



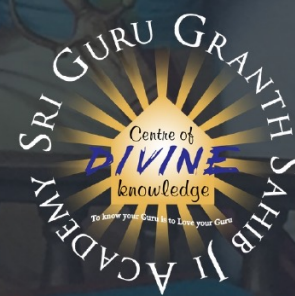
ਪ੍ਰਤਿਤ ਉਧਾਰਨ ਪ੍ਰਾਨਪ੍ਰਤਿ ਸਦ ਸਦਾ ਹਜ਼ੂਰਾ ॥
ਦਹ ਪ੍ਰਗਟਿਓ ਪੁਰਖ ਭਗਵੰਤ ਰੂਪ ਗੁਰ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਸੂਰਾ ॥

PERKASH DIHARRA

SRI GURU GOBIND SINGH JI

ਪੋਹ ਸੁਦੀ ੭, ੧੭੨੩ ਬਿਕਰਮੀ (੧੬੬੫ ਈ.)

POH SUDI 7, 1723 BIKARMI (1665 CE)



GREAT OF GREATEST

ਪਾਰਬ੍ਰਹਮ ਪੂਰਨ ਪੁਰਖ ਪਰਮੇਸੁਰ ਦਾਤਾ॥

Almighty who is beyond the creation, His complete existence is within the entire creation, He is the sole sustainer of all worlds, He is the supreme master and He is the sole benefactor.

ਪਤਿਤ ਪਾਵਨ ਪਰਮਾਤਮਾ ਸਰਬ ਅੰਤਿਰ ਜਾਤਾ॥

Yet, He purifies the unforgivable sinners, He is the supreme life source enlightens life and remains available as the true-self within the beings.

ਹਰਿ ਦਾਨਾ ਬੀਨਾ ਬੇਸੁਮਾਰ ਬੇਅੰਤ ਬਿਧਾਤਾ॥

He bring entire creation into life, His vision is beyond time and fulfils all the needs, His expands are beyond all limits, He is endless and creator

ਬਨਵਾਰੀ ਬਖਸਿੰਦ ਆਪੁ ਆਪੇ ਪਿਤਾ ਮਾਤਾ॥

He is the protector, He is the forgiver, He is the father and mother of all.

ਇਹ ਮਾਨਸ ਜਨਮ ਅਮੋਲ ਹੈ ਮਿਲਨੇ ਕੀ ਵੇਲਾ॥

This human life is precious as this is the only opportunity to meet Him as He has manifested Himself as Sri Guru Gobind Singh J.

ਵਾਹ ਵਾਹ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਸਿੰਘ ਆਪੇ ਗੁਰੁ ਚੇਲਾ ॥੧੧॥

Astonishing wonderful is Guru Gobind Singh as He is the Guru (the manifestation of Almighty Himself) yet He is humble to become a Sikh of His own disciples

PROPHECY OF GURU HARGOBIND SAHIB JI

Mata Nanaki, the wife of Guru Hargobind Ji, and the mother of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji recalled her husband, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji's words to her while Guru Ji drop His hand towel on Mata Nanaki Ji's laps;

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰ ਕਹਿ ਤੁਮ ਚਿੰਤ ਤਜ ਸਮਾਂ ਪਾਇ ਤੁਮ ਆਇ ।

ਤੁਮ ਸੁਤ ਨੰਦਨ ਅਮਿਤ ਬਲ ਸਭ ਜਗ ਕਰੈ ਸਹਾਇ ॥੫੮੫॥

ਸੁਤ ਗੁਰਿਆਈ ਦੇਖ ਤੁਮ ਸੁਤ ਬਹੁਰ ਨਿਹਾਰ ।

ਬਹੁੜ ਤਿਆਗ ਨਿਜ ਪ੍ਰਾਨ ਕਉ ਹਮਰੇ ਨਿਕਟ ਪਧਾਰ॥੫੮੬॥

ਸੋਰਠਾ । ਅਬ ਮਾਨੋ ਬਚਨ ਜਾਇ ਬਕਾਲੋ ਤੁਮ ਰਹੋ ।

ਤਿੰਹ ਠਾਂ ਬਸ ਤੁਮ ਸਦਨ ਸੁਤਿ ਗੁਰਿਆਈ ਤੋਹਿ ਹੁਇ॥੫੮੭॥

“Guru Ji said, leave all your worries when the time comes you (Mata Nanaki) shall see you son (Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji) becomes the Guru and your grandson who will manifest with unlimited powers to save the world. Only then you shall merge into my form. Now, leave to Bakala and the Gurship will come to your son.”

Guru Ji also said “The light of the clan will arrive in your house. The child will spread and illuminate the name of Guru Nanak.”

Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji was extremely pleased when He uttered those words. Mata Nanaki had full faith in the words of her husband.

(Gurpertap Suraj Granth- Kavi Santokh Singh)

26 YEARS IN BAKALA



After Guru Hargobind merged into His formless form Sri (Guru) Tegh Bahadur Ji, Mata Gujri Ji and Mata Nanaki to Bakala now in Amritsar district of the Punjab.

ਸੁਤ ਕੋ ਚਪਲ ਤੁਰੰਗ ਚਢਾਯੋ। ਕੀਰਤਿ ਪੁਰਿ ਛੋਰਨਿ
ਮਨ ਭਾਯੋ। ਪਰੇ ਪੰਥ ਕੋ, ਗਏ ਬਕਾਲੇ। ਤਹਾਂ ਸਦਨ
ਚਿਨਵਾਇ ਬਿਸਾਲੇ ॥੪੭॥ ਕਰਜੋ ਬਾਸ ਤਹਿ ਸਮੇ
ਬਿਤਾਵਨ। ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰ ਤੇਗ ਬਹਾਦਰ ਪਾਵਨ। ਪੁੱਤ੍ਰ
ਬਧੁ ਗੁਜਰੀ ਸੁਖ ਪਾਇ। ਤੀਨਹੁ ਬਸੇ ਜਾਇ ਤਿਸ
ਥਾਇੰ ॥੪੮॥

There they lived in peaceful seclusion Tegh Bahadur spending his days and nights in meditation and Mata Gujari performing the humble duties of a pious and devoted housewife.

Ref: Sri Gurbertap Suraj Granth Raas 8 Ansu 59

TRIBENI

After the guruship of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur accompanied by Mata Gujari went on a visit to Amritsar traveling on to Makhoval near Kiratpur where a new habitation named Chakk Nanaki (later Anandpur) and later with Raja Bishan Singh travel to east.

Guru Ji reached in Prayag (Allahabad) which is a major Hindu pilgrimage site. Guru Ji stood at the the banks of the confluence of River Gangga, Yamuna and invisible Saraswati known as Tribeni (or Triveni).

