

SIKH HISTORY CARDS

PART - 2



Dr. Varinderpal Singh

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Dear children!

You are a wonderful creation of God. Atam Pargas in its steadfast resolve to help you imbibe the virtues of wondrous Lord and to groom you as 'Truthful Human Beings' had published a dozen of books under the title '**Jeeveey Gurbani Naal**' in 2010. A large number of academic institutions have included these books in the school syllabus and have persistently expressed their desire for more such books for primary students.

I am grateful to Almighty for giving us strength to publish a series of new books to meet the demand of academic institutions. Dear children! Your experiences of working on these books shall be of immense help for developing multidimensional personality of yours in tune with ethos of Gurbani. The fragrance of your virtuous life style will spread all around to inspire others to emulate you and also make you feel contented and complete.

Dr. Varinderpal Singh 

Gurbani: The Light House To Enlighten Humanity

There is need to spread the message of Gurbani to humanity for the welfare of mankind. Guru Ji has blessed Dr. Varinderpal Singh to contribute for the cause by authoring school curriculum books of various subjects in the light of Gurbani.

In 2010, his hard work lead to publication of **Jeeveey Gurbani Naal** book series consisting of twelve books for 2nd to 9th standard students. These books have been well received, appreciated and included in curriculum of hundreds of academic institutions. I am pleased to know that he has penned a new series of more than a dozen books titled – **Gurmukhi Akhkhari Card** (two volumes), **Gurmukhi Akhkhari Giaan**, **Gurmukhi Akhkhari Abhiaas**, **Punjabi Abhiaas Pustak** (four volumes), **Atam Pargas Art Book** (two volumes), **Atam Pargas Scrap Book** (two volumes), **Sikh History Cards** (English - two volumes) and **Sikh Itihaas Card** (Punjabi - two volumes). I wish many more academic institutions will introduce these publications in their syllabus for the benefit of students and society.



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Upbringing Of Tiny-Tots In Accordance With Gurmat

The foundation for building an ideal character has to be laid during the childhood. To cater this need, Dr. Varinderpal Singh had written a series of twelve books titled '**Jeeveey Gurbani Naal-Sulekh Mala**', '**Jeeveey Gurbani Naal- Rang Mala**' and '**Jeeveey Gurbani Naal- Chittar Mala**' each in four volumes in 2010. Academic institutions have shown great enthusiasm to include these books in their syllabus.



In view of constant demand for other subjects, Dr. Varinderpal Singh has written more than a dozen new books titled - **Gurmukhi Akhkhari Card** (two volumes), **Gurmukhi Akhkhari Giaan**, **Gurmukhi Akhkhari Abhiaas**, **Punjabi Abhiaas Pustak** (four volumes), **Atam Pargas Art Book** (two volumes), **Atam Pargas Scrap Book** (two volumes), **Sikh History Cards** (English - two volumes) and **Sikh Itihaas Card** (Punjabi - two volumes). Inclusion of these two dozen books in the school syllabus will be of immense help to the school managements in imparting value based education to the students.

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1. Mata Kheevi Ji

Mata Kheevi (1506-1582 A.D.) was married to Bhai Laihna Ji who later became Sri Guru Angad Dev Ji, the second Sikh Guru. She is known for efficiently managing free kitchen (*Guru ka langar*) with utmost care and dedication. She helped Guru Ji in building Sikhism on a stronger footing. She served Sikh community with full devotion and dedication for thirty years after the Jotee Jot of her husband. Her pleasant personality and unparalleled hospitality made a large contribution to the spirit of selfless service, an essential trait of the Sikh belief. She was fortunate to meet and work under the leadership of five Sikh Gurus. Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji (Fifth Sikh Guru) himself performed her last rites and funeral.



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4. Bhai Gurdas Ji

Bhai Gurdas (1551-1636 A.D.) was born at Goindwal Sahib in Tarn Taran Sahib district of Punjab. He was orphaned when he was just twelve. Sri Guru Amardas Ji adopted him and taught Sanskrit, Braj, Persian and Punjabi (Gurmukhi) languages. He was later sent to Agra for propagating the message of Gurbani. He played a pivotal role in the construction of *Amrit Sarovar* at Sri Harmandir Sahib, Sri Amritsar Sahib. After Sri Guru Ramdas Ji had passed away, Bhai Gurdas worked under the guidance of Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji and wrote the *Adi Granth* (later Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji) in 1604. His literary works (*Varan Bhai Gurdas* and *Kabit Swayeye Bhai Gurdas*) are considered as key to understand the message of Gurbani.



