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CHET VADI 13 1695 BIKARMI (1638 CE)

GURGADHI DIHARRA

SRI GURU HAR RAI SAHIB JI

Following the practice of the Guru's House, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji placed a coconut along with 5 cents before Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji and prostrated.

Announcing Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji as the 7th Guru, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji went into a state of complete bliss.

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

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

(Sri Nanak Perakash Granth- Churamani Kavi Santokh Singh Ji)

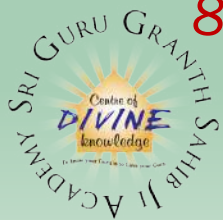


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Gurgaddi

*Inauguration of Sri Guru Har Rai
Sahib Ji as the 7th Guru
at Kiratpur Sahib*

*Chet Vadi 13, 1695 (Bikermi) 1638
A.D at the age of
8 Years 1 month 17 days*



Preparation

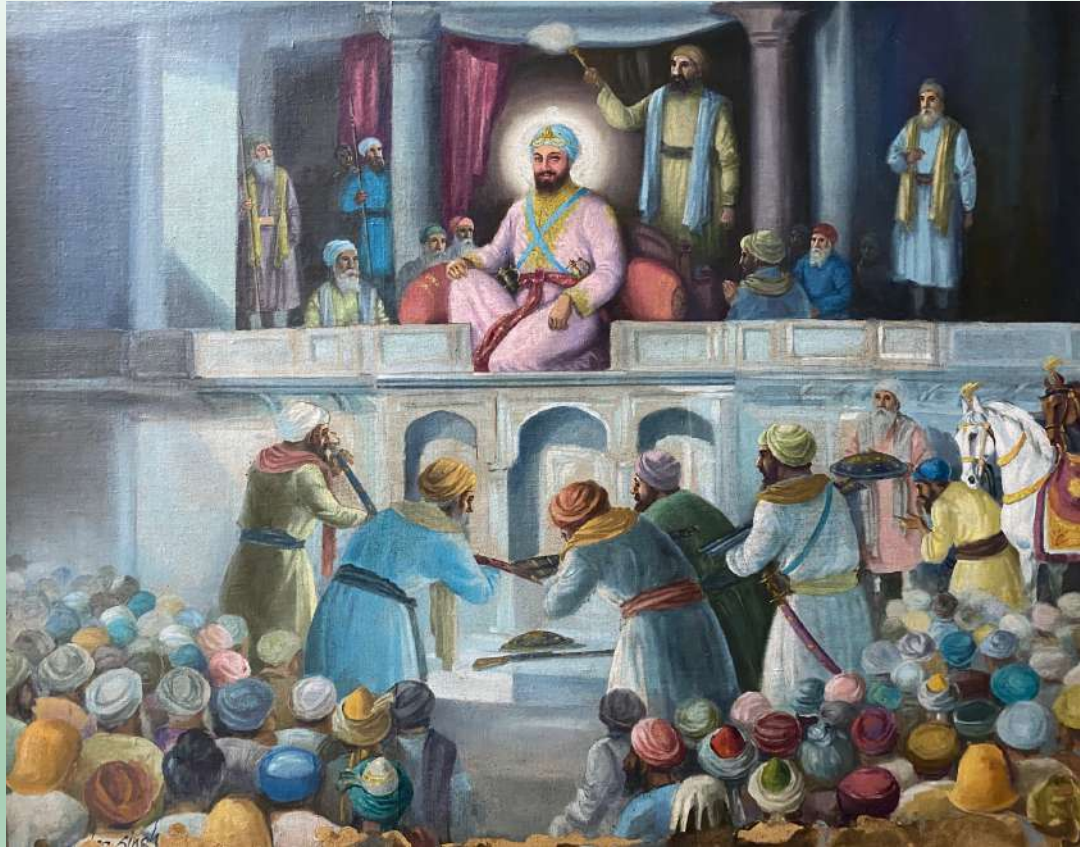
- One day, Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji instructed His Sikhs to get a stage ready in the town of Kiratpur and to spread clean cloth on the floor for the Sangat alongside having Chandoa (canopy).
- Hukamnama was sent to all regarding Guru Ji's command for all to gather in the town of Kiratpur where arrangements were being done for a great event.
- Beautiful, brand-new and expensive materials were used to decorate the area alongside the throne for Guru Ji. The massive throne had beautiful carvings and was extremely expensive.



When the messenger had passed the message to everyone in the town, Guru Ji along with his grandson, Sri Har Rai Ji reached the site.

Sri Har Rai had a very mellowly face and was of very young age. Baba Suraj Mal Ji, Baba Ani Rai Ji and Sri Tegh Bahadur were invited very respectfully.

Guru Ji also got Baba Bhana Ji who was from the lineage of Baba Buddha Ji, to accompany Him.



