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Statement from Tarang Chawla,

I understand why people were angry about parts of the SBS debate. Some of what was said came straight from the reality TV / men's influencer playbook, which is entrenched misogyny dressed up as truth.

Sadly, many of these voices profit from outrage and division while offering little to actually help men. The fact that SBS platformed them shows how easily even the media can be duped into thinking these people bring something of value to the conversation.

I joined knowing there'd be disagreement but with respect for opposing ideas, because harmful ideas have to be challenged in public, not left to fester online. My goal was to call them out with respect and evidence, and to show there's a healthier, more equal version of masculinity that benefits everyone. I don't know if everyone shared the same motive.