Sri Gurbertap Suraj Granth Raas || Ansu 48

MATA NANAKI JI'S REQUEST

‘ਸੁਨਹੁ ਪੁੱਤਰ ! ਲਾਲਸ ਮਮ ਉਰ ਕੀ। ਅਰੁ ਬਾਨੀ ਹੈ ਤਵ
ਪਿਤ ਗੁਰੁ ਕੀ। ਯਾ ਤੇ ਰਹੋਂ ਪ੍ਰਤੀਖਤਿ ਸਦਾ। ਤਿਨ ਕੋ ਬਾਕ
ਨ ਨਿਫਲਹਿ ਕਦਾ ॥੩੪॥ ਮਹਾਂ ਪ੍ਰਤਾਪਵੰਤ ਭੁਜ ਭਾਰੀ। ਮਹਾਂ
ਸੂਰਮਾ ਪਰਉਪਕਾਰੀ। ਸ੍ਰੀ ਨਾਨਕ ਤੇ ਆਦਿ ਜਿ ਗੁਰੁ ਹੈਂ।
ਸਕਲ ਗੁਨਨਿ ਕਰਿ ਬਹੁ ਭਰਪੁਰ ਹੈਂ ॥੩੫॥ ਸਭਿ ਕੋ ਸੁਜਸੁ
ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ਨ ਵਾਰੋ। ਸਭਿ ਕੋ ਨਾਮ ਕਰੈ ਉਜਿਯਾਰੋ। ਅਸ ਸੁਤ
ਉਪਜਹਿ ਸਦਨ ਤੁਮਾਰੇ-। ਖਸ਼ਟਮ ਗੁਰੁ ਇਮ ਬਾਕ ਉਚਾਰੇ
॥੩੬॥

ਸਿਮਰਿ ਸਿਮਰਿ ਬਚ ਮੈਂ ਅਭਿਲਾਖੀ। ਤੋਹਿ ਪੁੱਤ੍ਰੁ ਕਬਿ ਦੇਖਵਿ
ਆਂਖੀ। ਸੋ ਦਿਨ ਕਬਿ ਹੋਵਹਿ ਮੁਝ ਆਈ। ਰਹੋਂ ਪ੍ਰਤੀਖਤਿ
ਨਿਤ ਅਧਿਕਾਈ ॥੩੭॥ ਸੁਤ ਕੇ ਸੁਤ ਕੇ ਲੇ ਕਰਿ ਗੋਦ।
ਕਰੋਂ ਦੁਲਾਰਨਿ ਪਾਇ ਪ੍ਰਮੋਦ। ਹੇ ਸਪੁੱਤ੍ਰੁ ! ਇਹੁ ਮੇਰੀ ਆਸ।
ਪੂਰਨ ਕਰਹੁ ਦੇਹੁ ਸੁਖਰਾਸਾ ॥੩੮॥ ਪ੍ਰਾਨ ਅਹੈਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਤਨ
ਜਾਵਦ। ਤੁਵ ਨੰਦਨ ਕੋ ਦਰਸੋਂ ਤਾਵਦ।’

While in Trebeni, one day Mata Nanki Ji came to her son, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji and said,

“Dear son, listen to the desire of my heart. Your father has given me a word and I am still waiting. His words have never gone astray. He has said that a charismatic child with a great grandeur will be born. He will be prodigious warrior and a benefactor. He will have the qualities of all the previous Gurus. He will glorify the Almighty’s Name and enlighten the world. These were the words of your father regarding your child. Since then I am waiting to have the glimpse of your child. I am keen to have my grandson in my laps and pamper him with love. Dear son, fulfil my wish. I shall have the glimpse of my grandson till my last breath.”

Sri Gur Pertap Suraj Granth (Raas 11, Ansu 48)

SRI GURU TEGH BAHADUR JI'S BLESSINGS

ਸੁਨਿ ਜਨਨੀ ਕੇ ਬਾਕ ਸੁਹਾਏ। ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੁ ਮੁਖ ਤੇ ਭਾਖਿ
ਸੁਨਾਏ ॥੩੯॥

‘ਹੇ ਜਨਨੀ! ਜੁ ਮਨੋਰਥ ਤੋਹੀ। ਪੌਤ੍ਰੁ ਬਿਲੋਕਨਿ ਕੇ ਸੁਖ
ਹੋਹੀ। ਪਾਰਬ੍ਰਹਮ ਕਰਤਾਰ ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾਲਾ। ਪਰਮੇਸੁਰ ਸੁਖ ਸਿੰਧ
ਅਕਾਲਾ ॥੪੦॥

ਏਕੰਕਾਰ ਜੋਤਿਯਨਿ ਜੋਤੀ। ਚੇਤਨਤਾ ਸਭਿ ਘਟਨਿ ਉਦੋਤੀ।
ਤਿਸ ਅਧੀਨ ਇਹ ਤੇਰੀ ਆਸ਼ਾ। ਪੂਰਨ ਕਰਹਿ ਹਮਹੁ
ਭਰਵਾਸਾ ॥੪੧॥

ਜਬਿ ਪ੍ਰਸੰਨ ਹੁਇੰ ਦੀਨਨ ਦਾਨੀ। ਦੇਂ ਸੁਤ ਤੇਜ ਪੁੰਜ ਬ੍ਰਹਮ
ਗਜਾਨੀ। ਸਮਾ ਸਮੀਪ ਪਹੁਚਯੋ ਆਈ। ਨਿਤ ਅਰਾਧਿਬੈ ਮੈਂ
ਮਤਿ ਲਾਈ ॥੪੨॥

ਦਯਾਸਿੰਧੁ ਕਰਿ ਦਯਾ ਪਠਾਵੈਂ। ਅਪਨਿ ਮਨੋਰਥ ਕੋ ਅਬਿ
ਪਾਵੈਂ। ਸੁਨਤਿ ਪ੍ਰਸੰਨ ਨਾਨਕੀ ਹੋਈ। ਮਨੋ ਰੰਕ ਲੈ ਨਵ
ਨਿਧਿ ਕੋਈ ॥੪੩॥

Guru Ji replied, “Dear mother, your wish to see your grandson shall bring happiness. Almighty who is beyond creation, creator and the house blessings shall bless you with ocean of joy. He, Almighty who is the life of all lives within His power is to fulfil your wish and I am very sure He shall realise it.

He in His utmost joy, the giver of all shall bless a son who is most powerful as well as enlightened scholar. Now the time has come closer therefore I am meditating.

The ever merciful Almighty will Himself come to bless the world and your wish will be fulfilled.”

Upon hearing this Mata Nanaki Ji was overjoyed.

MATA GUJRI JI CONCEIVED



When 6 month passed in Prayagraj (Tribeni), most of the time was spent on meditation and charity, thus on Chet Sudi 7, 1723Bk (1666CE), Mata Gujri Ji conceived Sri Gobind Singh Ji at Prayagraj (Tribeni). Who ever gets the glimpse of Mata Gujri were amazed and their hearts were filled with love.

ਸੈਯਾ ਛੰਦ: ਤੀਰਥ ਰਾਜ ਤ੍ਰਿਬੇਣੀ ਉਪਰ ਬੀਤ ਗਏ ਜਬਿਹੂੰ ਖਟ ਮਾਸ।

ਪੁੰਨ ਦਾਨ ਦਿਨ ਕਰਤਿ ਬਿਤਾਏ ਤਹੀਂ ਆਨਿ ਕੀਨਸਿ ਪਰਕਾਸ਼।

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਜਰੀ ਗੁਭ ਧਾਰਜੋ ਪਾਵਨ ਬ੍ਰਯੈ ਚੰਦ ਸਮ ਚਾਰੁ ਉਜਾਸ ।

ਜਹਿੰ ਕਹਿੰ ਇਸਤ੍ਰੀ ਜੋ ਅਵਿਲੋਕਹਿ ਬਿਸਮਹਿ ਪ੍ਰੇਮ ਪਰਹਿ ਦੁਤਿ ਰਾਸ ॥੨੦॥

On Jeth Sudi 1, 1723Bk (1666CE), Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji along with Mata Nanaki Ji and Mata Gujari Ji reached Patna Sahib

MEDITATION



ਇਹ ਬਿਧਿ ਕਰਤ ਤਪੱਸਿਆ ਭਯੋ ॥ ਦੈ ਤੇ ਏਕ ਰੂਪ ਹੈ ਗਯੋ ॥

This way undertaking devotional prayer my individuality merged in the Almighty and I became one from two.

