



## SHAHEED BHAI MANI SINGH JI GATKA AKHARA

### Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji

Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji, was known as an amazing saint, sportsman and a soldier. Their father, Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji, was the epitome of a true saint who recognised the need to collate the Bani of the previous Guru Sahibs and began a revolution that saw Sikhi become the first faith that was for the whole of mankind.

We are all aware of the sacrifice Guru Arjan Dev Ji gave. They endured a week of immense torture and like a shining example to the Sikh nation, they embraced death without flinching. While the fifth Guru was being tortured the sixth was preparing for something the Sikh faith had not witnessed before – the bearing of arms.

At a young age Guru Sahib was convinced that for sustaining the Panth, the creation of a military order was as essential as sainthood. He then proclaimed that from now on a Sikh of the Guru should be balanced in their life and represent both Miri and Piri.

Sikhs were commanded to keep a sword and maintain a horse. But the emphasis was not solely placed on the martial side of Sikhi. What many people find hard to believe is that Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji also made an invaluable contribution to the completion of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji. In Ramkali Ki Vaar by Guru Amar Das Ji, Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji gave the instruction to sing the shabad to the melody of “Jodha and Veera”. They then instructed that the correct way to read this shabad is by adding the last line of the first pauree (stanza) to the end of the other paurees. This line is: Vaahu Vaahu Sachae Paatsaah Too Sachee Naaee | |

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