

I AM NOT CAPABLE OF SINGING THE PRAISES OF SRI GURU HAR RAI SAHIB JI,

GURU JI IS ALWAYS IN A STATE OF TRANQUILITY

HIS PRAISES ARE SUNG THROUGHOUT THE CREATION

- Kavi Bhagat Singh

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THE GREAT SRI GURU HAR RAI SAHIB JI

ਰੰਕ ਬਿਸਾਲ ਕੀਏ ਹੈਂ ਭੂਪਾਲ, ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾਲ ਗੁਰੁ ਹਰਿ ਰਾਇ ਮਹਾਨਾ। Great Guru Har Rai is the house of blessings who made poor into kings

ਬਾਣੀ ਅਦਬ ਸਿਖਾਵਨ ਕਾਰਨ, ਚੋਟ ਸਹੀ ਮਧੁ ਜਾਨ ਠਿਕਾਨਾ। He endured the pain of a wound on His knee to teach us how to respect Gurbani

ਨਾਮ ਵਾਹਿਗੁਰੂ ਦੀਨ ਦਿਆਲ, ਸੁ ਆਤਮ ਏਕ ਸੋਈ ਭਗਵਾਨਾ। He is no other then the merciful to meek, Almighty Himself whom we recite as Waheguru

ਅਚੁਤ ਰੂਪ ਸਦਾ ਸੁਖਦਾਇਕ, ਬੰਦਨ ਕੈ ਦੇਹਿ ਨਾਮ ਕੋ ਦਾਨਾ।

He is the form of everlasting, giver of eternal happiness; by just a simple gesture of bowing, He blesses the most precious gift of NAAM.

(Sri Gurmukh Perkash by Sant Gyani Gurbachan Singh Ji Khalsa Bhindrawale)

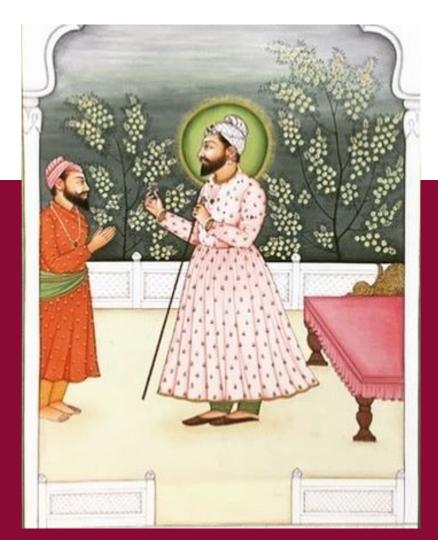
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Summary

Family Background







Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji

FATHER Baba Gurditta Ji

MOTHER Mata Nihal Kaur Ji (aka Netti Ji)

GREAT GREAT GRANDFATHER Guru Ram Das Ji

GREAT GRANDFATHER Guru Arjan Dev Ji

GRANDFATHER Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji **FATHER-IN-LAW**

Baba Deya Ram Ji Mata Ananti Ji (also known as Mata Juwala Ji & Mata

MOTHER-IN-LAW Goran Ji)

LINEAGE

SIBLING

Sunday, Magh Sudhi 14, 1687 (B) -

DATE OF BIRTH 5th February 1630 A.D.

PLACE OF BIRTH

Kiratpur Sahib

Sodhi of Khatri caste

Dhir Mal (13 Magh 1683 Bikarmi)



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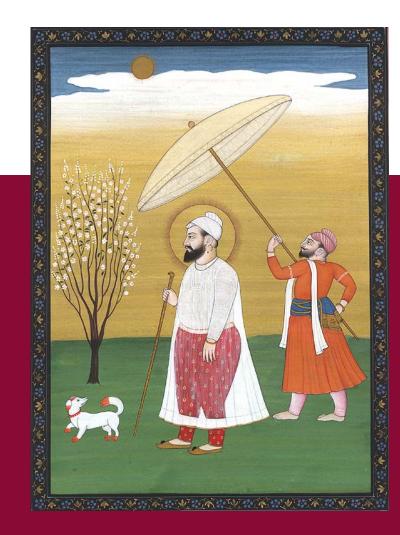
Perkash

