Come to the Vedas. Bring your questions.

Read the Vedas as a seeker, not as a customer waiting for a preacher's verdict. Dayanand's programme joins study to truthful conduct and the welfare of the whole world. That is the standard I represent.

Choose the genius of the rishis over the confusion of a fugitive.

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(Let's make the world noble)



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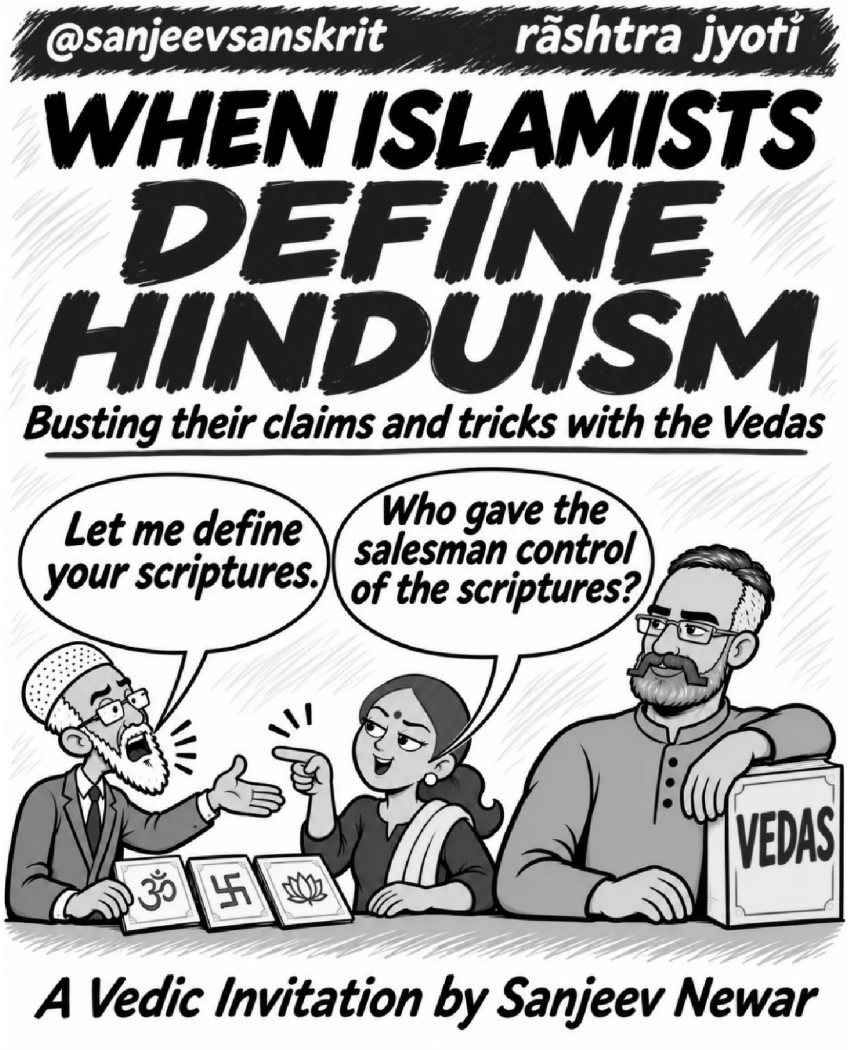
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Naik's Introduction, reproduced under his name

Dayanand: Satyarth Prakash, chapters 3 and 7

Arya Samaj principles 3–6: study, truth, conduct, universal good

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Busting Their Claims and Tricks with the Vedas

> **Convenient for the preacher. Fatal to his argument.**

Claims, answers and a path to action.

Read the claim. Demand the reason.

CLAIM 1

A later story can decide Hinduism for you.

The answer. Even the Upanishads and Mahabharat recognise the Vedas as the supreme authority. Other texts, including the Puranas, must be interpreted in their light. IRF needs to overturn this order to manufacture Muhammad left, right and centre. First change the rules of Hindu scripture. Then announce that Hindu scripture proves your prophet.

The Vedic alternative. The Vedic standard I defend judges later writings by the Vedas.

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CLAIM 2

A list of branches means the Vedas are missing.

The answer. Ask whether the number concerns the four Samhitas, recensions or explanatory traditions. Counting labels does not settle what survives.

The Vedic alternative. Open the actual Vedic text and study its transmission.

Count the texts before counting converts.

Claims are paraphrased. These are my rebuttals and the Vedic ideal I defend. Sources on page 12; the full article preserves the detailed argument.

Whose 24,000 verses?

Naik's account

Its best-known recension (by Tulsi Das, 1532-1623) consists of 24,000 rhymed couplets of 16-syllable lines organised into 7 books. The poem incorporates many ancient legends and draws on the sacred books of the Vedas. It describes the efforts of Kosala's heir, Rama, to regain his throne and rescue his wife, Sita, from the demon King of Lanka.

