

High Commission of India Ottawa

Press Release

High Commission of India expresses shock and sadness at the killing of an Indian citizen in Truro, Nova Scotia

We are shocked and saddened by the senseless killing of an Indian youth in Truro, Nova Scotia, Canada, in the early hours of September 5, 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with the friends and family of the victim.

Officials from our Consulate in Toronto are already in touch with members of the victim's family and will provide all support in the repatriation of the mortal remains to India.

We have taken up the matter with federal and local Canadian authorities, who have assured us of quick and transparent investigations into the matter.

We urge the Canadian government to ensure the safety of all Indian nationals, especially the Indian students in Canada, from racially motivated crimes. We will continue to work with local and federal authorities to ensure the continued safety of all Indian nationals in Canada.

We also advise all Indian citizens in Canada, particularly students, to exercise caution, avoid moving alone in desolate and lonely areas, especially at night, and report to local police any suspicious or hateful activities they may encounter.

Such incidents should also be reported to the High Commission at the contacts points provided on the High Commission's website <u>www.hciottawa.gov.in</u>.

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