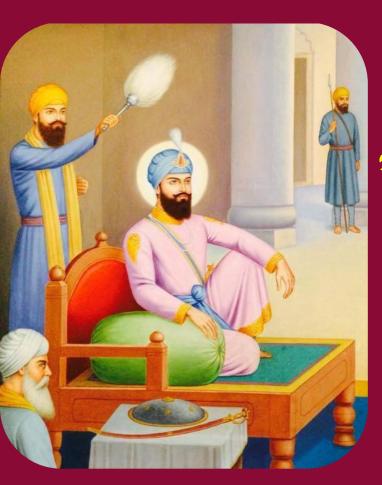
Birth of Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji



The most merciful, giver of kingdoms, greatest master, donor of all happiness and the vanisher of sins

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ਦੋਹਰਾ:

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸਤਿਗੁਰ ਹਰਿਰਾਇ ਕੇ, ਨਾਇ ਧਯਾਇ ਅਘ ਜਾਇਂ।

Dohra: Concentrating on Sri Satguru Har Rai Ji's name vanishes all sins.

ਕਰਿ ਪਦ ਪਰ ਪਰਣਾਮ ਕੋ, <u>ਜਿਹ ਤੇ ਨਿਧਿ ਸਿਧਿ ਆਇ</u> ।੧੭।

All the powers and wealth is attained by bowing down on His feet.

(Sri Nanak Perkash Granth- Churamani Kavi Santokh Singh JI)

The Blissful Kiratpur Sahib

Baba Gurditta Ji was residing happily in Kiratpur Sahib. The public was given initiatives to migrate to Kiratpur Sahib.

For a few months, Baba Gurditta Ji used to hunt occasionally. The Sikhs who served Baba Gurditta Ji had their wishes fulfilled (for wealth, etc.). Baba Ji used to respect everybody with his down-to-earth nature by speaking politely with everyone. The town of Kiratpur was flourishing with happiness.

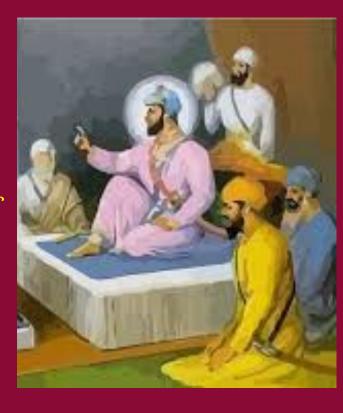


It was 13 Chet 1687Bk when Mata Damodri Ji made a humble request to Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji during the wedding celebration of Baba Suraj Mal Ji for a second prince to Baba Gurditta Ji. ਬਾਬੇ ਗ੍ਰਿਹ ਦੀਜੇ ਗੁਤ ਔਰ । ਗੁਖ਼ਦਾਯਕ ਗਭ ਕਾ ਗਿਰਮੋਰ। Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji gracefully said the second prince of Baba Gurditta Ji will be the Guru of the Gurus who will bless happiness to the world. ਭਏ ਦਯਾਤ ਪ੍ਰਭ ਗੁੜ ਬ੍ਰੇਤਾ ।

निभे घुं पूर्व मुंध रैंदा। भौने मुंड ਉंधने मुद्द हीने। गुन्भुद गुनु नगुड मुध रीने॥३१५॥

(Ref: Gurbilas Patsahi 6 Chapter 17)

The Boon



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Mata Damodri then told Baba Gurditta Ji that Guru Ji has given verdict for the second Prince and Baba Gurditta Ji wrote 'Satnam' on a piece of paper and asked his wife, Mata Netti Ji (Mata Nihal Kaur) to consume it while concentrating on Guru

Sahib.
भाउ गाउँ है जान है , गान की प्रमान हमा है।
माउ गाउँ है जान है प्रमान हमा है।
माउ गाउँ है जान है।
माउ गाउँ है।
स्वाधिक Patsahi 6 Chapter 17)

This was the day, Mata Nihal Kaur conceived a child who grew just like the phases of the moon.