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9. Mata Sahib Kaur Ji

Mata Sahib Kaur (1681-1747 A.D.) was born at Jhelum, Pakistan and her first name was Sahib Deva. Her father Bhai Rama, offered her as bride to Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. But being already married, Guru Ji refused. On request of Sahib Deva to allow her to remain in the service of Guru Ji, she was allowed to stay in *sangat*. Later in 1699 A.D., when Guru Ji created Khalsa, she was assigned the sewa of adding patasas (sugar wafers) in the *Amrit* (ambrosial nectar) and was given the honour of the 'Mother Of Khalsa'. When Guru Ji left Anandpur Sahib, she was separated from family during the battle on the bank of Sarsa river and Bhai Mani Singh Ji escorted her to Sri Damdama Sahib. She accompanied Guru Ji to Nanded. At Nanded, Guru Ji told Mata Ji about the time of his *joti jot* and asked her to leave for Delhi to advise the Khalsa and stay with Mata Sundar Kaur Ji. She left for heavenly abode at Delhi in 1747 A.D.



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13. Bhai Mani Singh Ji

Bhai Mani Singh (1644-1738 A.D.) was childhood companion of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. He served Khalsa Panth in various capacities including Head Granthi of Sri Harmandir Sahib and Jathedar of Sri Akaal Takhat Sahib. In 1737 A.D., Bhai Mani Singh decided to hold Sarbat Khalsa meet at Sri Harmandir Sahib on *Bandi Chhor Divas* (Diwali). The Governor Lahore, Zakaria Khan, planned massacre of Sikhs during the meet. Bhai Mani Singh got an inkling of it and conveyed the Sikhs to stay away. Zakaria Khan arrested Bhai Mani Singh and asked him to become Muslim, but he refused. Zakaria Khan ordered to kill him by cutting every joint of his body at Nakhaas Chowk, Lahore in 1738 A.D. When the executioner started cutting his wrists, Bhai Mani Singh reminded him of Zakaria Khan's order of cutting every joint. Bhai Mani Singh kept on reciting Gurbani and sacrificed his life to uphold the Sikh values.



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16. Bhai Taru Singh Ji

Bhai Taru Singh (1720-1745 A.D.) used to serve food to the Sikhs fighting against the cruel Muslim rulers. The Governor of Lahore, Zakaria Khan, arrested him for the treason. Zakaria Khan gave him choice of either converting to Islam or having his hair cut off. Bhai Sahib turned down both choices. It angered Khan and he ordered to remove his scalp. Bhai Taru Singh being a true Sikh willingly accepted the removal of scalp along with hair and embraced martyrdom. Following the martyrdom of Bhai Taru Singh, Zakaria Khan suffered unbearable pain and inability to urinate. Zakaria Khan begged forgiveness from Dal Khalsa for torturing Bhai Taru Singh. Dal Khalsa suggested Zakaria Khan should be hit on his head with Bhai Taru Singh's shoes. Zakaria Khan accepted the advice, got relief and used this treatment till his death.



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26. Bhai Maharaj Singh Ji

Bhai Maharaj Singh was born at village Rabbon, Ludhiana. His parents named him Nihal Singh. He served with devotion at the hermitage of Bhai Bir Singh's at Naurangabad. Bhai Bir Singh renamed him as Bhagwan Singh. After the death of Bhai Bir Singh, he was appointed as chief of the hermitage. Bhagwan Singh organised the Sikh chiefs and was the first Indian to lead a revolt against the British government in 1848 A.D. (nine years before the revolt of 1857 A.D.). The Sikhs welcomed him saying *Aavo Ji Maharaj* and was thus referred as Bhai Maharaj Singh. The British government was highly upset and announced an award of 10,000 rupees on his head. He was arrested on December 28, 1849 at Adampur and was deported to Singapore, where he was given inhuman treatment and martyred on July 5, 1856. Large number of Indians pay homage at his monument in Singapore.

