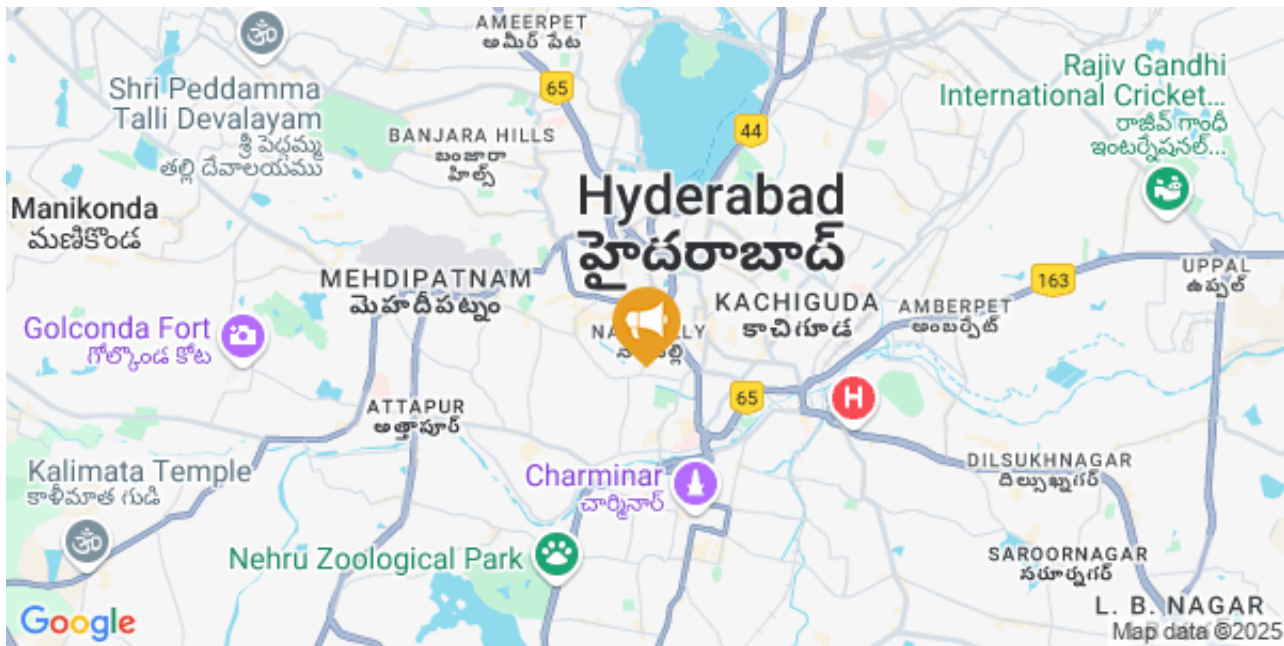


Protest

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India Tactical: Anti-Waqf Act protest slated at AIMIM Headquarters in Darussalaam, Hyderabad from 19:00 (local time) on April 19; maintain vigilance

Current Situation:

- Several Muslim groups and political parties, including All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) Jamiat Ulama-e-Hind and Jamaat-e-Islami Hind, are slated to hold a protest at AIMIM headquarters in Darussalam, Hyderabad from 19:00-22:00 (local time) on April 19.
- The protest is announced under the banner of the All-India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB).
- The protesters will denounce the legislation alleging the Waqf (Amendment) Act, 2025 prohibits the Muslim community of "rights that are accorded to other religious communities."



Source: [The Hindu](#), [The New Indian Express](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

1. The turnout at the slated gathering is likely to range in the mid-to-high hundreds, based on the participation witnessed in a similar protest in Hyderabad on April 13, coupled with the sensitivities surrounding the legislation. The attendance is likely to be bolstered if other like-minded individuals and groups join the protest. The authorities are liable to implement heightened security measures in the vicinity of the aforementioned location in accordance with standard security protocols. These measures are likely to include barricade placement and increased police deployment to monitor protest proceedings.
2. There remains a persisting risk of localized scuffles between the protesters and the police, given the sensitivities surrounding the legislation. The police will likely use forcible dispersal measures such as baton charges to quell the protesters' unruly behavior, like blocking major roads. There remains a low-level risk of intercommunal clashes should members of the state opposition Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) engage in impromptu demonstrations. Significant disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular traffic are expected in the vicinity of the aforementioned location during the protest hours due to the associated security measures on April 19.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Hyderabad on April 19 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of the Darussalaam due to the slated protest and associated risk of localized scuffles while allotting for travel disruptions.