The Greatest Grace

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मिम्वे मी ग्रिकाटि

It was the zodiac phase of cancer, month of Maghar with thirteen days passed of the waxing phase of the moon The residences of Kiratpur were in bliss and joy could be felt from all directions. Four and a half hour (4.5 hours/1.25 Pehar approximately 2.30am) of the remaining night, a beautiful bodied baby boy took birth on

Sunday, Magh Sudhi 14, 1687 (B) — 5th February 1630 A.D.

Deities came to worship with handful of flowers on (Guru) Har Rai Sahib Ji. The noise of conch and 'Jai Jai' was audible to the Sanggat around. All the servants rejoiced the birth of (Guru) Har Rai Ji.



Ref: Gurpertap Suraj Granth by Kavi Santokh Singh Ji



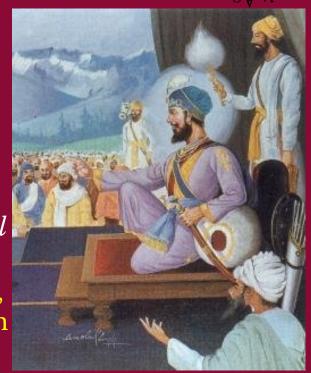
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Naming Ceremony

ਬਾਬੇ ਆਫਿ ਪੇਖ਼ਯੋਂ ਗੁਤ ਜਬਰੀ । ਗੁਤਮ ਗੁਰ ਜਾਤਿਓਂ ਮਨ ਤਬਰੀ । ਹਰਿਰਾਫਿ ਤਬ ਨਾਮ ਧਰਾਫਿ । ਤੇਜ ਵੰਗ ਬੁਡ ਰੂਪ ਲਖ਼ਾਫਿ॥ १३॥

Soon after the Perkash (birth), Baba Gurditta Ji came and saw his second prince and knew that this child will be the 7th Guru.

Baba Gurditta Ji then named his prince HAR RAI, who is glorious and will shine as the manifestation of Waheguru.



News to Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib JI

Baba Gurditta Ji was overjoyed and he gave alms to the needy. Everyone came to congratulate Baba Ji on the birth of his second son. The birth ceremony was done as per Gurmat.

Baba Gurditta Ji sent a messenger with a letter to his father, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji informing the birth of his son and a plead for His blessings



After few days of travelling, the messenger arrived in Amritsar. He offered Karah Parshad and he came to Guru Ji in Harmandir Sahib.

Guru Ji was pleased on hearing this news and the Sanggat rejoiced. Many gifts like clothes and jewelries were offered to the messenger and wealth was distributed to the needy. The three wives of Guru Hargobind Sahib (Mata Damodri Ji, Mata Marwahi Ji and Mata Nanki Ji) were overwhelmed. Various types of celebrations were done in Guru Ji's house and whomever heard, came and did not leave empty handed.

The Perkash News in Amritsar





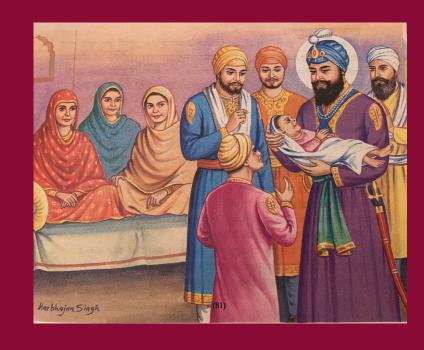
Boon by Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji

Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji knew that this newborn child is worthy of the Guruship throne and thus said, Sri Har Rai Ji

'ਵੱਡੀ ਚੀਜ ਦਾ ਗਾਹਕ ਆਇਆ'

the customer for something great has come

Ref: Nirbhau Nirvair by Satbir Singh pg.34





Sri Har Rai Ji was Guru Hargobind's favourite grandchild, Once, Sri Har Rai was rushing to follow Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji through a garden. In this hurry, unintentionally his robe was caught in a bush and a flower fell from its stem. This was not notice then.

On the way back, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji saw the fully blossomed flower broken from its stem. Upon asking, a Sikh told the incident and this pained Sri Har Rai's heart. He sat down on the spot and wept bitterly. Guru Hargobind came and consoled him. He also advised him: "Wear your robe by all means, but be careful as you walk. It behoves God's servants to be tender to all things." There was a deeper meaning in the Guru's words. One must live in this world, and yet be master of oneself.

Merciful Nature



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