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This week, we track the rising influence of Indian Americans in space exploration, politics, and academia, while also covering visa anxieties, cultural milestones, and the backlash against the community in Texas. From a NASA official behind the moon mission to a scholarship honoring a shooting victim, the stories reflect both achievement and struggle.

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Diplomatic and political ties deepen as Ambassador Vinay Kwatra meets community leaders in the TriState area and a statue of Swami Vivekananda is unveiled in Seattle. Meanwhile, Indian American candidates and officials make headlines in local and national politics.

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Visa uncertainties and H-1B policy shifts are pushing some NRIs to return to India or consider alternative study destinations. A couple affected by Oracle layoffs faces a 60-day deadline, while Indian students explore options beyond the Big Four countries.

VISA & IMMIGRATION

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COMMUNITY & RECOGNITION

Indian Americans are being honored for their contributions in medicine, research, and education. From cancer center leadership to teaching awards, these stories highlight individual excellence and community resilience.

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In business and tech news, an Indian American urologist pays a hefty settlement for fraud, while an AI researcher wins a fellowship and a student earns a Churchill Scholarship for medical AI. NRIs also get tips on investing in the Indian stock market.

BUSINESS

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India EB-1/2/3 priority dates with month-over-month movement, updated from the Visa Bulletin. nriherald.com/visa

Cultural events and controversies mark the week: a Hindi book event is canceled over political links, the New York Indian Film Festival announces its lineup, and Taco Bell introduces an Indian-inspired butter chicken taco. A documentary on Texas' 'Indian invasion' stirs debate.

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A Glimpse Into Traditional Indian Dance Wear

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SPORTS

India shines in archery with a women's team gold at the World Cup, while an Indian-American horse and rider make their mark in dressage at the FEI World Cup Final.

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The Daily *Brief*

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Commentary pieces examine the shifting status of Indian Americans from model minority to political target, the impact of ICE raids on family motels, and Canada's test on hate with implications for India.

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