Sanjeev Newar's reply

My rebuttal (Almost, Dr Naik. Valmiki's Ramayana gives its own count as 24,000 verses. On what authority have you assigned that number to Tulsidas?)

How old, according to Dayanand?

Dr Naik: "3. There is no unanimous opinion regarding the date of compilation or revelation of the four Vedas. According to Swami Dayanand, founder of the Arya Samaj, the Vedas were revealed ~~1310 million years ago~~"**[My correction: 1,960,852,976 years, at the time Dayanand wrote]**

2. The Hindu reckoning and scientific estimates for the antiquity of life on Earth are of the same order: billions of years. The earliest known fossils date back about 3.5 billion years. Carl Sagan in *Cosmos*, chapter 10 acknowledges a similar correspondence between Hindu cosmic cycles and the time scales of modern cosmology, which he attributes to coincidence.

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Read the reason. Keep the sting. Share the argument.

One standard.
No convenient escape.

CLAIM 3

Disagreement lets the preacher choose the verdict.

The answer. A dispute about a date or interpretation does not establish his final prophet or his final book. Those claims still need proof.

The Vedic alternative. Study, compare and examine the evidence.

Your doubt about my text is not proof of yours.

CLAIM 4

A revered name makes a story reliable.

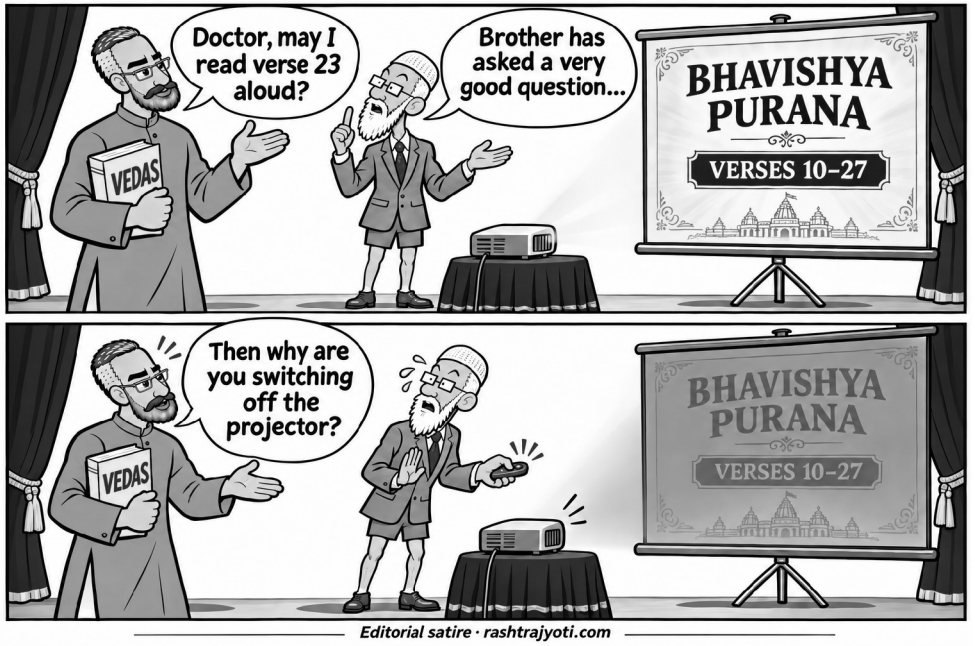
The answer. Respect for a person cannot certify every story later attached to that person. Examine the passage, its context and its authority.

The Vedic alternative. Reverence must keep its eyes open.

Read the Vedas before buying his verdict.

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Read till verse 23



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Which passage did Naik choose?

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4. Dr Naik says verses 10–27 of this chapter refer to Muhammad. In verse 23, Mahāmada assumes a demonic form. How does Dr Naik think this passage honours the Prophet? This may be the 74th sect of Islam that would go to Heaven!)

First demote the Vedas. Then promote your prophet. Convenient.



Read the reason. Keep the sting. Share the argument.

Reject the trick. Choose the Vedic ideal.

CLAIM 5

If the Vedas predict my prophet, you must leave them.

The answer. That conclusion turns against its own witness. If you invoke a text as decisive evidence, explain why its teaching may then be discarded.

The Vedic alternative. Read the whole teaching. Do not reduce it to a conversion slogan.

Your witness does not become disposable after the sales pitch.

CLAIM 6

An introduction is merely background.

The answer. The choice of authorities can plant the conclusion before the debate begins. Inspect that choice as closely as the quotations.

The Vedic alternative. Know your sources. Teach others how to examine a claim.

Choose the rule by reason, not by the salesman.

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