

8 POH 1761BK. (1704CE)— THE WAR OF CHAMKAUR

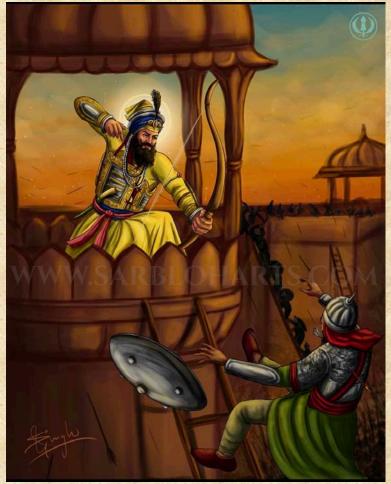




- 8 Sikhs were stationed at all the 8 windows of the fort with their bow and arrow
- 32 were given other duties
- Kotha Singh & Madan Singh were assigned to guard and protect the Main Door.
- Guru Gobind Singh, Bhai Daya Singh, Bhai Sant Singh, Baba Ajit Singh & Baba Jujhar Singh sat on the attic to launch arrows and protect the perimeter.
- Alam Singh & Maan Singh were assigned to make rounds to ensure all the Sikhs have sufficient supply.



KEEPING THE LINE OF CONTROL



After observing Nahar
Khan's death - Ghani Khan
tried to climb the fort
wall with a ladder, Guru Ji
dropped a Gurj (mace)
which killed him.

General Nahar Khan brought a ladder to climb the fort quietly and Guru Gobind Singh Ji saw him and blessed him with His arrow.

SBI GUBU GRANTH SAHIB JI ACADEMY

8 POH 1761BK. (1704CE) - AFTERNOON

Sikhs ran out of arrows, bullets and other means of distanced defense.

Guru Ji then decided to have direct ground combat with the Mughals as the last means of defending the fort by forcing the army to retreat and maintain a safe perimeter around the fort.

Sikhs were then selected in Jathas (groups) to leave the fort and confront with the attacking army in sequential manner as this will keep them engaged.

The first Jatha:

- Bhai Khajan Singh Ji
- Bhai Daan Singh Ji
- Bhai Dhian Singh Ji

All the three Sikhs fought bravely and attained their martyrdom after combating courageously in a manner that the world never saw before.



2ND JATHA — PYARE BHAI MOKHAM SINGH JI

Pyare Bhai Mokham Singh Ji (28 years old) came with folded hands and bowed in reverence to Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji for allowing and blessing him to fight alone with the huge army all alone. Guru Sahib gave His blessing and Pyare Bhai Mokham Singh fought vigorously forcing Mughals to retreat and becoming unparalleled warrior. He fought on till he was hit from treacherous blows from the back. Pyare Bhai Mokham Singh stood his foot till the last drop of his blood.

Chirion se main baaz turaun, Tabe Gobind Singh naam kahaun

It is when I make sparrows fight hawks that I am called Gobind Singh

Gidderon se main sher banaun, Tabe Gobind Singh naam kahaun

It is when make I make lions out of wolves that I am called Gobind Singh

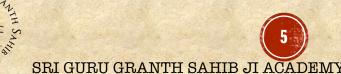
Nichon se main ucch banaun, Tabe Gobind Singh naam kahaun

It is when I make the lowly rise that I am called Gobind Singh

Sawa lakh se ek laraun, Tabe Gobind Singh naam kahaun.

It is when I make one fight a hundred thousand that I am called Gobind Singh







- They attacked like falcons with their swords and cleared the entire frontage of the fort
- They were shot with rain of arrows and bullets.
- Finally attained Shahidi.

3RD JATHA

- Pyare Bhai Sahib Singh
- Pyare Bhai Himmat Singh



LOOKING UPON THE BATTLEFIELD

मुक्र मुरीस बरे उिंग मैं भाग मुस्त उत्वत अपारे।

As the Singhs were attaining Martyrdom after killing uncountable amount of enemies and their Generals,

भेर बने गुन र्रीन नरे नन पंत गुन मिम पंत पिनाने।

Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji looked upon the battlefield in a state of bliss and said, "Blessed are these Gursikhs, Blessed are my beloved ones."

Sri Gur Panth Perkash, Giani Gian Singh



4TH JATHA — 2 SINGHS OF PANJ MUKTE

- Bhai Isher Singh Ji
- Bhai Dewa Singh Ji

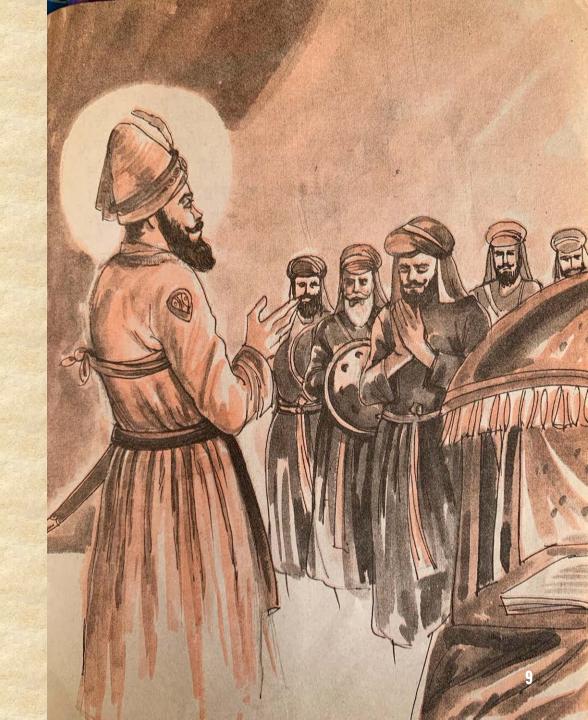




FIRST REQUEST

Pyare Bhai Daya Singh came to Guru Gobind Singh Ji's audience and requested Guru Ji to leave the fort with Baba Ajit Singh and Baba Jujhar Singh.