ਤਾਤ ਮਾਤ ਮੁਰ ਅਲਖ ਅਰਾਧਾ ॥ ਬਹੁ ਬਿਧਿ ਜੋਗ ਸਾਧਨਾ ਸਾਧਾ ॥੩॥

My parents meditated upon that invincible Almighty and variously and suitably prayed before Him

ਤਿਨ ਜੋ ਕਰੀ ਅਲਖ ਕੀ ਸੇਵਾ ॥ ਤਾਤੇ ਭਏ ਪ੍ਰਸੰਨਿ ਗੁਰਦੇਵਾ ॥

Since they served the Imperceptible, the Guru God became happy upon them.

ਤਿਨ ਪ੍ਰਭ ਜਬ ਆਇਸੁ ਮੁਹਿ ਦੀਯਾ ॥ ਤਬ ਹਮ ਜਨਮ ਕਲੁ ਮਹਿ ਲੀਆ ॥੪॥

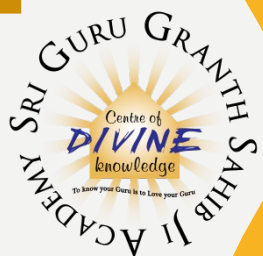
When that Almighty commanded I took birth in this dark age (Kaliyuga)

P E R K A S H



FATHER	Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji
MOTHER	Mata Gujri Ji
GRANDPARENTS	Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji & Mata Nanaki Ji
FATHER-IN-LAW	Baba Harjas Rai Ji (Father of Mata Ajit Kaur Ji) Baba Anant Ram Ji (Father of Mata Sundar Kaur Ji) Baba Harbhagvan Ji (Father of Mata Sahib Kaur Ji)
MOTHER-IN-LAW	Mata Bishan Devi Ji (Mother of Mata Ajit Kaur Ji) Mata Shiv Devi Ji (Mother of Mata Sundar Kaur Ji) Mata Jas Devi Ji (Mother of Mata Sahib Kaur Ji)
LINEAGE	Sodhi of Khatri caste
DATE OF BIRTH	Sunday, Poh Sudhi 7, 1723(B) – 1 st January 1665 A.D
PLACE OF BIRTH	Patna Sahib, Bihar

FAMILY



WEDDING	<p>Tuesday, Asu 14, 1735 (Bikermi) – 29th September 1678 A.D. at Guru Ka Lahore Sunday, Vaisakh 16, 1743 (Bikermi) – 28th April 1686 at Anand Garh, Anandpur Sahib Sunday, Phagun 11, 1755 (Bikermi) – 23rd February 1698 at Anandpur Sahib</p>
MAHAL (WIFE)	<p>1. Mata Ajit Kaur Ji Born : Monday, Katak 12, 1725 (27th October 1668 A.D.) at Lahore Jothi Joth : Chet, 1757 (March 1700 A.D.) Total Age : 31 years 4 months</p> <p>2. Mata Sundar Kaur Ji Born : Wednesday, Poh 9, 1725 (23rd December 1668 A.D.) at Bhujware, Hoshiarpur Jothi Joth : Friday, Chet 4, 1795 (17th April 1738 A.D.) in Delhi Total Age : 69 years 3 months 25 days</p> <p>3. Mata Sahib Kaur Ji Born : Wednesday, Katak 18, 1738 (2nd November 1681 A.D.) in Rohtas, Jhelum, Pakistan Jothi Joth : Monday, Asu 27, 1804 (12th October 1747 A.D.) in Delhi Total Age : 65 years 11 months 10 days</p>
CHILDREN	<p>Baba Ajit Singh Ji (1686; Mother: Mata Sundar Kaur Ji), Baba Jujhar Singh Ji (1690; Mother: Mata Ajit Kaur Ji), Baba Jorawar Singh Ji (1696; Mother: Mata Ajit Kaur Ji), Baba Fateh Singh Ji (1698; Mother: Mata Ajit Kaur Ji), Khalsa Panth (1699; Mother: Mata Sahib Kaur Ji)</p>

GURU



GURUSHIP	17 th December 1675 A.D. sent from Delhi, Inauguration at Anandpur Sahib Magar Sudhi 3 1732 (Bikermi)
AGE AT GURUSHIP	10 Years, 11 months & 16 days
TOTAL AGE,	41 years, 9 months & 28 days
TIME AT GUR GADHI	32 years, 11 months & 2 days
REGIMES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emperor Aurangzeb (1658-1707 A.D.) • Emperor Azam Shah (1707 A.D.) • Emperor Bahadur Shah (1707-1712 A.D.)
CONTRIBUTION IN GURBANI	One Dohra in Selok Mahalla 9 in Ang 1429 of SGGGSJ, Sri Dasam Granth Sahib, Sri Sarbloh Granth Sahib, Vidhia Sagar & many more
JOTHI-JOT DAY	Ketak Sudhi 5, 1765 (Bikermi) , 19 th November 1708 A.D
JOTHI JOT PLACE	Takht Sri Hazoor Sahib, Nanded, Maharashtra



AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji writes in
Bachittar Natak

BACHITAR NATAK – AN INTRO



- The literal meaning of Bachitar Natak is Resplendent Drama and it is the autobiography of Sri Guru Gobind Singh's life.
- This Bani is an autobiographical narrated by the tenth Sikh Guru, Guru Gobind Singh for the early part of his life.
- The Guru has outlined the circumstance and history of the time and how great courage and strength was required to overcome the many hurdles that were upon the community.
- It starts with a praise of Akal Purakh (God). It then gives a genealogy of Bedis and Sodhis starting from Lord Rama and his two sons Lav and Kush. It gives the author's own biography and includes the battle of Bhangani, Nadaun, Husaini and the arrival of prince Muazzam in the Punjab.

BACHITAR NATAK- CONTENT



- Chapter 1: Eulogy of Akal Purukh, the ultimate being.
- Chapter 2: My Story - Opening statements and mention of Lava and Kush, the two sons of Rama.
- Chapter 3: Descendants of Lava and Kush and emergence of the Bedi and Sodhi clans (in which 8 of the 10 Sikh Gurus were born).
- Chapter 4: The Recitation of the Vedas and the Offering of Kingdom. The interaction of the two clans.
- Chapter 5: Description of the Spiritual Rulers, i.e. of the nine Sikh Gurus preceding Guru Gobind Singh himself, from Guru Nanak Dev Ji to Guru Tegh Bahadur (father of Guru Gobind Singh).
- **Chapter 6: The command of Supreme Lord to Me to be born into the World. Includes an account of Guru Gobind Singh performing meditation at Hemkunt nestled in the Himalayan mountains.**
- **Chapter 7: Description of the Poet. Starts with his birth in Patna, and arrival in the Madra desh (the middle country i.e. Punjab region).**



Bachittar Natak Chapter 6

**The command of Supreme
Lord to Me to be born into the
World. Includes an account of
Guru Gobind Singh performing
meditation at
Hemkunt nestled in the
Himalayan mountains.**



APNI KATHA – MY DISCOURSE

ਚੌਪਈ ॥

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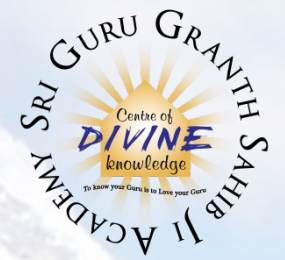
ਅਬ ਮੈ ਅਪਨੀ ਕਥਾ ਬਖਾਨੋ ॥

ਤਪ ਸਾਧਤ ਜਹ ਬਿਧਿ ਮੁਹਿ ਆਨੋ ॥

Now I shall narrate discourse of my own account as to how I was assigned to this world in the midst of intense meditation.



