

May 22, 2012 — INDIA (SUN) — In accord with Srila Prabhupada's instructions, ISKCON continues to widely distribute his books, the Holy Name, and Krsna-prasada. However, apart from performing these laudable services, ISKCON has also incorporated policies that I strongly feel are not in line with Srila Prabhupada's stated desires. Over the years, I and others have expressed objections to several of these policies, but to no avail. Thus today ISKCON no longer adheres to many of the essential, non-negotiable principles Srila Prabhupada taught, for which I joined ISKCON and dedicated my life to spreading.

I do not wish to leave ISKCON, but also I do not see it proper that I spend the rest of my life being identified with much that I do not believe in. Hence, as an ISKCON sannyasi, as someone naturally seen as a representative of all that ISKCON stands for, I make this public statement:

I do not support ISKCON's pronounced tendency toward Hinduization and to secular influences such as those of bodily welfare work, mundane feminism, mundane psychology, and mundane scholarship.

By stating this, I do not expect to effect any major changes. ISKCON's administrators are upbeat about the society's present course, which however I opine is in many ways different from that given by Srila Prabhupada.

Hare Krishna Centre - Leicester, UK - A Public Statement

Written by H.H. Bhakti Vikasa Swami

Thursday, 24 May 2012 16:44 - Last Updated Tuesday, 29 May 2012 07:08

I do not claim to be absolute and incapable of error. But as a follower of Srila Prabhupada and as a member of the sannyasa order, I have an obligation to communicate what I understand to be correct, according to Srila Prabhupada's teachings, to the members of ISKCON and especially to those who have formally reposed their faith in me as their spiritual guide. If I were to neglect this duty, I would add to the misguidance that many devotees now unofficially and officially receive in the name of Srila Prabhupada instead of protecting them from it.

Below is a list of lectures by myself that explain my position on various issues. Following that is some correspondence with GBC members concerning this public statement.

Thank you.

Dasanudasa, Bhakti Vikasa Swami

PS This was sent on 18 May 2012 to Dandavats.com. It has not been posted there, nor have I received any response from the Dandavats editors. Today, 22 May 2012, I am sending it for posting to BVKS.com.

Hare Krishna Centre - Leicester, UK - A Public Statement

Written by H.H. Bhakti Vikasa Swami

Thursday, 24 May 2012 16:44 - Last Updated Tuesday, 29 May 2012 07:08

[Read the complete article here](#)