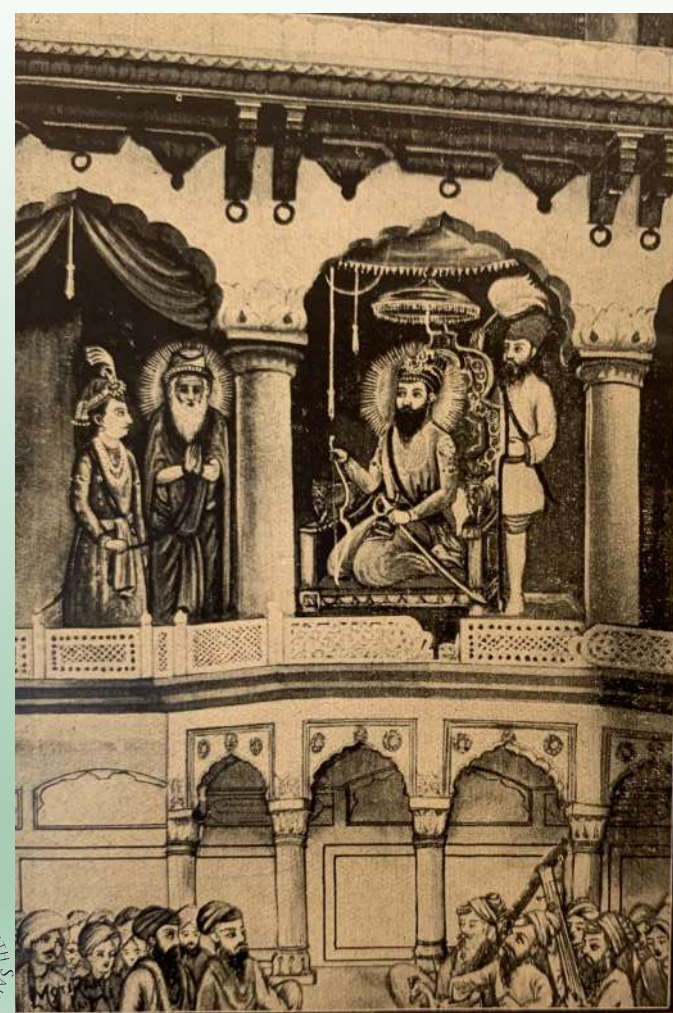
Sanggat

- Then Rai Jodh, the warrior came along with his warriors and prostrated before Guru Ji and sat close. The armed warriors of the Guru's house also arrived. The Masands of locations with great number of Sikhs came along with their congregation to the site where Guru Ji had arrived.
- Sundar and Parmanand who were in extreme bliss prostrated before Guru Ji and sat.



Command to Baba Bhana Ji

- The guards (Chobdar) with gold sticks stood around the large congregation. The crowd had covered all the four directions. One side, the Rababi (singers) were singing Gurbani and on the other side, the Bhatt were singing the praises of the Gurus. The three (3) sons of the brave warrior Guru, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji were seated close to Him and Guru Ji then ordered for five (5) paisa and one coconut.
- Baba Bhana Ji understood Guru Ji's command and he sent his helpers to procure the items. He also got saffron and sandalwood grounded to powder and got a kalgi (ornament of the turban which was reserved only for the royalty).



Gurgadhi (Inauguration)

It was **Chet Vadi 13, 1695 Bikermi (1638 A.D)**, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji then looked at Bhana Ji and said, “Dear Bhana Sahib, please be the first one to stand.” Saying this, Guru Ji got up and He performed three (3) circumambulation of Sri Har Rai Ji.

Upon completion, the tray with five paisa and a coconut was held by Guru Ji and given to Sri Har Rai Ji. Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji then bowed before Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji. Baba Bhana Ji then placed a Tilak on Guru Har Rai Sahib’s forehead.

Sri Guru Har Rai Ji’s age at Guruship was
8 Years 1 month 17 days



Upon completion of the ceremony, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji uttered,

“Consider Sri Har Rai Ji as the Guru just like how you consider me.”

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Honouring

- The congregation was awestruck as they knew that Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji will be merging with the formless soon. Everyone got up to pay their respect to Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji.
- The first one to present a gift to Guru Har Rai Ji was Baba Bhana Ji who gave a string studded with diamonds with a Kalgi which had large number of pearls. Together with this, Baba Ji also gave a beautiful horse and a falcon. After which, the Masands gifted many items to Guru Ji. These were, wealth, silk clothes, jewellery and horses.
- Everyone was sad within as they knew that Guru Hargobind Sahib will be leaving his physical form soon but this was overshadowed by the bliss of having the glimpse of Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji. The congregation had the sight of both the Gurus.



- Rai Jodh too gave a horse to Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji and prostrated. Bhai Bhagtu Ji, Bhai Behlo Ji, Bhai Roopa Ji among other prominent Sikhs were blissful seeing this occurrence and all bowed their head on Guru Har Rai Sahib's feet. All accepted Guru Ji's command and considered Guru Har Rai Sahib as the next Guru. The glow from Guru Har Rai's face was radiant and the praises of Guru Ji was sung.
- Upon conclusion of the event, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji held Guru Har Rai Sahib's hand and brought Him back to home where both sat on a bed. The Sikhs and their representatives came to Guru's quarters in extreme worry that Guru Hargobind Sahib will be leaving His physical body behind. Some amongst them were saying, "Guru Ji has given Guruship to his grandson and His three sons are left empty handed. Even the eldest grandson did not receive anything. Guru Ji will leave His physical body soon."