HEMKUNT SAHIB



ਹੇਮ ਕੁੰਟ ਪਰਬਤ ਹੈ ਜਗਾਂ ॥ ਸਪਤਸਿੰਗ ਸੋਭਿਤ ਹੈ ਤਗਾਂ ॥੧॥

Hemkunt is a mountain where the seven summits adorn the landscape



THE ULTIMATE MISSION

ਚੌਪਈ ॥

ਮੈ ਅਪਨਾ ਸੁਤ ਤੋਹਿ ਨਿਵਾਜਾ ॥

ਪੰਥ ਪ੍ਰਚੁਰ ਕਰਬੇ ਕਹੁ ਸਾਜਾ ॥

I have adopted you as my son and has created you for the propagation of the path (Panth).

ਜਾਹਿ ਤਹਾਂ ਤੈ ਧਰਮੁ ਚਲਾਇ ॥

ਕਬਧਿ ਕਰਨ ਤੇ ਲੋਕ ਹਟਾਇ ॥

“You go therefore for the spread of Faith (righteousness) and make people to retrace their steps from evil actions”.

ਕਬਿਬਾਚ ॥ ਦੋਹਰਾ॥

Words of the poet . Dohara

ਠਾਢ ਭਯੋ ਮੈ ਜੋਰਿ ਕਰਿ
ਬਚਨ ਕਹਾ ਸਿਰ ਨਜਾਇ ॥

I stood before Almighty with my hands folded
and while bowing my head I prayed;

ਪੰਥ ਚਲੈ ਤਬ ਜਗਤ ਮੈ
ਜਬ ਤੁਮ ਕਰਹੁ ਸਹਾਇ ॥੩੦॥

The Panth (Sikh faith) will only pave its path in
the world if You stand along to support

I AM HERE TO SERVE



ਮੈਂ ਹੋ ਪਰਮ ਪੁਰਖ ਕੋ ਦਾਸਾ ॥
ਦੇਖਨਿ ਆਯੋ ਜਗਤ ਤਮਾਸਾ ॥

I am the humble servant of the Supreme Being and have come to see the acrobatic display of this world.

ਜੋ ਪ੍ਰਭ ਜਗਤਿ ਕਹਾ ਸੋ ਕਹਿਹੋ ॥
ਮ੍ਰਿਤ ਲੋਗ ਤੇ ਮੋਨਿ ਨ ਰਹਿਹੋ ॥੩੩॥

What the Almighty has asked me to say to the world, I would definitely say and I would not sit as a silent spectator (of the ritualism, hypocrisy, exploitation and tyranny)

THE PURPOSE

ਹਮ ਇਹ ਕਾਜ ਜਗਤ ਮੋ ਆਏ ॥

ਧਰਮ ਹੇਤ ਗੁਰਦੇਵ ਪਠਾਏ ॥

The objective of my coming to this world is dharma and the Guru (Almighty) has sent me for this purpose.

ਜਹਾਂ ਤਹਾਂ ਤੁਮ ਧਰਮ ਬਿਥਾਰੋ ॥

ਦੁਸਟ ਦੋਖੀਅਨਿ ਪਕਰਿ ਪਛਾਰੋ ॥੪੨॥

Almighty asked me to spread Dharma, and vanquish the tyrants and evil-minded persons.

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THE MISSION

ਯਾਹੀ ਕਾਜ ਧਰਾ ਹਮ ਜਨਮੰ ॥

ਸਮਝ ਲੇਹੁ ਸਾਧੂ ਸਭ ਮਨਮੰ ॥

For this very purpose I have taken birth. O Saints,
this much you should understand well.

ਧਰਮ ਚਲਾਵਨ ਸੰਤ ਉਬਾਰਨ ॥

ਦੁਸਟ ਸਭਨ ਕੋ ਮੂਲ ਉਪਾਰਿਨ ॥੪੩॥

I am born to spread religion, emancipate the saints
and to wipe out the whole lot of wicked ones

ਦਸਮ ਗਰੰਥ ਸਾਹਿਬ :੧੩੮

BACHITTAR NATAK CHAPTER 7

**Description of the Poet (Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji).
Starts with his birth in Patna, and arrival in the
Madradesh (the middle country i.e. Punjab region).**



PERKASH AT PATNA

ਤਹੀ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ ਹਮਾਰਾ ਭਯੋ ॥
ਪਟਨਾ ਸਹਰ ਬਿਖੈ ਭਵ ਲਯੋ ॥

There I manifest myself as light (and my mother conceived me). I took birth in this world at the city of Patna.

ਮਦ੍ਰ ਦੇਸ ਹਮ ਕੋ ਲੇ ਆਏ ॥
ਭਾਂਤਿ ਭਾਂਤਿ ਦਾਈਅਨ ਦੁਲਰਾਏ ॥੨॥

Thereafter I was brought to Madra country (Punjab) where various kinds of maids and nurses very affectionately brought me up



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ਪਟਨਾ ਸਹਰ ਬਿਖੈ ਭਵ ਲਯੋ ॥

PERKASH

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Guru Gobind Singh Ji took His Perakash (birth) on Sunday, Poh Sudhi 7, 1723BK (1666CE) at around 2-3am. The fortunate Mata Gujri, has been blessed with the Greatest of all children, who has come to this world to shine and provide light to all.



NEWS TO SRI GURU TEGH BAHADUR JI IN MUNGER



- Mata Nanaki, the wife of Guru Hargobind Ji, and the mother of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji recalled her husband, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji's words to her, "The light of the clan will arrive in your house. The child will spread and illuminate the name of Guru Nanak." Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji was extremely pleased when He uttered those words. Mata Nanaki had full faith in the words of her husband.
- In such bliss, Mata Nanaki Ji then asked for a letter to be written to inform Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji on the arrival (birth) of his son. She then narrated, "In your house, an enlightened soul has taken birth as your son. At the time of his arrival, there were countless auspicious signs honouring the arrival of your son. Guru Nanak Dev Ji has blessed us immensely and our wishes have been fulfilled. Our house is now illuminated with joy and I wish for your return." She then asked for the letter to be delivered to Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji immediately.
- Guru Ji's servant then delivered the letter to Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji in Munger, who was with Raja Bishan Singh. On receipt of the news, there was celebration at the palace of King Bishan Singh. Guru Ji blessed the servant with salvation on bringing the news on the arrival of His son.

ਨੌਵੇਂ ਗੁਰੂ ਤੇਗ ਬਹਾਦੁਰ ਜੀ ਵਲੋਂ ਸੰਗਤਿ ਪਟਣੇ ਕੀ ਜੋਗੁ
“ਸੰਗਤਿ ਸੇਵਾ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਦਾਸ ਕੀ ਕਰਤੀ ਹੈ ਤੁਮਾਰੀ ਸੇਵਾ ਸੰਗਤਿ ਕੀ
ਗੁਰੂ ਦੀ ਚਰਗਹ ਥਾਇ ਪੜੇਗੀ...”

LETTER FROM GURU TEGH BAHADUR SAHIB JI

- Guru Ji then responded to Mata Ji's letter, by narrating to the servant to write a letter, "I am now at Kamroop. I will be back once I have helped settled the King's task. Take good care of my son and pamper him with utmost love."
- Guru Ji letter reached Patna Sahib where there were already ongoing celebrations.

