

18th Hindu Mandir Empowerment Council Conference - HMEC 2025 and 12th Hindu Mandir Priests' Conference -HMPC 2025

This year HMEC and HMPC was hosted at DFW Ekta Mandir in Irving, a suburb in Dallas, Texas from September 12th to 14th. The gathering was supported by 19 sponsors and participation from over 67 organizations reflecting the strength and unity of the global Hindu diaspora.

The conference featured nine sessions having 54 panelists and 12 moderators skillfully coordinated the sessions.

Sister Ranjan was invited to light the lamp each morning and was one of the speakers. She spoke about returning to our Original Deity Religion and Satopradhan stage by making inner efforts and serving the community.

VHPA President Tejal Shah emphasized the spiritual and cultural importance of Mandirs, saying, “Our Mandirs serve as centers of Shraddha (faith), Buddhi (knowledge), Karuna (compassion), and Ekta (unity).

The Keynote Addresses were as follows:

- **Swami Svatmananda ji** (Arsha Vidya Gurukulam) emphasized unity and Vedantic wisdom.
- **Swami Bhakta Rakshaka ji** (Fundacion Bhagavata Dharma, South America) spoke on consciousness in the age of AI, bridging technology and spirituality.

The event was attended by a number of prominent figures. Dr. Romesh Japra from the Bay Area, California, a well-known philanthropist and Hindu activist, attended the conference. He is the founder of Americans4Hindus, a non-partisan organization. Dr. Japra also previously chaired the Fremont Hindu Mandir.

At the conclusion of the conference, the organizers recognized Brahma Kumaris community's contributions and presented Sister Ranjan with a Certificate of Gratitude. Other BK's were engaged in serving at the booth during the conference. We also sponsored lunch which was served by BK sisters and brothers.



Opening ceremony of HMEC and HMPC: Deep Prajwalan and Prayer



Sister Ranjan giving a talk on the topic: Returning to our original Deity Religion and Satopradhan stage.



BK's at the booth at the conference.



Sister Ranjan received a Certificate of Gratitude from the organizers of the conference.



Group photo of BK's serving lunch.





Group photo at the end of the conference