



THE HINDU TEMPLE SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICA

Śri Mahā Vallabha Ganapati Devasthānam



Important Public Notice – Beware of Fraudulent Recruitment Scam

Date: July 28, 2026

The Temple Administration wishes to alert all devotees, priests, and members of the public regarding a **fraudulent recruitment scam** that has recently come to our attention.

Since **Sunday, July 26**, we have received multiple phone calls and emails from priests and individuals located in **Houston, Alabama, Bangalore, Mysore, and Hyderabad** regarding a **fake AI-generated advertisement** circulating on various social media platforms. The advertisement falsely claims to offer employment opportunities at our Temple and requests payment for registration and visa processing.

The individuals behind this scam are reportedly demanding **INR 11,000** as a registration fee, along with additional payments for purported **B-1/B-2** and **R-1 visa processing**, while falsely promising employment at our Temple.

The information provided to us regarding the suspected perpetrators is as follows: **Names Used:** Dharma & Sri Harsha Acharyan

- **Phone:** +91 8073284164 / +91 9611296784
- **Email:** isrigroup4@gmail.com

Please be advised:

- **Our Temple has absolutely no affiliation, association, or relationship with these individuals or their activities.**
- **We have not authorized any person, agency, recruiter, or organization to collect money on our behalf for employment, visas, registrations, or immigration services.**
- **Our Temple never requires applicants to pay recruitment or visa processing fees as a condition of employment.**
- Any advertisement, message, social media post, email, or phone call requesting payment while claiming to represent our Temple should be considered **fraudulent**.

We urge all devotees, priests, and members of the public to exercise extreme caution. If you receive any suspicious communication claiming to represent our Temple, **do not send money, do not share personal or financial information, and do not engage further with the sender.**

If you have already been contacted or believe you may have been targeted by this scam, please notify the Temple immediately and report the matter to your local law enforcement or cybercrime authorities.

Our Temple is taking this matter seriously and is evaluating all appropriate legal and administrative actions to protect the public and prevent further misuse of the Temple's name and reputation.

We kindly request devotees to share this notice with family, friends, and fellow members of the community to help prevent others from becoming victims of this scam.

Thank you for your continued support, vigilance, and cooperation.

Temple Administration