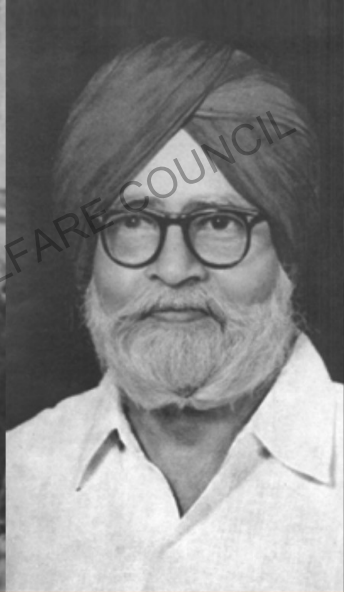


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38. General Mohan Singh Ji

General Mohan Singh (1909-1989) was the son of Tara Singh and Hukam Kaur of village Ugoke, Pakistan. His father died two months before his birth and his mother brought him up. He joined British Indian army as officer. During second world war, he announced the formation of *Azad Hind Fauj* (Indian National Army) on September 1, 1942 at Singapore to fight for independence of India. Forty thousand men especially Sikhs volunteered. Mohan Singh was appointed as founder General of the army. Subhas Chandra Bose, latter joined *Azad Hind Fauj* in June 1943. Mohan Singh was taken into custody by the British and repatriated to India to face trial. Mohan Singh's dream of independence was realized on August 15, 1947. After partition, he settled at village Jugiana in district Ludhiana. He was elected to Rajya Sabha, the upper house of Indian Parliament, for two terms.



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39. Dr. Diwan Singh Ji Kalepani

Dr. Diwan Singh Kalepani (1894-1944 A.D.) was a Punjabi poet and freedom fighter. His literary work includes *Vagde Pani* (Running Waters) and *Antim Lehran* (Winding Waves). He established Gurudwara Sahib and worked as President of the Indian National Army (INA) in Andaman. In 1942, when Japan occupied Andaman, he was appointed as Director Health. But, when Japanese looted the residents and misbehaved with women and young girls, Dr. Diwan Singh lodged a strong protest. On October 23, 1943 he was arrested and brutally tortured for 82 days. He was hung by his hair, water was pumped through his mouth and nostrils, his bones were crushed, fire was lit under his thighs, nails pulled from his fingers and toes, strips of flesh were peeled from various parts of his body. However, Japanese were unable to break his spirit even they gouged out his eyes and martyred him on January 14, 1944.



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Class	Books	Subject
Nursery	Gurmukhi Akhkhhar Giaan/Gurmukhi Akhkhhar Card (1&2)	Punjabi
L.K.G.	Gurmukhi Akhkhhar Abhiaas	Punjabi
	Punjabi Abhiaas Pustak (Part 1)	Punjabi
U.K.G.	Punjabi Abhiaas Pustak (Part 2)	Punjabi
	Punjabi Abhiaas Pustak (Part 3)	Punjabi
	Atam Pargas Art Book (Part 1)	Drawing
1st	Punjabi Abhiaas Pustak (Part 4)	Punjabi
	Atam Pargas Art Book (Part 2)	Drawing
	Atam Pargas Scrap Book (Part 1)	Arts / Social Science
2nd	Atam Pargas Scrap Book (Part 2)	Arts / Social Science
	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Sulekh Mala (Part 1)	Punjabi / Moral Science
	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Rang Mala (Part 1)	Drawing

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Class	Books	Subject
3rd	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Sulekh Mala (Part 2)	Punjabi / Moral Science
	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Rang Mala (Part 2)	Drawing
4th	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Sulekh Mala (Part 3)	Punjabi / Moral Science
	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Rang Mala (Part 3)	Drawing
5th	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Sulekh Mala (Part 4)	Punjabi / Moral Science
	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Rang Mala (Part 4)	Drawing
6th	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Chittar Mala (Part 1)	Arts / Moral Science
	Sikh History Cards (Part 1)/Sikh Itihaas Card (Part 1)	Moral Science
7th	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Chittar Mala (Part 2)	Arts / Moral Science
	Sikh History Cards (Part 2)/Sikh Itihaas Card (Part 2)	Moral Science
8th	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Chittar Mala (Part 3)	Arts / Moral Science
9th	Jeeveey Gurbani Naal - Chittar Mala (Part 4)	Arts / Moral Science

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