• Guru Ji refused and insisted to be with His Sikhs till the end.





5TH JATHA

- Bhai Mehar Singh
- Bhai Kirat Singh
- Bhai Anand Singh
- Bhai Lal Singh
- Bhai Kesar Singh
- Bhai Amolak Singh

Till now the following Mughal generals had died;

- Nahar Khan
- Gerat Khan
- Gul Sher Khan
- Khwaja Mardud
- Mughals retreat to restrategize the war and prepared for the second strong attack.







भुँउनं से सकी

ਦੋਹਰਾ। ਅਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਜਝਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਤਾ ਗੁਰ ਲਯੋ ਬੁਲਾਇ।

Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji called upon Baba Ajit Singh Ji and Baba Jujhar Singh Ji,

ਬੈਸ ਕੁਮਾਰੋ ਜਾਹਿ ਕੀ ਕਹਯੋ ਐਸ ਸਮਝਾਇ। ੨੦।

Both sons of the Guru who were of a young age came and Guru

"ਹੇ ਸੂਤ! ਤੂਮ ਹਮ ਕੋ ਹੋ ਪਯਾਰੇ। ਤੂਰਕ ਨਾਸ ਹਿਤ ਤੂਮ ਤਨ ਧਾਰੇ।

Dear Sons, You are my beloved. You have come into this Human form to destroy the Mughals (Tyranny),

ਜੇ ਅਪਨੇ ਸਿਰ ਰਨ ਮੈਂ ਲਾਗੇ। ਤਾ ਕਰ ਨਾਸ ਮਲੇਛ ਸੁਭਾਗੇ।

And this purpose can only be fulfilled if you sacrifice yourselves in the battlefield after killing them,

ਤਾ ਤੇ ਯਾ ਸਮ ਸਮਾ ਨ ਕੋਈ। ਤੁਮ ਦੋਨਹੁ ਸੰਗਰ ਭਲ ਜੋਈ। "

There will be no better time than this to fulfill the purpose of your lives so the both of you should go and get engrossed in the Battlefield."



BABA AJIT SINGH

All the remaining Singhs were preparing to go for the second time to request Guru to leave the fort but they saw Baba Ajit Singh was already asking for blessings to go for the war.

Guru Ji said:

ਜਾੳ ਸੁਰਮੇ, ਸੂਰਮਿਆਂ ਦੇ ਸੂਰਮੇ ਰਣ ਵਿਚ ਜਾੳ ਤੇ ਲੋਹਾ ਕਰੋ, ਨਿਸੰਕ ਲੋਹਾ ਕਰੋ।

Go Warrior, You are the warrior of all warriors. Go to the battlefield and and fight valiantly



Baba Ajit Singh Ji replied; ਨਾਮ ਕਾ ਅਜੀਤ ਹੂੰ ਜੀਤਾ ਨਾ ਜਾਉਗਾਂ। ਜੀਤਾ ਬੀ ਗਇਆ , ਤੋਂ ਜੀਤਾ ਨਹੀ ਆਉਗਾਂ।

Ajit Singh is my Name, I shall never be conquered and if I am conquered I shall never return alive



6TH JATHA

- Baba Ajit Singh (18 years old)
- Bhai Alam Singh
- Bhai Jwahar Singh Maha Yodha
- Bhai Dhian Singh Yogi Raj
- Bhai Sukha Singh Gun Specialist
- Bhai Bir Singh Sword Specialist

They rode their horses right into the forces in all directions. The Mughals were forced to retreat as they couldn't bare the force which was extra ordinary.

ਦੋਹਰਾ। ਲੇਤ ਪਰੋਇ ਪਠਾਨ ਕੋ ਸਬਹਨ ਸਾਂਗ ਦਿਖਲਾਇ। ਦੇਖਤ ਹੀ ਸਭ ਕਰਤ ਹੈ ਅਰੇ ਖੁਦਾਇ ਖੁਦਾਇ।

(ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰ ਸੋਭਾ – ਕਵੀ ਸੈਨਾਪਤਿ – ਪੰਨਾ ੧੨੬ (ਸੰਪਾਦਕ ਗੰਡਾ ਸਿੰਘ)

Dohra: Baba Ajit Singh pierced through the Pathans in the Warfield with His sparrow. Observing such valor, all applauded Oh God! Khuda! Khuda!

(Ref: Sri Guru Sobha – Kavi Sainapat)





BABA AJIT SINGH JI





ਸ਼ਹਜ਼ਾਦਾ-ਏ-ਜ਼ੀ-ਸ਼ਾਹ ਨੇ ਭਾਗੜ ਸੀ ਮਚਾ ਦੀ।

The kingly son of the Guru, Sahibzada Baba Ajit Singh Ji caused a havoc in the battlefield,

ਯਿਹ ਫ਼ੌਜ ਭਗਾ ਦੀ, ਕਭੀ ਵੂਹ ਫ਼ੌਜ ਭਗਾ ਦੀ।

The Mughals started running away from him in all directions,

ਬੜ੍ਹ-ਚੜ੍ਹ ਕੇ ਤਵੱਕੋ ਸੇ ਸ਼ੁਜਾਅਤ ਜੋ ਦਿਖਾ ਦੀ।

He showed great bravery while fighting the tyrants,

ਸਤਿਗੁਰ ਨੇ ਵਹੀਂ ਕਿਲੇ ਸੇ ਬੱਚੇ ਕੋ ਨਿਦਾ ਦੀ ।

Guru Ji blessed Baba Ajit Singh Ji through His graceful vision from the mud fort of Chamkaur Sahib,

ਸ਼ਾਬਾਸ਼ ਪਿਸਰ ਖ਼ੂਬ ਦਲੇਰੀ ਸੇ ਲੜੇ ਹੋ।

Guru Ji said, "Well done my son, you've fought very fearlessly."