Gratitude



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Blessings

Before Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib merged into His formless form He had a conversation with Sri Guru Har Rai Ji





Before Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji merged into His Formless Form, while addressing the Sikhs, Guru Ji looked at Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji said,

“Just as You see, bless as such. Always bless the Sikhs with your sermons and remove their difficulties. Just like me, wake up in the ambrosial hours (early morning- Amritvela) and have your shower. Upon which, concentrate on the knowledge of reality and utter the words of devotion. Remain in the code of conduct. If you have any questions, raise them now. Have fortitude and do not remorse. Take care of the Sikh congregation and the representatives (Masand). Be with everyone and your form is mine.”

Upon listening to His grandfather, Guru Har Rai Ji replied,

“The Mughal Emperor has been opposing us. He is greater in terms of wealth and the number of soldiers. Where shall we have a confrontation with them? Which place shall we construct to kill the enemies? Should I stay in this town or go somewhere else so I can wage a great war? With great strength, we can make crush the enemy to the soil. Let a war happen, we will retaliate with greater casualty to them.”

Listening to Guru Har Rai Ji's speech, the congregation was amazed by the intelligence and strategy while being of a young age. Everyone considered that upon receiving the Guruship, Guru Har Rai Ji has become even more abled.



- Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji replied,

“You shall never pursue any war. Maintain peace with the enemy. Do not get involved in any quarrel. Always keep a cavalry of 2,200 men and never have a thought of going into a battle. Stay at home and enjoy bliss.”

- Sri Har Rai Ji replied,

“What if the enemy attacks us with a large force upon us? If with great force and ego the enemy comes upon us, what shall we do then? Please command. If this happens, I am sure we will fight them off.”



Merciful Guru Hargobind Ji said,

“Whoever does attempt, will never be able to reach you. The attacker shall perish just like the clouds of mist. Just like hale stone, he will melt on its way. No one will be able to reach you. The boon which I have given you, consider it as permanent and it shall never go away. Always remain in bliss.”

Listening to Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji, Guru Har Rai Ji was extremely pleased and He bowed on His grandfather’s feet.



3

The 7th Guru

Sri Guru Har Rai Ji's made Sikhs firm and kind. He trained Sikhs to serve the world and its nature He gave all that is meant for people to enjoy from their creator



Kiratpur – The City of Praise

- Sri Guru Har Rai Ji planted a large orchard with rare herbs and fruits serving all six seasons.
- The public were allowed to visit the orchard and make a request for any herb required by their physician to cure any specific illness.
- Facilities to treat and care the sick and needy was also established in Kiratpur Sahib.
- Yet, Sri Guru Har Rai was a soldier of the highest order – in the lines of Saint soldiers raised by Guru Hargobind earlier. He kept a strong force of 2200 horsemen ready to be deployed whenever necessary.
- Sri Guru Har Rai concentrated on strengthening the pillars of Sikh faith by preaching its fundamentals and practising the faith with understanding of the core teachings



Zoo

Sri Guru Har Rai had shown a good combination of firmness and kindness. He was a mighty hunter and yet, he was too kind-hearted to kill the animals he had chased or captured.

As a result, he would bring them home, feed them and protect them in a zoo. In fact, Guru Ji had strict orders not to kill any animals, but to care for them. Sikhs would play the small dhol (hand held drum) and giant nagaras (drums) whilst travelling with Guru Ji.

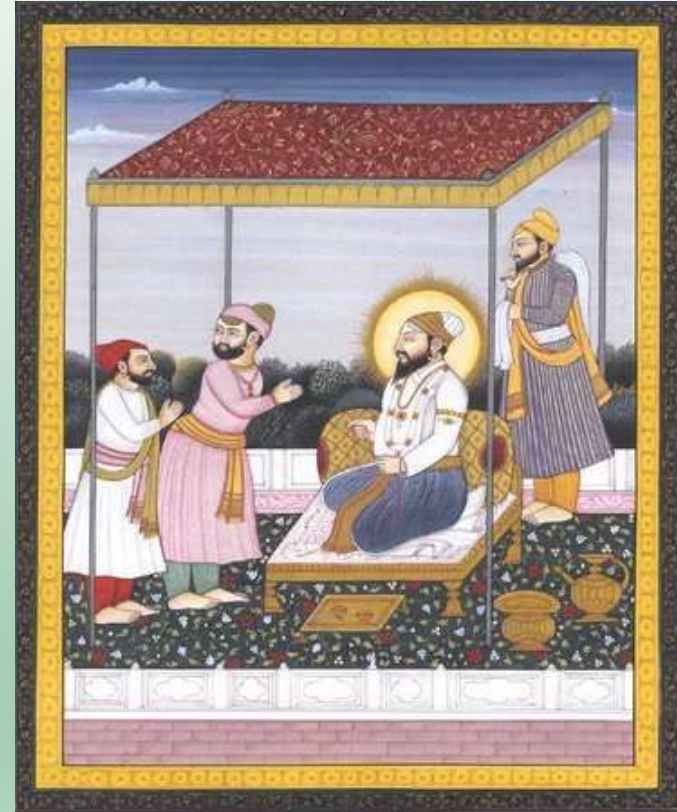
The warriors would chase the animals with full enthusiasm and catch them. Eagles, tiger cubs, rabbits, deers and countless other animals were cared for and raised here.

(Note: The oldest known zoo in the world is in Austria (Schönbrunn) opened in 1752 AD. Which means that Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji (1630-1661 AD) was the first in the world to introduce the concept of a zoo for the conservation of animals.)



