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## Press Statement from WCH UK

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**Subject:** Standing in Solidarity: Hindus Condemn Manchester Synagogue Attack

The World Council of Hindus is deeply shocked and appalled by the violent attack today on Yom Kippur at the Heaton Park Hebrew Congregation Synagogue in Manchester. Such an act of terror, committed on the holiest day of the Jewish calendar, in a sanctuary of prayer and community, is utterly abhorrent and unconscionable.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the families of those killed, our prayers for the speedy recovery of the injured, and solemn solidarity with the Jewish community at this tragic time. Our thoughts are with worshippers, community leaders, and all who were present.

Let there be no doubt: this attack is not only an assault on individual lives, but an attack on the foundations of religious tolerance, community cohesion, and shared humanity. The desecration of a sacred space demands our unified condemnation.

Today and every day, British Hindus stand as allies against all forms of hatred. We unreservedly denounce antisemitism, religious bigotry, and violence in any guise. We reaffirm our commitment to interfaith friendship, respect, and protection of all communities.

To the Jewish community in Manchester, across the UK, and globally: you are not alone. The World Council of Hindus is ready to offer support in whatever form is needed - whether through statements of solidarity, collaboration with civil society and law enforcement, public forums, or community outreach efforts.

We urge the authorities to ensure a thorough and transparent investigation, bring the perpetrators to justice, strengthen protection of places of worship, and redouble efforts to combat all ideologies of hate that threaten our shared plural society.

May this dark day strengthen resolve, not division. May peace, compassion, and respect triumph.

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