ਹਾਂ, ਕਯੋਂ ਨ ਹੋ, ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਕੇ ਫ਼ਰਜ਼ੰਦ ਬੜੇ ਹੋ

Allah Yaar Khan says, "Why wouldn't Baba Ajit Singh Ji fight well, after all he is the son of the Guru."

BABA AJIT SINGH'S SHAHEEDI

- Baba Ajit Singh Ji's quiver were empty of arrows.
- He took his spear and was surrounded, all other singh came to help.
- Baba Ji went further inside the thick army and killed uncountable leaders and the spear was then stuck in an armour and broke.
- Baba Ji unsheathed his sword.
- He later saw Anwar Khan who was commanding his army. Baba Ji went to him & struck him with his Katar, by then he was surrounded.

Baba Ajit Singh Ji was then struck with arrow, bullets and spears. His body was pierced by over 320 arrows and many bullets before he blew His last breath.



BABA AJIT SINGH JI



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AFTER OBTAINING BLESSINGS FROM SRI GURU GOBIND SINGH JI,

महा संधु भावे बीष्ण मुंग में महारिष्ण।

BABA AJIT SINGH JI STEPPED INTO THE BATTLEFIELD AND KILLED HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS,

र्रेष्ट ਉਮ੍ਹਾਵ भावे मुंग मान रित्र बीमा

BABA JI KILLED 2 GENERALS AND FOUGHT IN THE BATTLEFIELD FOR THE WHOLE DAY

हडे गुनारि बे मुणीस गुन नारिका।

TOWARDS THE END, BABA AJIT SINGH JI ROARED,
"WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA WAHEGURU JI KI FATEH" AND
ATTAINED MARTYRDOM



SRI GURU GOBIND SINGH'S CHARDIKALA

Guru Ji uttered the following Shabad upon the Shaheedi of Sahibzada Baba Ajit Singh Ji;

ਜਿਸ ਕੀ ਬਸਤੁ ਤਿਸੁ ਆਗੈ ਰਾਖੈ ॥

I have just offered Almighty's gift back to Him,

ਪ੍ਰਭ ਕੀ ਆਗਿਆ ਮਾਨੈ ਮਾਥੈ ॥

and have willingly accepted Almighty's will,

ਉਸ ਤੇ ਚਉਗੁਨ ਕਰੈ ਨਿਹਾਲੁ ॥

In return, Almighty blesses with 4-fold of gifts.

ਨਾਨਕ ਸਾਹਿਬੁ ਸਦਾ ਦਇਆਲੁ ॥੨॥

(२६८-१२, गिड्डी मुधमती, भः ४)

Guru Nanak, the Master is always benevolent. ||2||



REQUEST BY BABA JUJHAR SINGH JI



ਬੇਟੇ ਕੋ ਸ਼ਹਾਦਤ ਮਿਲੀ ਦੇਖਾ ਜੋ ਪਿਦਰ ਨੇ।

When Guru Gobind Singh Ji saw his son attaining martyrdom in the battlefield,

ਤੂਫ਼ਾਂ ਬਪਾ ਗ਼ਮ ਸੇ ਕੀਯਾ ਦੀਦਾ-ਏ-ਤਰ ਨੇ ।

Looking at this, Guru Ji was in a spirit high as a raging storm,

ਇਸ ਵਕਤ ਕਹਾ ਨੰਨ੍ਹੇ ਸੇ ਮਾਸੂਮ ਪਿਸਰ ਨੇ।

At the same time, Guru Ji's younger son, Sahibzada Baba Jujhar Singh Ji came forward to Guru Ji,

ਰੁਖ਼ਸਤ ਹਮੇਂ ਦਿਲਵਾਉ ਪਿਤਾ ਜਾਏਂਗੇ ਮਰਨੇ।

Baba Jujhar Singh Ji said, "Please grant me the permission to go into the battlefield now to sacrifice myself for the faith,

ਭਾਈ ਸੇ ਬਿਛੜ ਕਰ ਹਮੇਂ ਜੀਨਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਆਤਾ ।

I do not know how to live without my brother by my side,

ਸੋਨਾ ਨਹੀਂ, ਖਾਨਾ ਨਹੀਂ, ਪੀਨਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਭਾਤਾ।

I don't know how to sleep, eat and nor do I know how to drink without him."



BABA JUJHAR SINGH

- Observing Baba Ajit Singh's Shahidi, Baba Jujhar Singh came to Guru Ji to request for the honour to be in the war.
- Guru Ji: You have never participated in this sought war
- Baba Ji said, ਲੜਨਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਆਤਾ ਮੁਝੇ ; ਮਰਨਾ ਤੋ ਹੈ ਆਤਾ ।

ਖ਼ੁਦ ਬੜ੍ਹ ਕੇ ਗਲਾ ਤੇਗ਼-ਪਿ ਧਰਨਾ ਤੋਂ ਹੈ ਆਤਾ।

Although I may not have the combat skills but I surely know how to die, at least I know how to keep my neck on the sharp edge of a sword



SRI GURU GRANTH SAHIB JI ACADEMY

GURU JI GRANTING PERMISSION



ਲੋ ਜਾਓ, ਸਿਧਾਰੋ ! ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਅੱਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੋ ਸੌਂਪਾ !