This Hukamnama to the Sangat of Patna directs Sikhs to continue serving (Guru) Gobind Das

SRI GOBIND SINGH

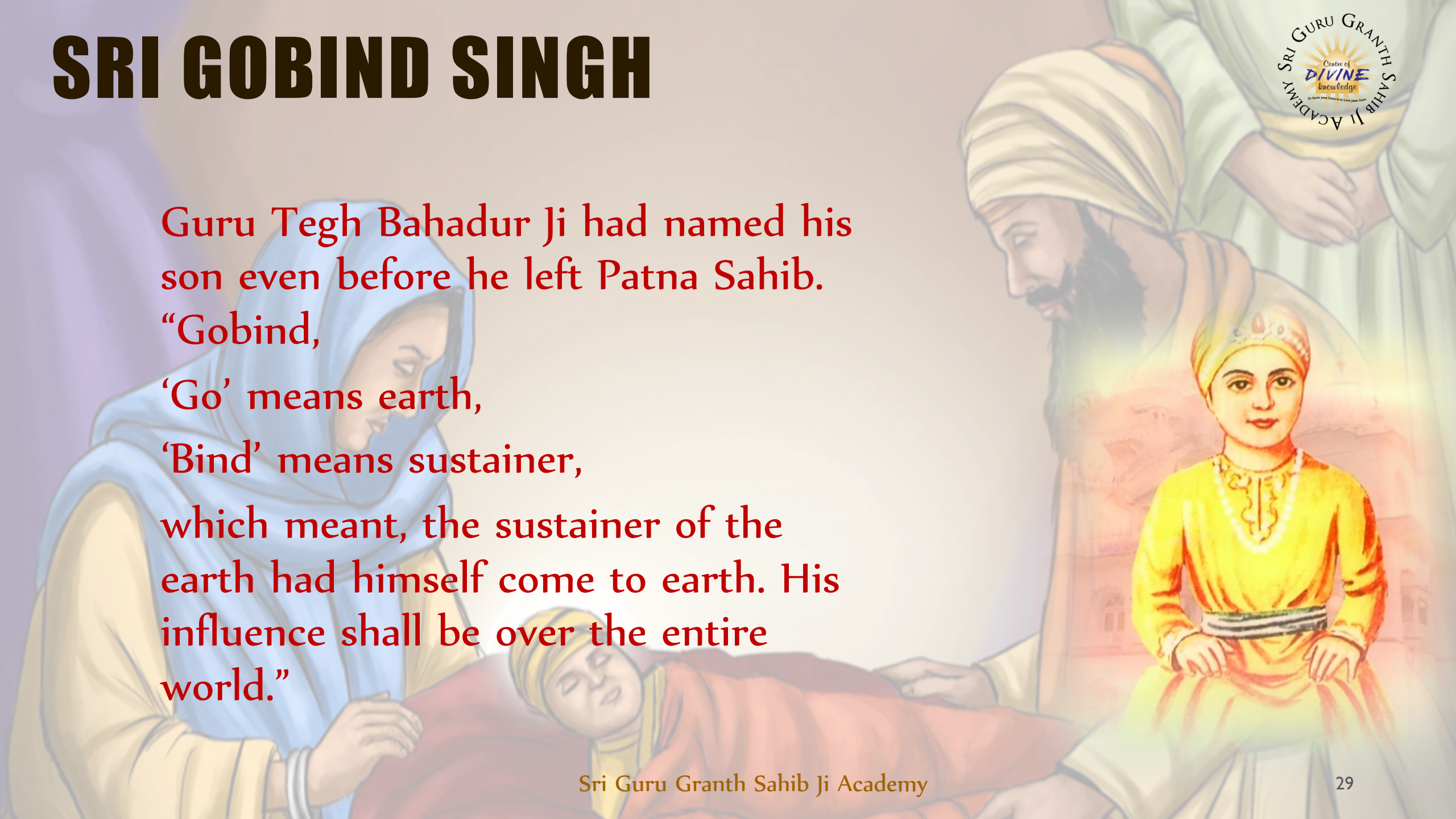
Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji had named his son even before he left Patna Sahib.

“Gobind,

‘Go’ means earth,

‘Bind’ means sustainer,

which meant, the sustainer of the earth had himself come to earth. His influence shall be over the entire world.”



BLESSING BHIKHAN SHAH

- In Ghuram, there lived a Saint by the name of Bhikhan Shah. He was living with his followers in village Deskey. The day Sri Gobind Singh Ji was born, Bhikhan Shah knew in his heart that Almighty himself had come to earth, to help and guide the human race, to punish the Mughals who were committing sins and doing bad deeds.
- At that point, Bhikhan Shah immediately went away from his followers and having so much of love in his heart, he faced towards east, closed his eyes, having a deep thought in his mind, with folded hands, he sat down. Being overwhelmed, he placed his head on the floor and bowed three times. His actions were as though a poor person has found wealth.
- Looking at his actions, his followers were surprised, “What is he doing, who is he bowing to with his back towards the east? And why is he suddenly so emotional?” With folded hands they asked Bhikhan Shah “Before this, we have never seen you behaving like this, it is the Hindus, who wake up in the morning and face east with folded hands. We instead bow our head towards west. Why are you doing this?”

Bhikhan Shah answered,

‘ਕਾਰਨ ਸੁਨੋ ਜਥਾ ਮੈਂ ਲਹੜੋ ॥੧੦॥ ਦੀਨ ਦੁਨੀ ਕੋ ਖਾਂਵਦ ਆਵਾ। ਮਾਨੁਖ ਦੇਹਿ ਧਾਰਿ ਬਿਦਤਾਵਾ । ਗਰਬਨਿ ਕੇ ਗਰਬਨਿ ਕੇ ਗੰਜਨ । ਮਿਰਜਾਦਾ ਬੰਜਨ ਕੋ ਭੰਜਨ ੯ ॥੧੧॥ ਤੇਜ ਤਿਲੋਕਨਿ ਮਹਿੰ ਬਿਸਤਾਰੇ। ਤੁਰਕਨਿ ਔਂਧੇ ਕਰਹਿ ਨਗਾਰੇ । ਸਿਖ ਸੰਗਤ ਕੋ ਤ੍ਰਾਸ ਮਿਟਾਵੈ । ਸੱਤਜਨਾਮ ਕੋ ਜਾਪ ਜਪਾਵੈ ॥੧੨॥ ਅਪਨੋ ਪੰਥ ਜਗਤ ਬਿਦਤਾਵਹਿ। ਇਕ ਮਤਿ ਕਰਤਿ ਤੀਨ ਦਿਖਰਾਵਹਿ । ਨਿਸਾ ਆਜ ਕਾ ਜਨਮੇ ਬਾਲਕ। ਤਰੁਨ ਤਰਨਿ ਸਮ ਤੁਮ ਰਿਪੁ ਘਾਲਿਕ ॥੧੩॥ ਭਈ ਪ੍ਰਾਤ ਮੁਝ ਸੁਧਿ ਮਨ ਭਾਈ। ਕਰੀ ਬੰਦਗੀ ਮੈਂ ਸੁਖ ਮਈ। ਪੁਰਿ ਪਟਣਾ ਪੂਰਬ ਦਿਸਿ ਬਿਸੈ । ਮੈਂ ਅਬਿ ਜਾਉਂ ਦਰਸ ਹੋਂ ਤਿਸੈ ॥੧੪॥ ਬਿਨੈ ਠਾਨਿ ਬਖਸ਼ਾਵਨਿ ਕਰਿ ਹੋਂ। ਅਪਨਿ ਇਸ਼ਟ ਬਿਰਤਾ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਹੋਂ । ਦਰਸਨ ਕਰੇ ਪਾਕ ਅਤਿ ਹੋਵੋਂ। ਗੁਨਹਿ ਅਨਿਕ ਮਨ ਤਨ ਤੇ ਖੋਵੋਂ’ ॥੧੫॥