Sikhi Preaching

- Bhagat Bhagwan and Bhai Feru, two disciples of Guru Har Rai who came to His sanctuary stood out as examples of selfless service in spreading the teachings of the Sikh gurus.
- Bhagat Bhagwan established 360 centers of Sikh faith in and around Gaya and Patna, in Bihar in East India.
- Bhai Feru was sent to Chunia, south of Lahore in present day Pakistan, to organize the Sikhs. The langar or community kitchen instituted by Bhai Pheru was famous throughout Punjab for its conformity of the ideals of the Sikh teachings. A city by the name of Bhai Pheru came up about 40 miles south of Lahore and about 25 miles from Nankana Sahib, the birthplace of Guru Nanak. The city was recently renamed as Phoolnagar.



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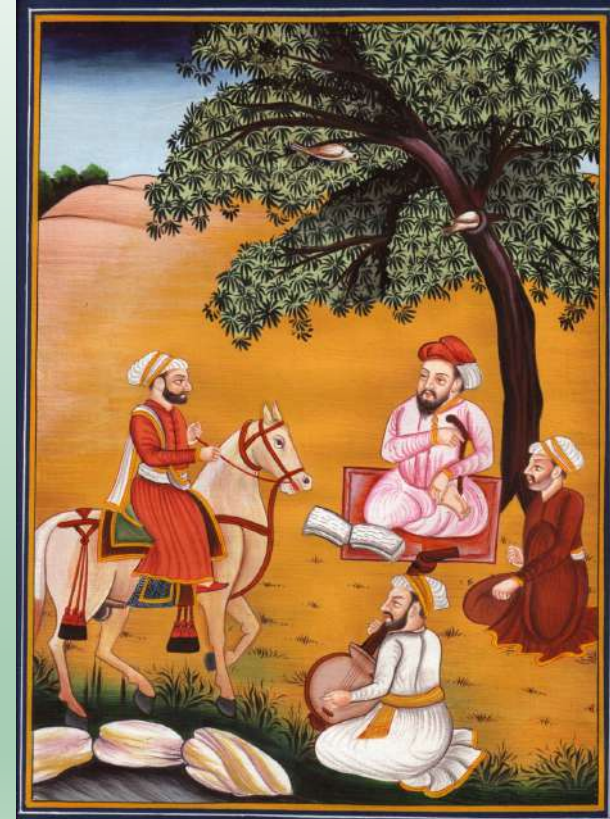
Daily Routine

Sri Guru Har Rai Ji kept a very disciplined routine while blessings and at the same time fulfilling their worldly and spiritual needs



Routine - Amritvela

- Three (3) hours before dawn, Guru Ji used to get up and takes his bath with 101 pails of fresh water. Then Guru Ji would sit and pray with his eyes closed until sunrise. At the same time Guru Ji's Sikhs would do Kirtan with various musical instruments.
- Whenever Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji walked, he would gather His 101 pleated chola (cloak) in His hands. This was due to an incident when he accidentally broke a flower with His chola. His Grandfather, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji instructed Him to hold onto His chola and Guru Ji obeyed this order throughout his life.
- Guru Ji would sit quietly in the congregation during Kirtan. A glimpse of Him would erase all sadness and difficulties and liberated the congregation from the worldly ocean. Those who came with love and faith got their wishes fulfilled.



Morning Routine

Guru Ji would sit for hours in the Sangat. Sikhs would concentrate on Guru Ji's feet and cherish His Darshan. They would sing aarti kirtan and when the kirtan finished, an Ardas (supplication) would be done. A langari (cook) would then come to the devan hall and tell everyone that Langar (community free food) was ready. With Guru Ji's permission, the cook would return to the kitchen to start preparations for serving the langar to the Sangat. Then all of them would share a meal together in the Langar (free kitchen). Sikhs would not eat until Guru Ji had started His meal. Just as the stars shine in the presence of the beautiful moon, this way all the Sikhs resided like a family in the Sadh Sangat (true congregation) with Guru Ji. The meals prepared were pure vegetarian.