Guru Ji replied, "Go my son, I have given you to Almighty,

ਮਰ ਜਾਓ ਯਾ ਮਾਰੋ ; ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਅੱਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੇ ਸੌਂਪਾ !

Either you kill or get killed, I have given you to Almighty,

ਰੱਬ ਕੋ ਨ ਬਿਸਾਰੋ ; ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਅੱਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੋ ਸੌਂਪਾ !

Do not forget Almighty, I have given you to Him,

ਸਿੱਖੀ ਕੋ ਉਭਾਰੋ ; ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਅੱਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੋ ਸੌਂਪਾ !

Go and resurrect Sikhi, I have given you to Almighty,

ਵਾਂਹਗੁਰੂ ਅਬ ਜੰਗ ਕੀ ਹਿੰਮਤ ;ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਬਖ਼ਸ਼ੇ !

May Waheguru bless you with all the strength to fight this battle,

ਪਯਾਸੇ ਹੋ ਬਹੁਤ ਜਾਮ-ਏ-ਸ਼ਹਾਦਤ; ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਬਖ਼ਸ਼ੇ!

Since you are longing for it, may Waheguru bless you with martyrdom as you wish,



GURU JI'S BLESSINGS UPON HIS SON



ਬੇਟਾ, ਹੋ ਤੁਮ ਹੀ ਪੰਥ ਕੇ ਬੇੜੇ ਕੇ ਖ਼ਿਵੱਯਾ।

Son, you are the captain of this ship of Khalsa Panth,

ਸਰ ਭੇਂਟ ਕਰੋ ਤਾਕਿ ਧਰਮ ਕੀ ਚਲੇ ਨੱਯਾ।

Go and sacrifice your head for the flourishment of faith,

ਲੇ ਦੇ ਕੇ ਤੁਮ੍ਹੀਂ ਥੇ ਮਿਰੇ ਗੁਲਸ਼ਨ ਕੇ ਬਕੱਯਾ ।

Water the flower of this faith with your blood,

ਲੋ ਜਾਓ, ਰਾਹ ਤਕਤੇ ਹੈਂ ਸਬ ਖ਼ੁਲਦ ਮੇਂ ਭੱਯਾ ।

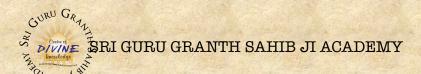
Go and fight this battle now, your brother is waiting for you in the afterlife,

ਖ਼ਵਾਹਿਸ਼ ਹੈ ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਤੇਗ਼ ਚਲਾਤੇ ਹੂਏ ਦੇਖੇਂ!

I wish to see you, use your sword in the battlefield,

ਹਮ ਆਂਖ ਸੇ ਬਰਛੀ ਤੁਮ੍ਹੇਂ ਖਾਤੇ ਹੂਏ ਦੇਖੇਂ !!

I also wish to see you get pierced by a spear while fighting.



BABA JI'S GRANDEUR IN THE BATTLEFIELD

ਦਸ ਬੀਸ ਕੋ ਜ਼ਖ਼ਮੀ ਕੀਯਾ ਦਸ ਬੀਸ ਕੋ ਮਾਰਾ।

ਇਕ ਹਮਲੇ ਮੇਂ ਇਸ ਏਕ ਨੇ ਇਕੀਸ ਕੋ ਮਾਰਾ।

ਖ਼ੱਨਾਸ ਕੋ ਮਾਰਾ ਕਭੀ ਇਬਲੀਸ ਕੋ ਮਾਰਾ।

ਗ਼ੁਲ ਮਚ ਗਯਾ ਇਕ ਤਿਫ਼ਲ ਨੇ ਚਾਲੀਸ ਕੋ ਮਾਰਾ।

ਬਚ ਬਚ ਕੇ ਲੜੋ ਕਲਗ਼ੀਓਂ ਵਾਲੇ ਕੇ ਪਿਸਰ ਸੇ।

ਯਿਹ ਨੀਮਚਾ ਲਾਏ ਹੈਂ ਗੁਰੂ ਜੀ ਕੀ ਕਮਰ ਸੇ।

- Baba Jujhar Singh Ji wounded 10-20 people while killing the other 10-20 of them,
- In one blow, he alone killed 21 soldiers,
- Baba Ji killed all of the fierce looking soldiers and generals of the army,
- A havoc was caused when the Mughals saw Baba Ji alone killing 40 people in one go,
- The Mughals tried defending themselves from Baba Ji,
- As he had brought a sword belonging to Guru Gobind Singh Ji with himself,



7TH JATHA

- Baba Jujhar Singh (14 years old)
- Bhai Sahib Singh
- Bhai Sukha Singh
- Bhai Lakha Singh
- Bhai Chaupa Singh