“I have seen the master of the universe, he has taken birth in the form of a human. He will destroy the egoistic people and kill those who are not in discipline. His power will flourish in the three worlds, he will destroy the Mughals, remove the fear in Sikhs and he will make them utter Almighty’s name. He will establish a new religion. Aurangzeb is trying to maintain only one religion but he will declare three religions and destroy all enemies. That is why, I have bowed to him. He has taken birth in Patna Sahib, now I will go and get his glimpse”

Sri Gur Pertap Suraj Granth (Raas 12, Ansu 14)

BHIKHAN SHAH'S PERSUASION

- The next morning, Bhikhan Shah along with his 2 followers started their journey eastwards to Patna Sahib. After few days, they arrived at the blessed house where Gobind Singh Ji has taken His manifestation.
- Shah Ji requested Mama Kirpal Chand to allow him to see Gobind Singh. Mama Kirpal Chand told Shah to wait outside so that he may fulfill his wish but upon listening to the request, Mata Gujri Ji declined as Gobind Singh was too young for cold temperatures outside.
- Bhikhan Shah again requested Kirpal Chand Ji to allow them to see Gobind Singh and nothing will ever happen to Him as he is the form of Almighty but even this request was declined. So, Bhikhan Shah started to perform Ardas whilst seating outside for the whole night without food and drink
- The next day, Sikhs and Mama Ji requested Mata Nanaki and Mata Gujri Ji to allow Bhikhan Shah to have his glimpse but it was again declined. Sikhs went to Bhikhan Shah and requested him to come later and as of now, he will be served with utmost respect but Bhikhan Shah was adamant that he would only leave upon the glimpse of Gobind Singh.
- After the request again from the Sangat, Mata Ji agreed.



BHIKHAN SHAH'S REQUEST

- A warm wool carpet was laid on the floor. A beautiful bedsheet and pillows were placed on the golden cot. Kirpal Ji carried Sri Gobind Singh Ji from Mata Gujri Ji. With lots of respect, he slowly carried and placed Sri Gobind Singh Ji in the golden cot. He made someone fan and kept him away from the sun. While doing chaur (whisk) on Sri Gobind Singh Ji, Mama Kirpal Ji started singing Gurbani.
- Bhikhan Shah was called to get Sri Gobind Singh Ji's glimpse. The moment he saw Gobind Singh Ji, he was impressed and He bowed down.
- Then Bhikhan Shah made a request, “Mughals are going to be destroyed but if you wish, you can save me. Please do not take me as part of the Mughals, tell me now and kindly understand what my heart desires.”

While holding a rosary, Bhikhan Shah prayed before Sri Gobind Singh,

“You have come to the world without any deeds (Karam). You are merciful, great and supreme. Please forgive my sins, Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji the son of Kalu Ji, from the clan of Bedi. You deserve to be bowed upon. Your praises are very supreme. You are the giver of salvation. You enlighten us just like moon in dark skies. You gave salvation to Rai Bullar and vanished pain of Daulat Khan. In Multan, you helped the holy men to destroy their pains. You fulfilled the desires of all Hindus and Muslims alike.”

EQUALITY



- Shah presented the two clay pots to Gobind Singh Ji. Gobind Singh Ji stretched his hands to touch the pots but was not able to reach. Knowing Bhikhan Shah's desires, Gobind Singh Ji stretched his hands further and placed his palms on the pots. The Sangat was curious, however only Bhikhan Shah understood. When Gobind Singh Ji placed his palms on the pots, the hands became heavy with the weight of thousands of kilos.
- Bhikhan Shah used his magical powers to hold the pots however Gobind Singh Ji added heavier weight onto the pots till Bhikhan Shah gave up. Bhikhan Shah looked at Gobind Singh Ji's feet and said, "I am the servant of these feet!" Gobind Singh Ji immediately removed his hands from the pots.
- Bhikhan Shah's followers inquired, "The two clay pots that you presented to Gobind Singh Ji were not accepted by him. Why did you bring these pots to Gobind Singh Ji?" Hearing this, Bhikhan Shah replied, "**He is the greatest soul and is here to destroy the tyrant rulers and to established his Faith. I had the thought that if he places his hands on both the pots, then the Hindus and the Muslims shall remain forever in the world with the new faith that he will build shall rule the world. If he would have placed his hand on only one pot, then the Muslims would have been destroyed. That's the reason I came here to test, and I have cleared the doubt in my mind.**"

GARDENING



- Once, Gobind Singh Ji expressed his desire to visit an orchard with his friends for the evening. Mata Ji was reluctant but agreed when Mama Kirpal Chand and some Sikhs decided to accompany Gobind Singh Ji.
- Gobind Singh Ji played the whole evening in the orchard ate fruits and Mama Ji bought a flower garland for his nephew as he was playing.
- He also planted trees with his friends.
- Once it was dark, Mama Ji got Gobind Singh Ji and his friends out of the orchard and returned home.

BOAT SAILING



- One day, after getting permission from Mata Ji, Gobind Singh along with his friends accompanied by Mama Kirpal Chand Ji went on a boat ride on river Gangga.
- Gobind Singh sat on the row boat with Mama Kirpal Ji and started looking around.
- Upon returning home, Gobind Singh Ji excitedly told Mata Gujri Ji, **“We sat in the row boat and the sailor sailed the rowboat fast using his wooden paddle and took us deep into the river. We went very far into the river and thereafter he took a big wooden paddle and brought us back. While sailing, we could see temple at the shore, tall tree and many people walking around.”**

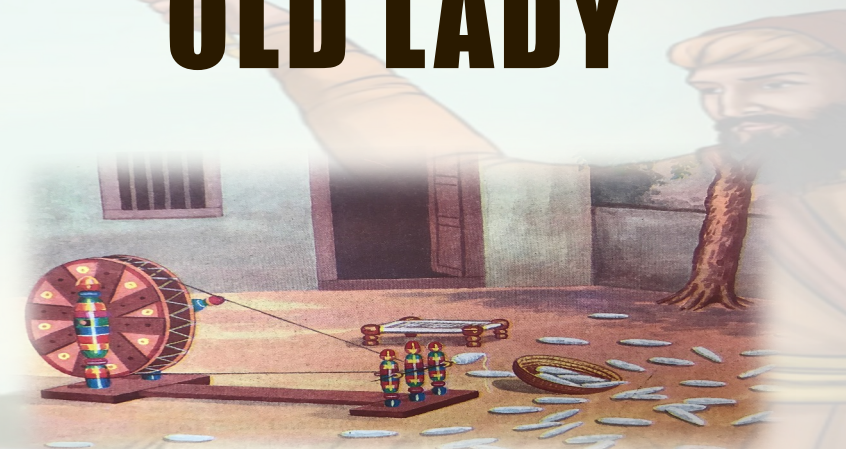
THROWING BANGLES INTO GANGA RIVER



- Once a Sikh came with two (2) precious pure gold bangles studded with diamonds for Sri Gobind Singh ji.
- Mata Gujri Ji wore both the bangles on Sri Gobind Singh's arms.
- One day, Mata Gujri Ji observed one of the bangle missing, Mata asked Sri Gobind Singh on the whereabouts of the precious bangle. **Sri Gobind Singh held Mata Ji's hand to the bank of Ganga river and threw the other one into the flowing Ganga and said it there where this bangle has landed.**
- Today Gurdwara Kanggan Ghat in Patna reminds us all of this incident