Afternoon

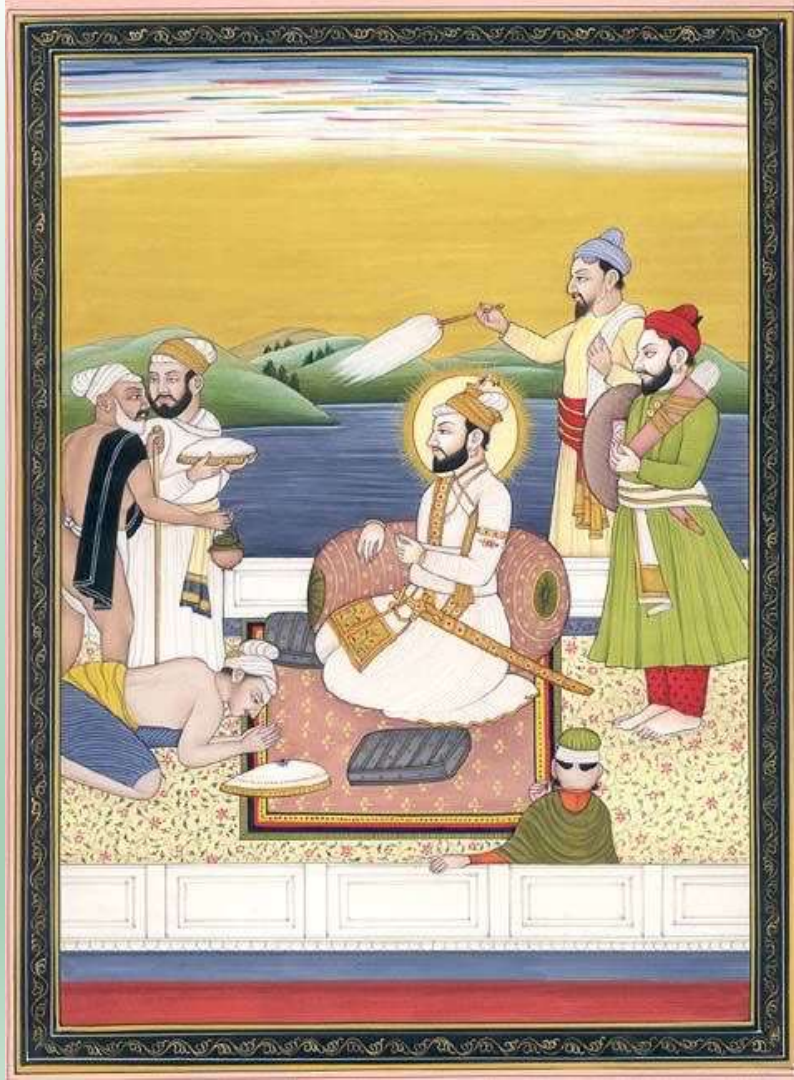
In the afternoon, Guru Ji would lay down to rest. In the evening Guru Ji would ask his Sikhs to bring all the weapons. Guru Ji would wear a Talwar (curved sword) with a golden hilt, a quiver of arrows on his back and would hold a bow in His hand. Guru Ji subsequently tied a kamar kasa (waist sash - tied by warriors in the subcontinent) and would ride a beautiful horse. Guru Ji made the horse jump and run before riding into the jungle with His warrior Sikhs.



Sermons

Just like the sun that rises and sets bringing light to the dark lands, similarly, Guru Ji erased all the ignorance of a being just as the sun erases darkness. As the sun rises and gives happiness to all, the same way Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji blessed His disciples with happiness. Guru Ji gave aspiration to all saying:

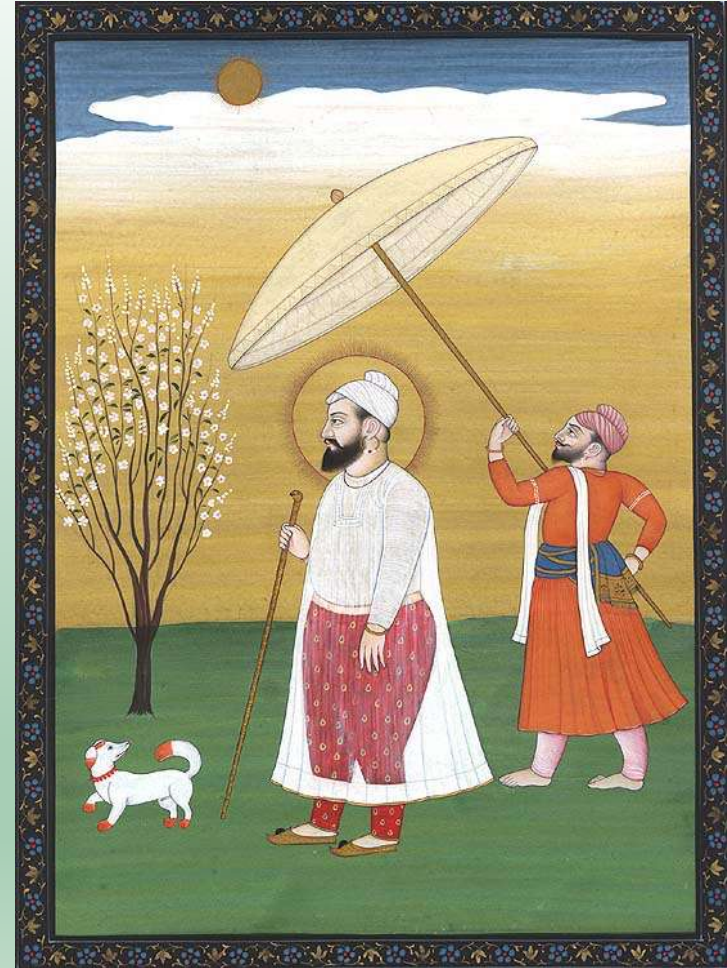
“Sangat Ji, recite Almighty’s name (Satnam) and meditate. This human life is of no use if you don’t meditate on the Lord’s name, let go of all doubts and realize that all attachments are temporary. Obtained the true knowledge and share it with others.”