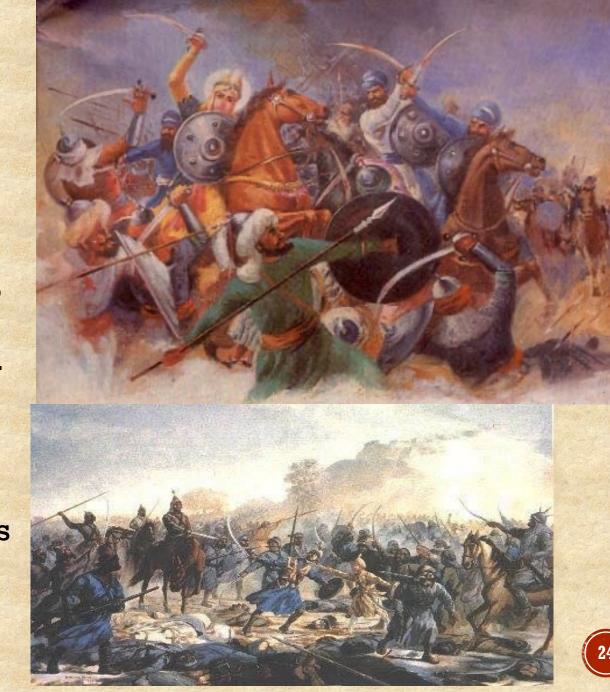






BABA JUJHAR SINGH

- Baba Jujhar Singh rode his horse as though it was a lightning striking with great speed and impact.
- Baba Ji demonstrated the most fierce battle and everyone was astonished to see a young boy with enormous courage and strength for over an hour.
- Baba Ji was then surrounded and the rain of arrows and bullets struck at once.
- Baba Ji fell from his horse and thus was the Shaheedi



BABA JUJHAR SINGH JI

मी मुक्का मिंथ विष्णु वा मार सी ਉग्व निम प्रिया पामे व्याविष्णु में नीवा वे वसंहरे।

Sri Jujhar Singh Ji who was 11 Years of age asked Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji for His blessings to fight in the Battle,

भुगुरु भुठाट मार्वे उववां से सर जावे भुध हिस पाम सै वे जा भूँ सा गांहरी

As Baba Ji entered the Battlefield, the Mughals suffered severe casualties and started chanting "Ya Allah" knowing their end is near,

ਕਈ ਉਮ੍ਹਾਵ ਮਾਰੇ ਹੌਸਲਾ ਉਚੇਹਾ ਧਾਰੇ ਹੋ ਗਏ ਸ਼ਹੀਦ ਗੁਰ ਫਤੇ ਕੇ ਥੁਲਾਂਵਦੇ।

Baba Jujhar Singh Ji killed their Generals and being in a high spirit, attained Martyrdom,

मुजिगुव जिञ्जाव बरे मुंबव बवजाव बै निमुबी अभावज मुंबाकी जिम बांहरी।

Upon witnessing the martyrdom of His son, The True Guru, Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji thanked Almighty for taking back what belonged to Almighty in the first place.



REHRAAS - AFTER 15 HOURS OF WAR

Guru Gobind Singh Ji did Rehraas and Ardaas Himself.

Upon which Guru Ji uttered;

ਕਬੀਰ ਮੇਰਾ ਮੁਝ ਮਹਿ ਕਿਛੁ ਨਹੀਂ ਜੋ ਕਿਛੁ ਹੈ ਸੋ ਤੇਰਾ ॥

ਤੇਰਾ ਤੁਝ ਕਉ ਸਉਪਤੇ ਕਿਆ ਲਾਗੈ ਮੇਰਾ ॥੨੦੩॥

Kabeer says there is nothing that I own within my possession as all that there is belongs to you.

All that rightfully belong to You is return to Your possession therefore what is left that can referred to me.



SRI GURU GRANTH SAHIB JI ACADEMY

SECOND REQUEST

 Pyare Bhai Daya Singh along with 5 Singhs came to Guru Gobind Singh Ji's audience and requested Guru Ji to leave the fort.

ਹਮ ਜੈਸਾ ਤੁਮ ਕਰਹੁ ਜਨੁ ਲਾਖੋਂ ਹਮ ਕੋ ਤੁਮ ਏਕੈ ਜਗਦੀਸ।

You may create hundreds of thousand Sikhs like us but for us, You are the only One Master of the world.

 Guru Ji could not say no to the Panth





LEAVING THE FORT

Guru Ji decided He would leave with

- Pyare Daya Singh Ji
- Pyare Bhai Dharam Singh
- Bhai Maan Singh Ji
- •Guru Ji agreed with a condition that He will prefer everyone including Mughals to be aware of his departure.





THE LAST DEFENSE

In the fort

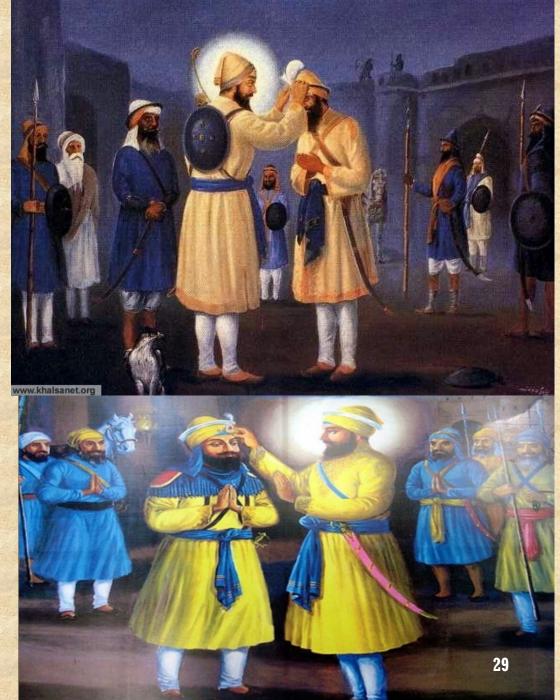
- Bhai Sant Singh
- Bhai Sanggat Singh

War Drummer

- Bhai Jivan Singh
- Bhai Kala Singh

On Towers

- Bhai Ram Singh Ji
- Bhai Kehar Singh Ji
- Bhai Santokh Singh Ji
- Bhai Deva Singh Ji