IRRITATING AN OLD LADY

- An old lady's house was located near to Guru Ji's house. Guru Ji would go into her house and annoy her. He used to take the threads, etc, out from the basket and leave the basket empty.
- This made the old single lady very angry and she used to chase Gobind Singh Ji with a stick. As the old lady got closer to Gobind Singh Ji, he would run away faster but will still remain close around her to irritate her even longer. He used to keep running around her house while the old lady tries to catch him.
- The old lady will then take all her destroyed goods and show it to Mata Ji and say, "See your son's actions, he has created havoc in my house. He doesn't allow me to sit nor rest. He carries the basket, throws and scatters everything and runs away. I can't catch him, I am very exhausted and that's why I have come to you."
- **Mata Gujri Ji heard her son's complains. Upon asking, Gobind Singh Ji told Mata Ji that only when he messes her threads she is rewarded generously and He desires to lift her financial difficulties.**



GRANTING A CHILD'S BOON

One very rich man's wife brought her daughter in law, daughter, relatives and friends. They have come with a desire to have a grandson.

They brought their daughter in law in front of Gobind Singh Ji and said' "Please bless her with a handsome and good son." Gobind Singh Ji replied "How would I know if she would get a son or not. Everyone is going through their own Karmas." Gobind Singh Ji went silent after saying this.

The rich man's wives kept requesting. They folded their hands, went to Mata Ji and said, "Please talk to Gobind Singh Ji and tell him to bless us, please get your son to fulfil our desires and wishes. He understands and knows his followers love towards him." The ladies kept requesting Mata Ji to speak to Gobind Singh Ji. Hearing the ladies again, Gobind Singh Ji then said, " Since you all have the desire in your heart, listen, your husband has a beautiful boat, please give that boat to us, I shall fulfil your wish then." The lady agreed and decided to hand the boat over to Gobind Singh Ji.

Gobind Singh Ji held a thin stick and started counting and hitting the lady softly on the head. He hit her softly 5 times and said, "One, Two, Three, Four, you will get five sons."

THE NAWAB

There was an egoistic ruler staying in Patna town. As he was riding on his elephant, he passed through the alleys where the Nawab's men made everyone stop from their work so that he could pass without hindrance.

Gobind Singh Ji at that time was playing with the children and the Nawab's men directed everyone present to bow before the Nawab and move behind.

Listening to this, Gobind Singh Ji said, "Go in front of the Nawab and irritate him." Hearing Gobind Singh Ji, all the children started annoying the Nawab by making faces. They were running all-around and annoying him. The Nawab became angry and said, "These children are behaving like monkeys."

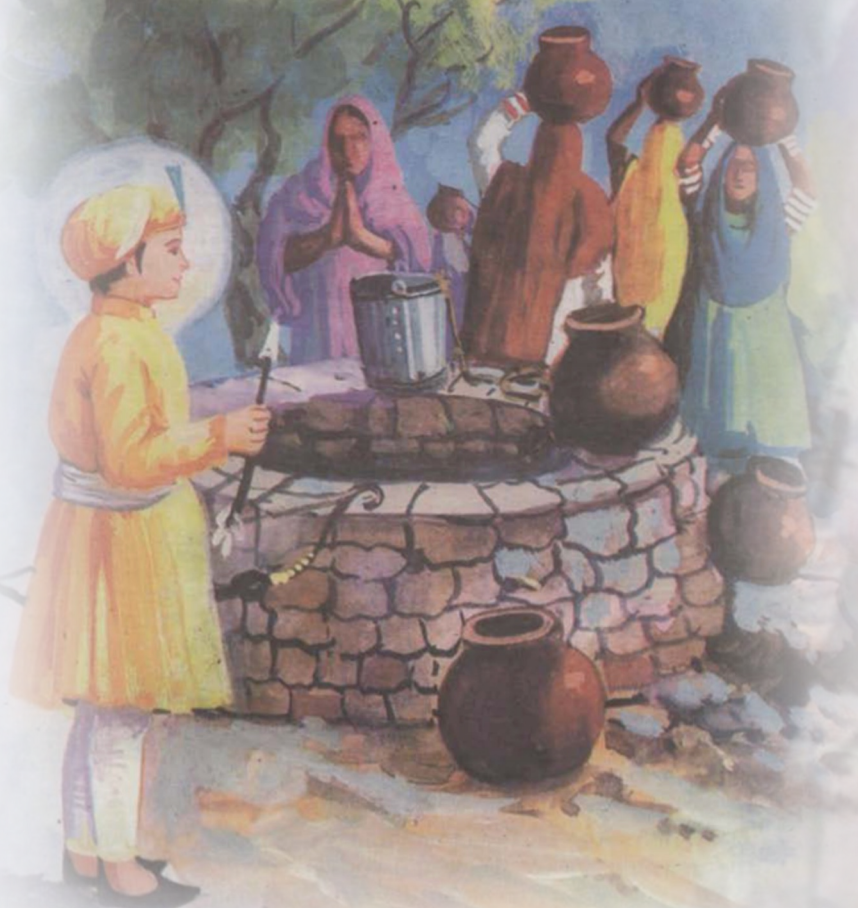
Hearing the words from the arrogant Nawab, Gobind Singh Ji's Bir Ras arose and said to the Nawab, "They are all beautiful human beings. Those whom you called monkeys will rule the country. You are an untruthful ruler. Your powers will disappear, no one will protect you, and the time will come when everything will change."

Hearing the words from Gobind Singh Ji, the Nawab was very amazed and said, "This small kid is talking like some learned or saint. He has cursed us in anger."

The elephant guider man went close to the Nawab and said, "Kids are innocent, they don't think and says whatever comes out from their mouth. They cannot differentiate between an older or young person. They have no worries and the only task they do is eating and playing. You are a very powerful person. Lets just move ahead"



SLINGSHOT



One day a kid brought a slingshot. Gobind Singh Ji took the slingshot and started aiming and firing. Gobind Singh Ji became very happy and kept the slingshot with him. He started practicing and was very happy with it. He made many pellets out of sand and water. Once they were dry, he will use them. He aimed and fired. He even taught His other friends on how to use the slingshot.

There was a well in the Guru's house many ladies use to come to fetch water in earthen pitchers. Gobind Singh Ji made the pitchers his aim and Mata Ji compensate the ladies for their resulting damage. One day while attempting to aim at the water pitcher the lady moved unexpectedly and the stone hit the lady's forehead and she started to bleed.

Mata Ji was very angry and Guru Ji locked himself in a room soon after Gobind Singh came out with a smile and Mata Ji immediately hugged him.

The lady came some time later and told Mata Ji that her son cured her disease by slingshot.

