

THE SCOURGE OF TERROR: WHAT AMERICA SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE PLIGHT OF KASHMIRI PANDITS

A CAPITOL BRIEFING AND A BIPARTISAN BREAKFAST

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With

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Professor M. L. Raina

Former Director, Center for Continuing Education, Univ. of Kashmir
Social Worker Devoted to Welfare of Kashmiri Victims of Ethnic Cleansing

Moderator

Vijay K. Sazawal

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The reign of terror that has been unleashed in Kashmir by extremists masquerading as freedom fighters has had tragic consequences for the people of this Indian State, particularly the Pandits, victims of a program of ethnic cleansing. Terrorism also has taken its toll on India's secular ideals. The panel will discuss the evolution of terrorism, the parallels between the bombing of the World Trade Center in New York and the Stock Exchange in Bombay, Pakistan's support of terrorism, and the ramifications for America.

Time and Place

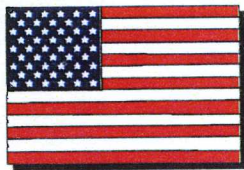
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Asia Society presents a breakfast discussion on Kashmir:

The Pandits of Kashmir: Uncertain Future, Uncertain Home

Wednesday, August 4, 1999 • 9:00-10:30am
Asia Society • Park Avenue @ 70th Street

Speakers:

Dr. AGNISHEKHAR, Convenor, Panun Kashmir

Panun Kashmir ("Our Own Kashmir") is a frontline organization of more than 350,000 Kashmiri Pandits. Dr. Agnishekhar has been instrumental in organizing the First and Second World Conferences of Kashmiri Pandits in 1993 and 1998. He recently led a Panun Kashmir delegation to the "Hague Appeal for Peace" civil society conference in The Hague, Netherlands.

Dr. Vijay SAZAWAL, Founding Member, Indo-American Kashmir Forum.

The Indo-American Kashmir Forum—along with the Indo-Canadian Kashmir Forum and the Indo-European Kashmir Forum—are recognized NGOs which participate in the U.N. Human Rights Commission (UNHRC) Working Group on Minorities. Dr. Sazawal is the Overseas Coordinator of these organizations. He is also a member of the Kashmiri Pandit Political Steering Committee, based in Jammu & Kashmir. He recently testified before the U.S. Congress as an expert witness on the Kargil situation.

Moderator:

Ambassador Phillips TALBOT, President Emeritus of the Asia Society.

Ambassador Talbot has had careers in journalism, academia, and public affairs. Prior to his appointment as the Asia Society's President in 1970, he served in the Kennedy and Johnson Administrations as Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs. During his earlier career as a journalist, Ambassador Talbot covered the achievement of Indian and Pakistani independence as the South Asia correspondent for the Chicago Daily News.

The program includes a continental breakfast. Tickets (\$5) will be available at the Asia Society reception desk the morning of the program.

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