BOON TO THE MARTYRS

मुं मिंभूत वी षीवं प्रिष् गुव वै प्रमुंत्।

Seeing the bravery of His sons (Khalsa), Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji was delighted,

वर्णे मी भूभ डै उष्टै बरे मत्म हित प्रंत्।

Guru Ji then while blessing the Martyred said, "Blessed are all these martyrs,

Who have fought in the Battle bravely and attained G_R martyrdom instead of showing their backs,

ਭगुउ मुगीम मु प्रस् लगै में प्रस् हिंग मुत लेंड।

They have attained the equal state of one who meditates for ages to attain Almighty,

मुहल मुत्रम पुंड मुगुंड भे डीत मुत्र वे चेंड।

Three types of people are deemed to be capable of fulfilling the purpose of life,

And it is those who Give (donate, providers), Warriors and those who merge into Almighty's Formless Form through Meditation."

मी गुर भेष भ्राम, निष्णती निष्णत मिंभ

महा लाभ में देव लड़ा है उद्ये ग्रीवंस मिंथ ताम वरा है



SAKA

CHAMKAUR SAHIB

मुंग देव जिंद में जीवम वै पाउवा वे सीपे । वटा मां में मुंग है मुंग भू में मुग वे सीपे । सम्बंध वै मिया वी सम्बंध जेते में में, पार्यी में मह वे मुज़ वे मुम वे सीपे ।

There is a shrine on the land of Hindustran where a father sacrificed his sons in the battlefield for the sake of Almighty.

A shine of grace is infused in the Land of Chamkaur; This is where stars were made for the sky to shine bright

- Ganj-E-Shaheedan, Allah Yaar Khan



A CHALLENGE TO MUGHALS

ਗਇਆ ਹਿੰਦ ਪੀਰ ਕਹਿ ਤਾਲੀ ਬਜਾਈ। ਪਿਛੇ ਕਹਾ ਖੁਆਜ ਪਕਰੋ ਸਹਾਈ।

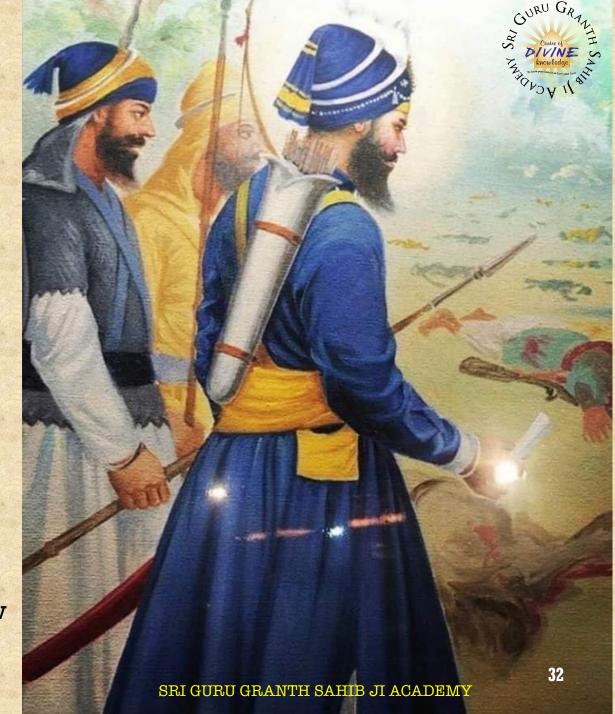
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Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji by clapping and announcing His departure calling upon the opponent army to stop Him if they can.

ਬੁਝ ਗਈ ਤਬੈ ਨਸਾਲ ਨਬਾਬੁ ਸੰਘਾਰਿਆ। ਹੋ ਆਪਸ ਮੋ ਲਰ ਪਰੇ ਤਲਾਵੈ ਸਰਿਯਾ।

(ਸਿੰਘ ਸਾਗਰ – ਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ – ਪੰਨਾ ੧੩੦ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਯੂਨੀਵਰਸਿਟੀ ਪਟਿਆਲਾ)

When the Mughals heard Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji's voice and the clapping, they rushed towards Guru Ji with torches in their hands, Guru Ji launched an arrow which put off their torches and they started attacking each other.

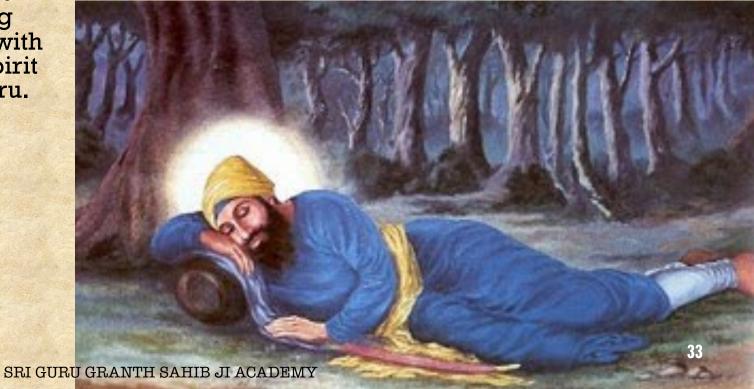


- The Mughal managed to come close to Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji but the three companion Sikhs stood as a shield to protect and keep the path clear for Guru Ji.
- Observing the field with bodies piled and bodies of beloved GurSikhs, Guru Ji removed His footwear and walked barefooted in the pitch dark night.
- Guru Ji's feet were pierced by thorns and the feet was swollen.
- Guru Ji laid down on bare ground with a pot made as a pillow in open during the chilling winter night. Although He was challenged with the most intolerable situation but in high spirit he uttered the praises of Almighty Waheguru.

