

Related and background information on the event can be found here:

- [Governemnt MP recognises Hindu Heritage Month – Hindu Council of Australia](#)
- [Why Australia Should Officially Recognise Hindu Heritage Month – Hindu Council of Australia](#)
- [Hindu Heritage Month – Press Release – Hindu Council of Australia](#)

Grateful if you could please provide the draft message via return email to me as soon as practicable.

Please let me know if you have any questions/concerns.

Kind regards

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 Minister for Small Business
 Minister for International Development
 Minister for Multicultural Affairs

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The Hon Dr Anne Aly MP
Minister for Small Business
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MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER FOR MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

HINDU HERITAGE MONTH

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Happy Hindu Heritage Month!

A blue ink signature of The Hon Dr Anne Aly, written in a cursive style.

The Hon Dr Anne Aly MP
October 2025

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

This came as a last minute request a few nights ago.

For awareness, this press release [Hindu Heritage Month – Press Release – Hindu Council of Australia](#) seems to misrepresent Andrew Charlton MP's actions in parliament in a way which makes it appear more Government-endorsed than it has been (it appears that it was not a motion but a speech endorsing the idea in his capacity as an MP), so we have sought to phrase the message to highlight that Hindu Heritage Month is a project of the Hindu Council of Australia.

CLOs may wish to take this into account when deciding how to distribute the message, focusing on organisations aligned with the Hindu Council of Australia.

Kind regards,

s. 22(1)(a)(ii) (he/him)

A/g Assistant Director, Community Events and Messages

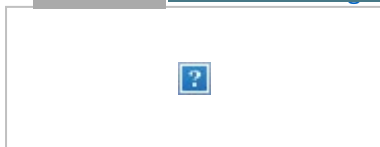
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Subject: FW: Potential ministerial messages to be distributed by the CLO network [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Could you please advise about the **Hindu Heritage Month** message? I don't think I've seen that. And what date will this event be?

Warm regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Making flexibility work – My work hours may look different to yours. If my email finds you outside of your normal working hours, please do not feel obligated to respond immediately.

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Hi s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

I'm letting you know that several draft cultural/religious messages are currently with CoS s. 22(1)(a)(ii) for review/approval. These include:

- Hindu Heritage Month

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Sharing this in advance in case the CLO network requires time to prepare the distribution lists.

Thanks

Kind regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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So sorry!!! The attachment is here this time!

Sending on Monday is fine.

Thanks and sorry again!

Cheers

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Dear CLO Network colleagues,

We are seeking your assistance with the below task please.

Task: For sharing: Minister Aly's message - **Hindu Heritage Month**

Deadline: by **COB 21/10**

Action required:

1. Please forward the attached message to your appropriate stakeholders.
2. Kindly note that DLO Aly has advised that if communities wish to thank Minister Aly for her message, they are welcome to write to the Minister directly at
Anne.Aly.MP@aph.gov.au

Please feel free to include this line in your email when sharing the message:

“If you would like to thank Minister Aly for her message, you are welcome to write to the Minister directly at Anne.Aly.MP@aph.gov.au”

3. Once actioned, kindly confirm via return email that this has been actioned.

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Next steps: CLOCAR will advise the MO of task completion.

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Note: This task has been added to the [CLO Network Task Tracker](#)

Many thanks for your assistance, and please feel free to reach out if you have any questions

Warm regards

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Dear s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Confirming that this message has been distributed to relevant stakeholders.

Kind regards,

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Thanks s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Noted and we will allocate for distribution and confirm once the action has been completed.

Kind regards,

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