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Glories Guruship

Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji



Compassion

- Shah Jahan had 4 sons and he had appointed each of them to govern different parts of his empire – the eldest Dara Shikoh ruled over the Punjab and Kashmir in the north, Shujah was sent to the East to rule over Bengal, Aurangzeb to Deccan in the south and Murad to Gujarat in the West.
- Aurangzeb was over zealous to grab the throne by overtaking Dara Shikoh. He wanted to kill Dara Shikoh first before killing Suja Mohammad. He bribed one of the servant ay royal kitchen to mix tiger whiskers in Dara Shikoh’s rice. After consuming the rice Dara Shikoh fall sick, and all the royal physician could not determine the cause of poisoning.
- A wise physician detected the cause and told Shah Jahan to search precisely for ‘hered’ (*myrobalan chabulic* - herbal supplement for digestion) weighing 28 tola (1 tola = 11.664 grams) and clove weighing one gram as the treatment. This was the only remedy to save Dara Shikoh.
- This was only available in Sri Guru Har Rai Ji’s garden, upon request, Guru Ji was delighted to provide it.
- When asked why he had saved the life of Shah Jahan’s son when Shah Jahan had been tormenting him, the Guru with much compassion replied:



“Man plucks flowers with one hand and offers it with the other – the flowers perfume both hands alike. The axe cuts the sandalwood tree, yet the sandalwood perfumes the axe.”

(Panth Perkash)

Love above All

- Sri Guru Har Rai Ji always sits down before Sikhs served food. This is the practice of the house of Guru Nanak. He would never consume anything while riding His horse. Once a lady who had immense faith and love for Guru Ji, thought of providing food for Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji. As she was in extreme poverty, there was nothing at her home to eat. After working and earning some money, she bought groceries and prepared chapatti (flat bread) with ghee and sugar. She took extreme precaution in cleanliness and made two chapatis and placed them on a plate.
- Holding the plate with a handkerchief she went directly to Guru Ji's place. While walking, she thought to herself: "How will I take this to Guru Ji? There are thousands of people there." Then she thought of Guru Ji: "Dear knower of all hearts, please fulfil my wish."
- Guru Ji the knower of all immediately headed towards the lady and on reaching her said: "I am very hungry, Mata Ji (mother), please give me the food that you have prepared for me, the food that you are holding in your hands. I am going into the forest, I will be there a while and I will be hungry then." Mata Ji was in ecstasy hearing it. Guru Ji without washing His hands started eating the food prepared with love by a Sikh. The Sikhs came with folded to ask why did Guru ate the lady's bread while riding the horse and not even washing His hands, Guru Ji replied:

"Dear Sikhs listen, the lady who prepared the food has a pure mind through meditation and devotion. With humbleness she prepared the food. She worked hard with her own hands and got paid, with that pay she bought and made the food herself. Everything became very pure. Where there is lots of love, then I have the hunger to eat. Where the food is flavoured with love and devotion, I cannot decline it and I am bound to eat it. This has been the practice for many ages. There is no code of conduct where there is love."



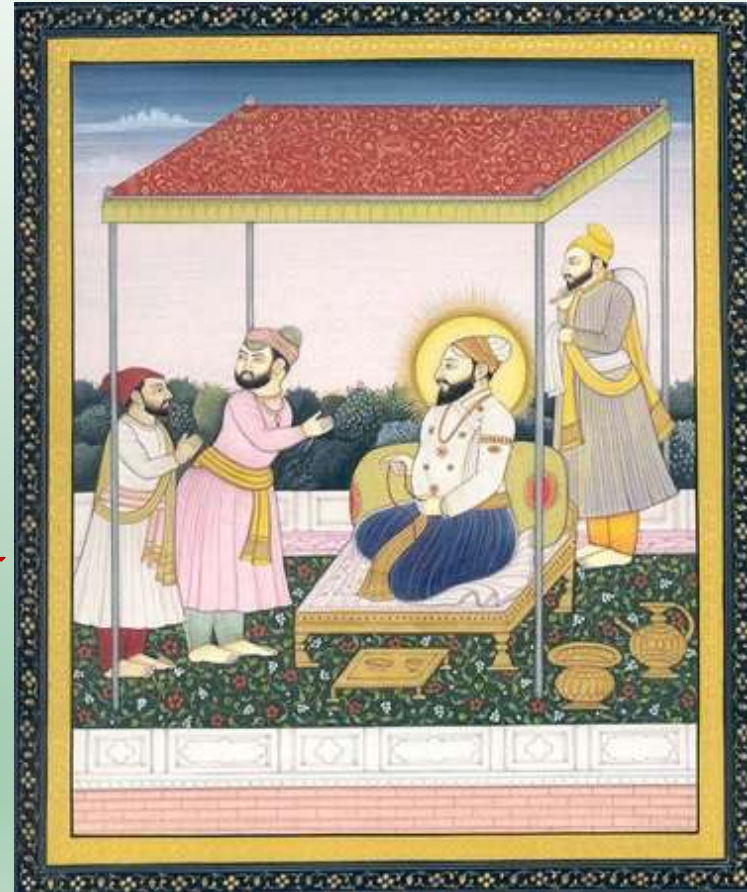
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Seva & Simran

- One day a Sikh came with folded hands and pleaded, “Guru Ji, you are the caretaker of the orphans (spiritual orphans). How can I do your sewa? If a poor Sikh who does not have any wealth, despite much effort is still poor, what kind of sewa can he do so that his life will be more productive?”
- In the presence of the Sangat Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji spoke:

“My disciple that loves me is dear to me. Those Sikhs’ that have ‘shabad’ in their heart are the ones that meditate day and night. A Sikh that donates money and rice with faith, all his laze and poorness will vanished.”