ਮਿਤ੍ਰ ਪਿਆਰੇ ਨੂੰ ਹਾਲੁ ਮੁਰੀਦਾਂ ਦਾ ਕਹਣਾ ॥
ਤੁਧੁ ਬਿਨੁ ਰੋਗੁ ਰਜਾਇਆ ਦਾ ਓਢਣ
ਨਾਗ ਨਿਵਾਸਾ ਦੇ ਰਹਣਾ ॥
ਸੂਲ ਸੁਰਾਹੀ ਖੰਜਰੁ ਪਿਯਾਲਾ
ਬਿੰਗੁ ਕਸਾਈਆ ਦਾ ਸਹਣਾ ॥
ਯਾਰੜੇ ਦਾ ਸਾਨੂੰ ਸਥਰੁ ਚੰਗਾ
ਭੱਠ ਖੇੜਿਆ ਦਾ ਰਹਣਾ ॥੧॥੧॥੬॥

MACHIWARA

The next day the three GurSikhs, Pyare
Bhai Dya Singh Ji, Pyare Bhai Dharam Singh
and Bhai Maan Singh Ji found Guru Ji
Seeing the condition of Guru Ji's feet, Bhai
Maan Singh Ji carried Guru Ji on His
shoulders.





MATA GUJAR KAUR JI & SAHIBZADA BABA ZORAWAR SINGH & BABA FATEH SINGH

Arrested & taken
as prosinors
through the
unbearable chill
of winter in open
bullcart from
from Kheri to
Morinda

IN KHERI - GANGGU'S LOOT

ਰੈਨ ਪਰੀ ਜਬ ਸਭਸੈ ਗਏ ॥ ਮੁਹਰਨ ਦਾਬਤ ਦਿਜ ਜੁ ਭਏ ॥

(ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰ ਪਦ ਪ੍ਰਮ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ - ਕ੍ਰਿਤ ਬਾਬਾ ਸੁਮੇਰ ਸਿੰਘ)

When the darkness of night came and all were sleeping, Ganggu took this opportunity to carry the bag of gold coin from the possession of Mata Gujar Kaur Ji and bury it in the ground. (Ref: Sri Gur Pad Prem Perkash by Baba Sumer Singh)

ਚੌਪਾਈ।

ਭਈ ਰੈਨ ਖੁਰਜੀ ਤਿਨ ਲੀਨੀ॥ ਜਾ ਕਰ ਚੋਏ ਮਹਿ ਗੱਡ ਦੀਨੀ ॥ ਮੁੜ ਆਯੋ ਤਬ ਆਪਨੇ ਦਵਾਰਾ ॥ ਭਈ ਭੋਰ ਤਬ ਫੇਰ ਸਿਧਾਰਾ॥

(ਕ੍ਰਿਤ – ਭਾਈ ਦੁੱਨਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਹੰਡੂਰੀਆ)

During the night Ganggu took the bag of gold coin and buried it in the verandah. He came back into the house and went back in the morning to collect. (Ref: Bhai Duna Singh Handuria)

ਪਾਛੇ ਜੋ ਚੰਡਾਰ ਕ੍ਰਿਤ ਕੀਨਾ। ਖੁਰਜੀ ਕਾਢ ਧਰਨ ਗਡ ਦੀਨਾ। ਮਧਿ ਖਡ ਗਾਢੀ ਤਬ ਜਾਇ। ਮੁਹਰ ਰੁਪੈਯੇ ਖੁਰਜੀ ਧਾਇ।

(ਗੁਰਬਿਲਾਸ ਪਾਤਸਾਹੀ ੧੦ – ਭਾਈ ਸੁਖਾ ਸਿੰਘ)

The wicked Ganggu did the most lowly act by stealing the gold coin pot and hiding it by means burying it in the ground. (Ref: Gurbilas Patshahi 10 by Bhai Sukha Singh)



 Next morning, Mata Ji asked Ganggu if he has taken the sack of gold coins as she saw him removing it last night.

ਦਹਰਾ।

ਤਬ ਗ੍ਰਿਹ ਮੈਂ ਐਸੇ ਕਹੈ, ਈਹਾਂ ਖੁਰਜੀ ਨਾਹਿ॥ ਕੋ ਜਾਨੈ ਕਿਨ ਗਹਿ ਲਈ, ਹਮ ਕੋ ਸੋਝੀ ਨਾਹਿ॥ ਤਬ ਮਾਤਾ ਜੀ ਯਹ ਕਹਯੋ, ਭਲੀ ਹੁਈ ਦੇਹੁ ਜਾਨ॥ ਜੌ ਹਮ ਬਚੇ ਤੋਂ ਕਿਆ ਕਮੀ, ਮਾਯਾ ਹਮ ਤੇ ਆਨ॥ ਤਬ ਮਸੰਦ ਐਸੇ ਕਹੈ, ਹਮ ਕੌ ਤੁਹਮਤ ਦੇਹਿੰ॥ ਹਮ ਘਰ ਤੇ ਤੂੰ ਜਾਹਿ ਅਬ, ਹਮ ਸੌ ਕੈਸਾ ਨੇਹੁ॥

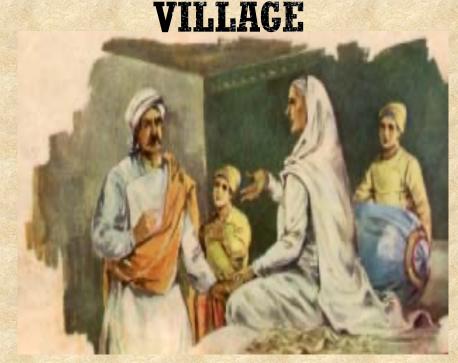
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Ganggu came back home and said to Mata Ji 'The gold coin jar is missing. I don't know as most probably its stolen'.