RAJA FATEH CHAND

There lived a wealthy landlord by the name of Raja Fateh Chand Maini. He had everything except for a child. He and his wife once went over to their priest, Pandit Shiv Dutt and requested for the boon of a child but he instructed them to ask it from Gobind Singh Ji as he too worshiped him. The next day both the husband and wife prepared various sorts of food in the morning and awaited for Gobind Singh Ji to come over. They had developed extreme faith and love that while playing with His friends, Gobind Singh Ji entered their house and from the back covered the eyes of the wife. She went into spiritual ecstasy and Gobind Singh Ji whispered into her ears, 'Mata Ji' (mother). Hearing this, she went into joy and her state of excitement was beyond description. Gobind Singh Ji came forward and then said, "Mata Ji, I am hungry." This was the exact thing she had imagined and it came true. She replied in a loving tone, "My beloved is hungry. My son is hungry. I am blessed! Let me immediately bring over sweetmeats and Puris (deep friend bread)." Gobind Singh Ji replied, "I don't wish to eat sweets. I want to have boiled whole grain (Ghungnia) and Puri. I only want this and nothing more than this. I love these two." Upon feeding Gobind Singh and his friends, the wife hugged Gobind Singh tightly and as she hugged, her wish for a child vanished and her spiritual level increased. Gobind Singh Ji till his stay in Patna used to visit their house everyday and Raja Fateh Chand and his wife attained Brahmngian.



PANDIT SHIV DUTT

Gobind Singh Ji along with his friends used to make two parties of soldiers and had mock battles with each other. He would give training of bow and arrow to a group of children.

Gobind Singh Ji used to carry a bow and arrows with him just like Ram Chandra. Pandit Shiv Dutt was an old worshipper of Ram and he believed that Gobind Singh Ji was an incarnation of Lord Ram. Out of his this certainty, he desired to see Gobind Singh Ji in form of Lord Ram.

One day as per his usual practice, Pandit Shiv took bath in river Ganga and then sat on the bank for meditation. On the other hand, Gobind Singh Ji reached there with other children and appeared before Pandit Shiv Dutt as Lord Ram Chandra.

Gobind Singh Ji wore yellow clothes and a bow on his shoulder. He was moving his hand on an arrow. The Pandit came forward and touched the feet of the Guru. He became Guru's true servant from heart.



RETURN TO PUNJAB

- Gobind Singh Ji had the urge to return back to Punjab but Mata Nanaki Ji and Mata Gujri Ji insisted that they stay in Patna as it is more peaceful here than in Punjab.
- Everyday since the departure of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji to Punjab, Gobind Singh Ji's urge to return to Punjab increased day-by-day. Gobind Singh Ji used to pack his belongings from Punjab everyday for his departure as he waited the command from his father.
- After some time, a messenger arrived with a letter from Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji instructing His family to come back to Anandpur Sahib, Punjab and to visit the towns on the way and bless the local Sangat with glimpse (darshan). Sri Gobind Singh Ji stopped at Lucknow to meet Pir Bhikhen Shah.

THE BRINGING UP

ਮਦ੍ ਦੇਸ ਹਮ ਕੋ ਲੇ ਆਏ ॥
ਭਾਂਤਿ ਭਾਂਤਿ ਦਾਈਅਨ ਦੁਲਰਾਏ ॥੨॥

Thereafter I was brought to Madra country (Punjab)
where various kinds of maids and nurses ery
affectionately brought me up

ਕੀਨੀ ਅਨਿਕ ਭਾਂਤਿ ਤਨ ਰੱਛਾ ॥
ਦੀਨੀ ਭਾਂਤਿ ਭਾਂਤਿ ਕੀ ਸਿੱਛਾ ॥

Protecting my body in different ways, it was made
strong and healthy and I was well educated in
various arts.



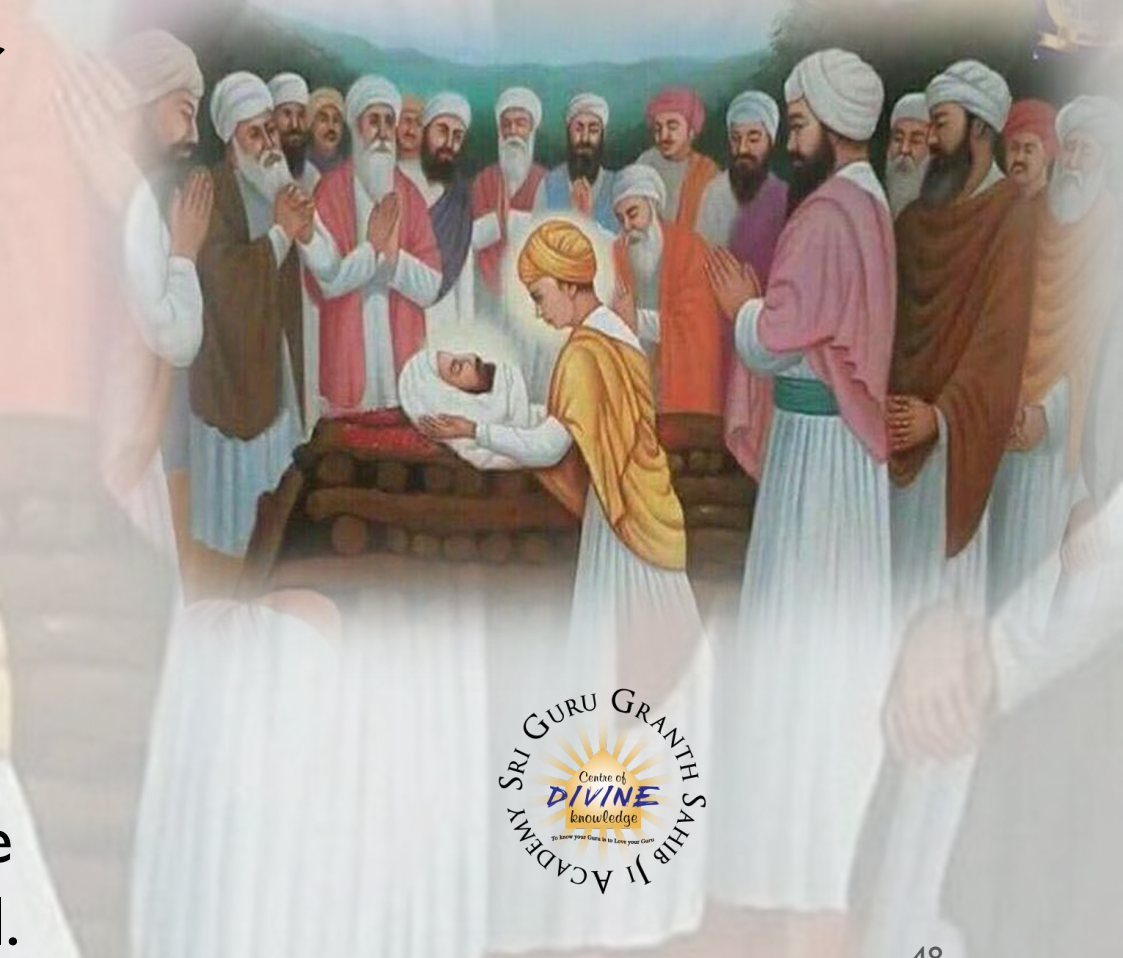
ਜਬ ਹਮ ਧਰਮ ਕਰਮ ਮੋ ਆਇ ॥
ਦੇਵਲੋਕ ਤਬ ਪਿਤਾ ਸਿਧਾਏ ॥੩॥

*When I came up of the age of
understanding of my duties, my father
left for his heavenly abode*

At the young age of 9 years old, Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji was inaugurated as the 10th Guru soon after His Father, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji sacrificed Himself to protect the freedom of faith.

His capability to lead and manage socio-politico-economical affairs of Sikh diaspora during the most challenging times under the Mughal rule is regarded as most exceptional.

THE GREATEST SACRIFICE





Dhan Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji



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