Guru Ji narrated a sakhi (true story) in relation to the greatness of contributing to langar (free kitchen) as follows;



The Greatness of Contributing to Langgar

- In a village, there lived a Sikh who was very poor. He had no possession and had nothing to eat, most of the days he would starve. In his hut lived two birds. The birds in their previous life were both Sikhs. They were reborn as birds.
- Seeing the poor Sikh, both the birds become very sad. They decided to help him. The birds with their beak started to carry grains of rice from the poor man's house and included those grains in Guru Ji's Langar. Within a few days, the poor man's hut was filled with food and wealth.
- Both the birds worked very hard. This continued to carry grain for a few days. Now there was so much wealth in the hut. Using the wealth the man demolished his small hut and made a beautiful house in which he started to live happily. As there was no hut anymore, the birds shifted to a tree.
- From that day onwards, the wealth started reducing. This happened because the rice was no longer being included in Guru Ji's Langar. He started becoming poor again. Then he pleaded: "Guru Ji, without You there is no other protector, please protect me. On this land all Sikhs pray to You. From being penniless I became very wealthy now I am poor again. Please help. You are the greatest; there is nobody like You. Guru Ji, all is in Your hands." Guru Ji said;

"Whenever a contribution is made to Langar (free kitchen) consider that it has reached me. The Sikhs who prepare and feed other Sikhs, will be liberated in this world and in the next world. Always do this good deed of feeding others. Whoever shares with faith and love, will be blessed. Quantity does not matter, what matters is one gives with love. Only that person who has Almighty's grace upon him can do such good deeds."

Misuse of Sangat's Funds

- Guru Ji with His army went into the jungle as they were proceeding a large snake appeared before Him. There were hundreds of ants eating the snake alive. The snake kept tossing and turning, it was in pain and suffering..
- Guru Ji looked at the snake. Guru Ji felt pity and he liberated the snake by slicing the snake's neck with His half moon shaped arrow. The Sikh who were observing asked "Dear Master, who is this? Tell us what sin had it committed that it had to suffer like this?"
- Guru Ji said, "In its previous life, this snake was a priest who claimed himself to be a Guru and God. He claimed to be able to liberate his devotees and collected money from them to perform fake rituals. After his death his devotees could not attain salvation and reincarnated as ants. He was indebted to them therefore his devotees were eating his flesh. Guru ji reminded Sikhs;

"One should never misuse the funds of the Sangat, for he/she will suffer. Nobody will be able to protect you. Those who earn and serve the saints with their earnings will be taken care of by me."



True Devotion



- Bhai Gonda Ji was Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji's devotee. Without fail he used to place Guru Ji's portrait in his heart and on a daily basis visited Guru Ji. Recognising his devotion Guru Ji assigned him to be the preacher in Kabul.
- In Kabul, Bhai Gonda served the sanggat with love and dedication. One day, after taking bath during Amritwela (wee hour) Bhai Gonda Ji did the first stanza of Japji Sahib in which he was deeply immersed in the love for Guru Ji and within his thoughts he held Guru Ji's feet with his hands.
- At the same time in Kiratpur Sahib, Guru Ji was sitting on His throne in a stand-still position for the whole day till evening although the Sikhs came numerously inviting Guru Ji for breakfast, lunch and dinner. In the late evening, when Bhai Gonda woke from his meditation, Guru Ji stood up. Upon enquiries from the Sikhs, Guru Ji said;

“In Kabul there lives a Sikh whose name is Gonda. He has been holding my feet with full concentration, how can I move away from my seat. I cannot go for Langar while he holds onto my feet. I am waiting for him to release my feet. He has held them very tightly, so I cannot move.”

The same was later verified by Sikhs with the Sanggat of Kabul and the details matched perfectly.

The Greatness of Gurbani

Once, Sikhs in a congregation said, “Whoever is blessed by Guruji will have the ability to do seva (service) in the proper way. We are of very low intellect. With your merciful glance, our difficulties can disappear. Your words are like a boat that can ferry us across the terrible world ocean.” Har Rai ji then addressed the congregation.

The development of spiritual awareness is like a growing tree. The reading of Gurbani is like providing fertile ground for the tree to grow. By understanding Gurbani and contemplating it, the five evils and sins are all destroyed. Pure souls always meditate on Gurbani. Meditation on the Waheguru’s Name creates strong currents in the mind which have the ability to destroy sins and replace them with universal love.

The ones who meditate on Gurbani reach higher spiritual states and remain connected with Waheguru within them. Waheguru’s Name, if meditated upon, has the power to liberate the soul.

Gurbani is like a lion which is able to overpower greed that is as strong as an elephant. Ignorance in the mind makes it very restless like a deer. By reciting Gurbani, the deer mind of ours is easily brought under control.”



Benefits of Reading Gurbani

One day, some Sikhs asked Guru Har Rai Ji whether those who read Gurbani without understanding it obtain any spiritual advantage from it. Guru ji gave no reply at the time, next morning He invited the Sangat to accompany Him. On the way, Guru Ji came across a broken pot which had held butter. Sunrays were melting the butter on the fragments of the broken pot. Guruji took one of these fragments in his hand and ask “what was the pot used for?, Sikhs upon observing the broken pieces said, ‘Guru Ji no doubt that ghee was stored for a long period of time in this pot’. Guru Ji then explained,

"Looking at these broken pot pieces the clue of its contain is obvious. Although it does not contain the ghee anymore but it has been absorbed by pot. When its heated, the butter still melts. The pot did not understand its contain but it remain immersed similarly Guru's Word immerses with our soul. A thorough understanding of Gurbani is beyond our intelligence but one who loves and reads Gurbani will be blessed by God whether one is able to understand or not, it has within it the seed of salvation as the perfume of ghee still clings to a broken vase."