Mata Ji replied, 'Its good, let it go. What is more precious than having my family safe as wealth has never exhausted in the house of Guru Nanak.

Ganggu said, 'Are you blaming me? You just get out of my house now as this how you appreciate me.'

8 POH 1761 (1704CE), EARLY MORNING AT GANGU'S RESIDENCE KHERI



- Ganggu started shouting, Mata Ji asked him to forget about it as for her the gold was meaningless.
- In order for Ganggu to secure the gold coin for himself and enjoy the wealth, he decided to lodge a report to get rid of Mata Ji and young Sahibzades.



8 POH 1761 (1704CE), LATE MORNING

AT CANGU'S RESIDENCE - KHERI VILLAGE

- Ganggu tried poisoning Mata Ji and Sahibzade by asking his mother Soobi to mix poison in their food, however his mother refused. (Ref: Shaheed Bilas & Gurdwara Darshan by Gyani Thakur Singh)
- On the purpose to attract attention, Ganggu started shouting at Mata Ji that she called him a thief who had risked his life to save her and her grandsons.
- Later, he came out of the house and announced loudly that Guru Gobind Singh's mother and young Sahibzade are with him.
- He went to the village chief (Sarpanch) and he immediately sent his people to guard Ganggu's house so that Mata Ji and Sahibzade do not escape.





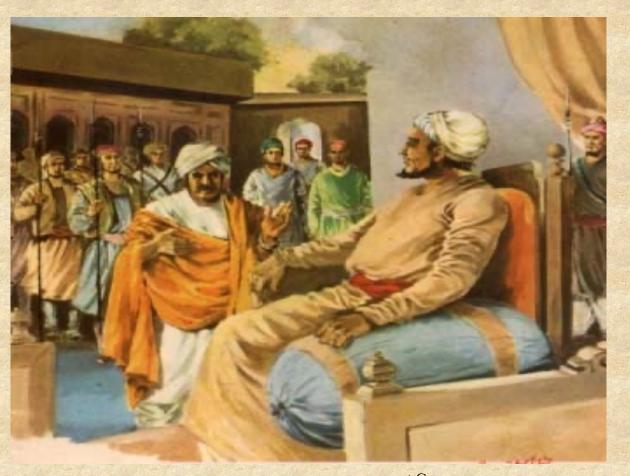
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(ਭਾਈ ਦੁਨਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਹੰਡੂਰੀਆ)

- To make matters worse, Ganggu under the intense influence of greed went along with the village head (sarpanch) to the Police station in Morinda.
- He told the Kotwal (Head of Police) that he has Guru Gobind Singh Ji's mother and younger son with him at his place and asked for the bounty money.
- Kotwal immediately assigned two of his soldiers to arrest Mata Ji and Sahibzade. He ordered for a message to be sent to Nawab Wazir Khan in Sirhand.

8 POH 1761 (1704CE), AFTERNOON

AT GANGU'S RESIDENCE KHERI VILLAGE







- The Kotwal assigned his two soldiers (who were brothers) by the name of Jani Khan & Mani Khan to arrest Mata Ji and her young grandsons.
- The people of Village Kheri came to protect Mata Ji but Mata Ji stopped them by saying that it is the Will of Waheguru so let the fate takes its cause.
- The people of Kheri were cursing Ganggu for his betrayal and excommunicated him.

8 POH 1761 (1704CE), LATE AFTERNOON

AT GANGU'S RESIDENCE KHERI VILLAGE



8 POH 1761 (1704CE), EVENING

AT KOTWAL, MORINDA

- The Kotwal interrogated Mata Ji to find out the where beings of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji and other accompanying Sikhs.
- Mata Ji told that she is also eager to find out where her separated family has gone.
- The messenger came back with an order from Nawab Wazir Khan to escort Mata Ji along with Baba Jorawar Singh and Baba Fateh Singh Ji to Sirhand immediately





As the night fall, Mata Ji and both the Sahibzade was kept in a prison at Morinda.

They were not provided with any blanket nor mattress during the chilling winter month.

ਜਾਨੀ ਮਾਨੀ ਰੰਗੜ ਦੁਇ ਭਾਈ, ਉਨ ਆਨ ਮੁਰੰਡੇ ਘਰ ਰਖੇ ਬਹਾਈ। ਇਕ ਸਾਂਭੇ ਇਕ ਗਯੋ ਸਿਰਹੰਦ, ਫੜਾਇ ਬਜੀਦੈ ਕਰ ਦਏ ਬੰਦ।

(ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰ ਪੰਥ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ – ਭਾਈ ਰਤਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਭੰਗੂ)

Jani Khan stayed back in Morinda to guard the prison meanwhile Mani Khan went to Sirhand to inform Wazir Khan. After which Wazir Khan imprisoned them in Sirhand.

Mata Ji held the Sahibzade tight to keep them warm.

8 POH 1761 (1704CE), NIGHT

AT KOTWALI (PRISON) MORINDA





