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### **JAN-MAR 2018**

Launching the concept of "Soft Power Reparations" in the British House of Commons



Rajiv Malhotra addressed the British House of Parliament and discussed the importance of reviving and rebuilding India's Grand Narrative, and why Britain must remedy the distortions in its depictions of India and its history.

The event was hosted by Hon. Bob Blackman, who is a loyal friend to India and British Hindus, as the Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group for British Hindus. Video.

Infinity Foundation plans a conference in London in 2019 on Soft Power Reparations to implement Rajiv's proposal in collaboration with the British.

#### Oxford Lecture on 'Decolonizing Academics'

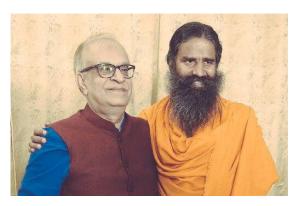


Rajiv Malhotra addressed a huge gathering in Oxford University and explained how

colonialism in academics has morphed and evolved through at least five stages after India's political independence and how Oxford continues to honor men like William Jones and Cecil Rhodes.

Many concrete proposals were discussed in the path towards decolonization. The importance of this event also stems from the fact that there were sustained attempts by some groups to prevent him from exposing Oxford's continuing role in colonialism. <u>Video</u>.

#### **Swami Ramdev Makes a Bold Commitment**



This is a very special interview with Swami Ramdev in which he explains his reasons for supporting Rajiv Malhotra. Swamiji says that Rajiv Malhotra is a rare individual in the intellectual representation of Bharat's civilization for three reasons:

- Pioneering the intellectual battles against those who demean our Vedic culture and way of life.
- 2. Establishing the positive influences of our sanskriti around the world and its potential for humanity's future.
- Giving up his personal financial ambitions to dedicate himself for this cause, even when his children were young and the family was dependent upon him.





Swami Ramdev made a personal commitment to serve as the brand ambassador for Shri Malhotra's causes.

He promised to contribute crores of rupees for this work. He makes a strong appeal to everyone to donate generously for this work. Video.

#### Interview with S. Gurumurthy

Rajiv Malhotra interviewed S. Gurumurthy, one of India's foremost thinkers on economic, political and cultural affairs. They discussed a wide range of issues including the rise and fall of Western models.



This was followed by a discussion on factors that made India very prosperous until the early 19th century, and what made certain Indian communities thrive in recent decades.

S. Gurumurthy explained the importance for India to crystallize and nurture its own system of economic development, and offer it to the world as an alternative to the policies being pursued presently.

Videos – Part 1, Part 2, Part 3

## Rajiv Malhotra and Nityanand Misra critically analyze Devdutt Pattanaik's works

Rajiv Malhotra and Sanskrit scholar, Nityanand Misra, discussed in details the works of popular mythologist and best-selling author Devdutt Pattanaik.

Nityanand Misra gave a point by point rebuttal to many blunders in the popular writings of Devdutt Pattanaik.



Misra convinces us that Pattanaik has been misleading the public. Video.

#### Dr. Nagaswamy Demolishes Dravidianism

In this game-changing interview, the noted archaeologist, Tamil & Sanskrit scholar, Dr. Nagaswamy, showed that some of the ancient Tamil classics are based on Sanskrit texts. For example, the most important Tamil text claimed by Dravidian chauvinists for separate origins from Vedas is Thirukkural.



However, Dr. Nagaswamy explains that the three books it consists of are in direct correspondence with the structure and content of Manu's Dharmashastra.

He showed point by point that exact correspondence between this foundational Tamil text and certain Sanskrit shastras exists. Video.

#### Other Forthcoming activities and events

- One day seminar on Sarasvati River tentatively planned for June 2018
- SI conferences on Kashmir and British Soft Power Reparations in planning stage





 Regional language subtitling of videos underway. Already Hindi and Kannada subtitles are available for a few videos.

#### Other Episodes on our Social Media Channel

There were other interesting episodes in Rajiv's weekly YouTube channel.

Swadeshi Indology 3 Highlights

Oxford, Bullying Sepoys and Freedom of Speech

In addition, Swadeshi Indology 3 videos are now available on a separate dedicated channel.

<u>Swadeshi Indology 3 Inaugural Events (with Proceedings Book Release)</u>

<u>Padmabhushan Dr. R. Nagaswamy's Plenary</u> Talk - Tamil Nadu Land of Dharma

<u>Panel Discussion on the proposed Harvard</u> Tamil Chair

Panel Discussion on Dravidian Hinduphobia

<u>Panel Discussion on Hinduphobia - Legal</u> <u>Perspectives</u> Prof. Kanagasabapathi's Plenary Talk on Jati, Kinship and Entrepreneurial Development in Tamil Nadu

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### Swadeshi Indology 4: Indian Culture and Psychology: A **Consciousness Perspective**



The fourth edition of the SI conference series, jointly organized by the Department of Psychology, University of Delhi, and Infinity Foundation India, was held at University of Delhi from 22<sup>nd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> of March 2018. Some of the themes covered were:

- Critical Issues in Indian Psychology
- Theoretical Models & Applications in Education
- Theoretical Models & Applications in Clinical and Counseling Psychology
- Theoretical Models & Applications in Organizational Psychology
- Research in Indian Psychology: First person, second person, and third person
- Toward a shastra for Indian Psychology

Rajiv Malhotra discussed the unacknowledged contributions of India to the development of the field of mind sciences in the West.

Multiple papers and panels discussed how the dharmic nature of India's approach to the concept of mind sciences makes psychology not a separate but an integrated part of individual practice.

There were workshops on the sidelines of the main conference where themes from organizational behavior to IP and multiple concentrations were covered.

The conference was spread over 6 days and was hosted by the Department of Psychology, Delhi University.



