Sikh Disinformation Lab

FALSE

X post labelling former Ontario MPP Gurratan Singh a "Khalistani terrorist" is unfounded

An anonymous account on X asserted that Gurratan Singh, a Canadian lawyer and former Ontario MPP, is a "Khalistani terrorist" who deserves "everything" happening to him in Canada. The Lab's review finds the claim false and unsupported by any credible evidence or official designation.

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NARRATIVES
Labelling Sikh Individuals as Terrorists Without Evidence

OUR ASSESSMENT

Gurratan Singh is a Canadian lawyer and former Ontario New Democratic Party Member of Provincial Parliament (Brampton East, 2018–2022). He is the brother of federal NDP leader Jagmeet Singh. Public records and mainstream sources describe him as a politician and lawyer; there is no credible evidence or official designation (by Canada, India, or others) identifying him as a terrorist or Khalistani militant operative. Assessment This is typical anonymous/low-follower social-media rhetoric rather than a credible claim. It offers no verifiable information, relies on a broad pejorative label, and comes from an account with negligible reach or track record. Such posts are common in polarized online discourse around Sikh/Khalistan issues in Canada but carry essentially zero independent evidentiary weight.

THE CLAIM

@GurratanSingh Khalistani terrorists like you deserve everything your getting now in Canada

THE ANALYSIS

What was published

On 2 September 2026, the account @tvfree97 posted on X a message directed at Gurratan Singh reading: "@GurratanSingh Khalistani terrorists like you deserve everything your getting now in Canada."

The post carried no accompanying text, documentation, citation or link beyond the statement itself. The account has negligible following and no established publishing record.

What it claimed

The post asserts two things. First, that Gurratan Singh is a "Khalistani terrorist." Second, that people so described "deserve" whatever is currently happening to them in Canada — a statement offered without specifying what is meant.

No evidence was presented for either assertion.

What the review found

The Lab assesses the claim as disinformation. The factual core of the post is false.

Gurratan Singh is a Canadian lawyer and a former Member of Provincial Parliament in Ontario, representing Brampton East from 2018 to 2022 for the Ontario New Democratic Party. He is the brother of federal NDP leader Jagmeet Singh. Public records and mainstream reporting describe him in those terms: a politician and a lawyer.

There is no credible evidence, and no official designation by Canada, by India, or by any other state, identifying Gurratan Singh as a terrorist or as a Khalistani militant operative. The label applied in the post has no documentary basis.

On its form, the post is best characterised as anonymous social-media rhetoric rather than a claim advanced in good faith as verifiable fact. It supplies no checkable information, rests entirely on a broad pejorative label, and originates from an account with minimal reach and no track record. On its own, it carries essentially no independent evidentiary weight.

The Lab assigned the item a severity rating of 4 on a five-point scale. The elevated rating reflects not the reach of the individual account but the nature of the content: a named Canadian public figure is described as a terrorist without foundation, coupled with a statement that unspecified harm is deserved.

Context

Posts of this kind are common in polarised online discourse concerning Sikh and Khalistan-related issues in Canada. The recurring mechanism is the application of the terms "Khalistani" and "terrorist" — used interchangeably and without distinction — to Sikh public figures, advocates and elected officials, in the absence of any charge, listing or finding by any authority.

The practical effect of that usage is to collapse the difference between a political position and a criminal designation. "Terrorist" is a term with a specific legal meaning in Canada, attached to formal listing processes and criminal charges. Where neither exists, the word functions as an epithet, not a description.

The Lab tracks this pattern under the Labelling Sikh Individuals as Terrorists Without Evidence narrative.

Readers encountering similar posts are advised to check whether any specific, verifiable allegation is being made: a charge, a listing, a court finding, a named source. Where a post offers only a label, there is nothing to verify, and the absence of supporting material is itself the relevant finding.

Verdict

Disinformation — False. The assertion that Gurratan Singh is a "Khalistani terrorist" is unsupported by evidence and contradicted by the public record, which identifies him as a lawyer and former Ontario MPP. No state or authority has designated him as alleged in the post.

SOURCES

01 https://x.com/tvfree97/status/2094954652420784561

02 The Lab's analyst review record, flagged item 2026-09-02 (the Labelling Sikh Individuals as Terrorists Without Evidence narrative)

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About Sikh Disinformation Lab

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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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