Sikh Disinformation Lab

FALSE

HinduPost "Hindus Under Attack" weekly roundup is curated advocacy, not balanced news

HinduPost's Week 300 instalment presents a list of incidents as evidence of continuous, systematic anti-Hindu persecution. The Lab's review rates the item as disinformation: while some individual incidents are real, the framing and editorial commentary constitute advocacy rather than factual reporting.

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OUR ASSESSMENT

Some individual incidents listed in the roundup are factually based on real events reported by mainstream outlets, but the overall article is not a neutral or complete presentation of “the news.” The article frames these (and other) incidents as part of a continuous, systematic “Hindus under attack / persecution / slow genocide” narrative. Many of the events have local, ethnic, political, or individual motives that are more complex than pure anti-Hindu religious animus. Editorial commentary (e.g., calls to abandon secularism, comparisons with historical figures, selective outrage) is advocacy, not factual reporting. However, the article is not reliable as balanced news. It is a curated advocacy roundup designed to support a specific ideological narrative of widespread, continuous anti-Hindu persecution.

THE CLAIM

Hindus Under Attack: A Weekly Roundup of Hate Crimes, Persecution, and Discrimination Against Hindus – Week 300

THE ANALYSIS

What was published

On 30 August 2026, the India-based website HinduPost (hindupost.in) published "Hindus Under Attack: A Weekly Roundup of Hate Crimes, Persecution, and Discrimination Against Hindus – Week 300," the latest instalment in a long-running recurring series.

The roundup opens by asserting that "Attacks on Hindus and Hindu Dharma, both in Bharat and overseas, are frequent and unrelenting," and then compiles a list of incidents drawn from India and abroad. Among the items captured in the flagged version of the article is a report that slogans praising "Shaheed Dilawar Babbar" and mentioning SFJ (Sikhs for Justice) were found painted on walls.

The verdict

The Lab's analyst reviewed the item and recorded a verdict of **disinformation**, with the nuance **false**, and assessed severity at 3 out of 5.

The finding is not that every incident listed is fabricated. The analyst notes that some individual incidents in the roundup are factually based on real events that were reported by mainstream outlets. The problem identified is with the aggregation, framing and commentary layered on top of those incidents.

What the review found

The analyst's assessment is that the article is not a neutral or complete presentation of "the news." Instead, the incidents are framed as components of a continuous and systematic narrative of "Hindus under attack," "persecution" and "slow genocide."

That framing does not survive scrutiny of the underlying events. According to the review, many of the incidents compiled have local, ethnic, political or individual motives that are more complex than pure anti-Hindu religious animus. Presenting them as a single undifferentiated series of religiously motivated attacks removes the context that would allow a reader to judge each case on its own facts.

The review also distinguishes between reporting and advocacy within the article itself. Editorial commentary — including calls to abandon secularism, comparisons with historical figures, and selective outrage — is advocacy, not factual reporting. Because that commentary is interleaved with sourced incident summaries, readers are given no clear boundary between what is being reported and what is being argued.

The analyst's overall conclusion is that the article is not reliable as balanced news, and is best characterised as a curated advocacy roundup designed to support a specific ideological narrative of widespread, continuous anti-Hindu persecution.

Why this matters for Sikh communities

The flagged instalment includes an item referencing graffiti invoking Sikhs for Justice and describing an individual as a "shaheed." The Lab's concern is not with the reporting of the underlying graffiti incident, which the review does not dispute as a category of real event, but with the effect of placing such an item inside a running "persecution" ledger.

When incidents involving Sikh political slogans or organisations are absorbed into a serialised narrative of religious persecution of Hindus, the specific facts, actors and disputed attributions of each case are flattened. The result is a cumulative impression of organised communal threat that the individual incidents, taken on their own terms, do not establish.

Reading a recurring roundup format

The "Week 300" designation is itself relevant to how the content functions. A weekly series with a fixed thesis in its title requires a continuous supply of qualifying incidents. The format therefore rewards accumulation over assessment: an item's inclusion signals that it fits the theme, not that its motive has been established.

The Lab notes for readers that verifying an individual incident cited in such a roundup does not verify the roundup's overall claim. The two are separate questions, and the analyst's review turns on the second.

The Lab has assigned this item to the Portraying Advocacy for Khalistan as Terrorism narrative. Readers who encounter the roundup or excerpts circulated from it should treat the framing and commentary as the publisher's advocacy position, and consult original mainstream reporting on any specific incident of interest.

SOURCES

01 https://hindupost.in/dharma-religion/hindus-under-attack-roundup-week-300/

02 The Lab's analyst review record (verdict: Disinformation; nuance: False; severity 3; the Portraying Advocacy for Khalistan as Terrorism narrative)

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Sikh Disinformation Lab is an independent, evidence-based programme founded and hosted by the World Sikh Organization of Canada. It monitors, analyses and publicly documents disinformation affecting Sikhs.

The Lab examines claims against evidence, publishes assessments with that evidence attached, and tracks coordinated campaigns over time. Every published assessment names what was claimed, where it appeared, what the review found, and what that assessment rests on. Where an item makes several distinct claims, each is assessed separately.

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