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Anglo Indian Association of NSW
Australian Punjabi Business Org.
Australian Telugu Samithi
Australian Zoroastrian Association of NSW
Basava Samithi Australasia. Inc
Bengali Association of NSW Inc.
Gujarati Samaj of NSW
Hindi Samaj
Hornsby Senior Citizens Association
India Sports Club Inc.
Kuchpudi Dance Academy (Associate)
Overseas & Australian Medical Graduates Association (Associate)
Punjabi Council of Australia
Sydney Kannada Sangha
Sydney Malayalee Association
Sydney Sindhi Association
Sydney Tamil Sangham
Sydney Tamil Manram
Technocrats' Association of Aus Inc
Telugu Association Inc
The Indian Samagra Ikya Sangam NSW

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A. UIA Welcomes Indian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs :

UIA hosted a reception on 20th October 2007 at Surjit's Restaurant, Angel Place Sydney, to the visiting Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of India, Hon. Mr. E. Ahmed. The occasion was graced by the New High Commissioner of India to Australia, H.E. Mrs. Sujatha Singh and Consul General H.E. Mr. Sujan Chinoy. Also present were the Presidents and representatives of all the member organisations of UIA and other Indian Community representatives.



The Minister was gracious enough to take questions from the community leaders and guests present on that occasion.

UIA presented the Minister with a memento and the Minister thanked the Indian Community for actively promoting the bilateral relationship between the countries and said the relations between India and Australia have reached new heights in the last two to three years.

B. UIA Farewells India bound Premier:

The Executive Committee and Governing Council members of UIA met him at the Asia Business Advisory Council organised dinner at Sheraton on the Park and on behalf of the Indian Community wished the Premier of NSW Hon. Morris Iemma a successful tour of India. Mr. Rohitas Batta, Vice President of UIA will be accompanying the Premier during his visit to India.



C. UIA The Community Spokesperson

UIA has spoken out on Dr. Haneef issue in the light of recent revelations in the media and the effect it has had on the Indian Australian Community especially the fall out from this issue i.e., a looming medical crisis in Australia. UIA and Overseas & Australian Medical Graduates Association (OAMGA) issued a joint Media Release which hit the headlines immediately in Sydney Morning Herald, The Australian, Daily Telegraph as well as all the major News papers and media outlets overseas including India.



One can [Google](http://www.google.com) OAMGA and/or UIA

to see the amount of media coverage both national and international this Media Release has received. This media attention and focus has clearly established UIA as the spokesperson of the Indian Community in Australia.