Respect for Gurbani

One day, Sri Guru Har Rai Ji, was lying down and slept in total bliss. After a while, two Sikhs came from a different country came to meet Guruji and whilst approaching they were singing Gurbani kirtan.

Upon hearing the hymns, Guruji woke up and very quickly sat up with the intention to leave the bed. As Guruji was getting down from his bed, his knee hit the pava (bed's leg) very hard and was injured. Without bothering about his knee, Guruji stood up straight and folded his hands. The Sikhs who were there saw Guruji's swollen knee and started to massage the injured knee. Later, a Sikh folded his hands and asked Guruji, "Dear respectful True Guru, why did you wake up? What caused you to stand up in such a rush?" Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji replied,

"Listen dear Sikhs, you are my most beloved ones. The true form of the Guru is Gurbani. Therefore, Gurbani's praises are beyond measurement and incomparable. If one reads Gurbani, one's five enemies will be completely washed away. A Sikh who respects Gurbani shall be ferried across this dreadful materialistic worldly ocean without any difficulties. Gurbani's greatness is far beyond description"

Gurbani is Perpetual

Guru Har Rai Ji's intelligent and smart prince (Sahibzada), Sri Ram Rai Ji, was sent to Delhi to represent the house of Guru Nanak upon the invitation from Aurangzeb. To prove of Guru Nanak's greatness, Ram Rai demonstrated 72 miracles at King's assembly. Everyday, he was rewarded with thousands of rupees. One day, when Aurangzeb enquired the meaning of Gurbani (hymns of the Gurus) :-

ਮਿਟੀ ਮੁਸਲਮਾਨ ਕੀ (Mitti Musalman Ki)

Ram Rai Ji changed it verbally to:-

“ ਮਿਟੀ ਬੇਈਮਾਨ ਕੀ ” (Mitti Be-iman Ki)

When Guruji came to know about this, with great disappointment, he said that Ram Rai had changed the Gurbani of the earlier Guru for which he may not come and see Guruji. Guruji further said that Ram Rai should remain wherever he was and must never come back to Guruji and that no Sikh should give him any offerings as he is expelled (excommunicated) from the House of Guru Nanak.

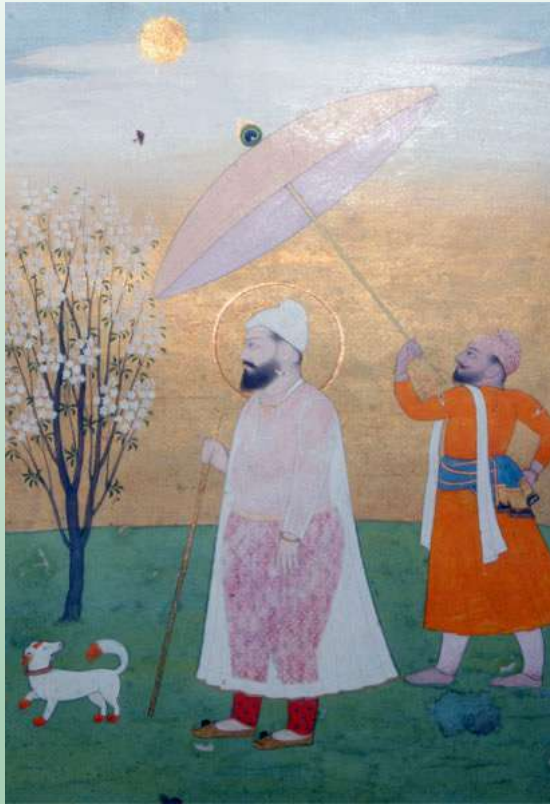


Boon for Kingdom

- Kauday Clan refused to spare some of their ancestry land to house the people of Meraj who were travelling on bull carts from one place to another.
- Meraj Clan leader came to Sri Guru Har Rai Ji to ask for a land. Guru Ji asked Kala to defeat Seth Pirana who was a very strong and influential man. During the war, Sri Guru Har Rai Ji protected Kala and helped him to win the battle. Thereafter the Meraj Clan established themselves as land owners
- One day, Kala brought along his two orphan nephews by the names of Loheya and Santhaly along to be blessed by Guru Ji. They bowed their heads, stood up and then started hitting their stomach. Guru Ji asked why they were hitting their stomach, Kala answered: “These children are hungry’.
- Guru Ji said to him: “The one that you are carrying will become a King of a region. He will have a huge army and many horses. He will be riding on horses to increase his power in the region. His future generations will also be Kings. He will have love for the Gurus and will perform sewa regularly. The other child will also make a name for himself. He will be called by the title of Chowdary. He will also have a good family lineage.”



Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji



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AGE AT
GURUSHIP

8 Years 1 month 17 days

TOTAL AGE

30 years 8 months 20 days

TIME AT
GUR GADHI

22 years 6 months 20 days

REGIMES

- Emperor Shah Jahan (1628 to 1658 A.D.)
- Emperor Aurangzeb (1658-1707 A.D.)