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## Making sense of the Verdict of 2022 Assembly Polls

The thumping victory of Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) once again proved that now on people of Punjab would never spare non-performers. The current historic verdict is more to teach a lesson to all those who utterly failed in providing clean administration irrespective of the fact that the alternate governments of SAD (Badal) and the Congress used to provide many sops and subsidies. It is also a lesson to all political parties across varied ideological lines that none of them can win the confidence of the electorate merely by distributing wheat and rice and free electricity. What the electorate wants to be done immediately for them is to get empowered to buy food by their own self rather to remain dependent continuously on the freebies. They cannot be put on wait-

priority to decide about the choice for vote. And an amicable resolution of all of them will be the litmus test of the success of the coming new government. Now after the election results are declared, though the engaging electioneering process has come to an end, but the above-mentioned long-overdue issues will keep on haunting the newly formed government on the one hand and prompt the opposition to keep the ante up within and outside the Vidhan Sabha.

Another underlying dimension of the politics of Punjab that its electorate has vividly revealed through their latest verdict is that by defeating massively all the mafiosi and their respective political parties, they have proved that the mainstream political parties have been befooling them for

women above the 18 years of age.

The clear verdict has also proved that the deep-rooted syncretic culture of Punjab and Punjabiyat will resist firmly any move to diminish its social cohesiveness. It is a verdict against family-based, religion and caste-laced politics. The Machiavelian move by the Congress Party to consolidate about one third Scheduled Castes (SCs) population of the state in its favour by bringing in Charanjit Singh Channi first as Chief Minister in place of Amarinder Singh and later announcing his candidature for the same failed to generate any support at all on the one hand and by the SAD (Badal) to ink alliance with the Bahujan Samaj Party on the other. Both the Congress and the SAD (Badal) paid heavy price for their ex-

is more to defeat the self-centered ruling class and on the other to give a chance to a new political formation, which asked for a term to clean the accumulated muck and to provide clean and effective governance. Almost all the newly elected AAP Members of Legislative Assembly



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ing endlessly for any longer more to provide with clean and people-friendly administrative set-up right from block to state capital levels. They want quick end to all mafias from sand mining to transport, drug cartels and paid transfers.

The vibrant verdict has underlined the fact that until the various unresolved muddas (issues) in Punjab are resolved to the satisfaction of its people no political party can command their allegiance. Though 2022 Punjab Assembly election was fought mostly by all the contending political parties without bringing out their respective election manifestoes, the long overdue muddas – sharply escalating unemployment, steeping agriculture crisis, corruption, water depletion, environmental crisis, and last but not least mass migration within the state from villages to cities and to abroad in Europe, Australia and North-America in search of green pastures and also in the name of studying abroad – remain on the minds of the electorates as their first

long by playing friendly matches. The ruling classes differ only in names but seamlessly resemble in their political designs, gimmicks and self-sustaining strategies to help their near and dear as well as enhancing their personal self and power. That is why the cautious electorate saw this time that none of the heavy weights ought to be allowed to sit in the newly constituted Punjab Assembly.

They were utterly fed up with their unrelenting greed for wealth, mindless accumulation of resources during their years in power, false promises, and void announcements. They also knew very well that whatever food items are being distributed among the weaker sections of the society in the state is not something out of charity, but matched by putting more weight on the Khazana (exchequer) of the state. This does not imply that they did not want wheat, pulses and free electricity. They need them very well, that is why AAP announced in addition some monetary allowances for

clusive politics of playing the electoral card of SC votes. It shows that all the sections of the vibrant and inclusive Punjabi society stood united in their silent but written-on-the-wall resolve to defeat the veteran non-performers. Come what may, no one can break the steel walls of the proverbial invincible castle of Punjabi cohesiveness by playing with its centuries old internal unity despite its faith in multiple religions, sects and socio-political viewpoints. No doubt, it has its own internal social contradictions but it will never allow any political party to play with them in the name of partisan and exclusive politics.

The crux of the verdict of the electorate of Punjab lies in its stern lesson taught to all the mainstream political parties for their anti-people politics and overall political bankruptcy in dealing with the real issues of Punjab.

It is also a warning for the future too that the electorates are no longer going to tolerate non-performers anymore. On the hand the verdict

(MLAs) are first timers and are expected to do their best to help Punjab to come out of the mountain of public debt, revamp the state exchequer, and create conducive ambience for industry to come and grow, and once again to make it a prosperous state. The challenge is daunting, but at the same time the people of Punjab would leave no stone unturned to facilitate the soon to be formed government. There are ample instances of the success story of the peoples of Punjab when they rose valorously at varied occasions to the call of the administration to help build public resources in the state: digging canals in the warren lands of western Punjab (now in Pakistan) and establishing farming colonies over there to develop agriculture during the British rule, and helping build Green Revolution in Punjab in the late sixties and early seventies are a few but most prominent among them. The recently declared election results show firm resolve of the people of Punjab to rebuild their economy and polity once again.

# PUNJABI LEARNING CHILDREN AWARDED

It is our pleasure and proud privilege to inform the Sangat that during the Covid-19 Pandemic Sri Guru Ravidass Sabha Pittsburg (CA) started a "PUN-

JABI" learning class at its temple premises in Pittsburg for young children in the local Punjabi community. We received a very encouraging response from the parents enrolling 30 children in the starting session.



As we know well that our children born and raised in USA are living under the shadow of two different cultures' Mainstream American culture and our native culture. Since the children are very susceptible to the diversity of different environments it was an obvious effort to foster a spirit of keeping them attached to the ambit of our ancestral values based on the spiritual teachings of Gurbani and other ancestral and social values. The children were also taught the basics of the tenets of Gurbani.

With the cooperation and encouragement of the Gurughar Managing Committee Mrs. Ravneet Kaur Ghura and Mrs. Navdeep Kaur Narabut played a vital role by devoting their personal time and effort in teaching the enrolled children in a very disciplined and ethical manner which made this initiative a successful project. The Managing Committee thanks and admires these devoted Sewadars for their selfless dedication for this noble cause. On completion of this class all the enrolled children were given Appreciation Awards on the auspicious occasion of 645th Prakash Utsav of Guru Ravidass Ji Maharaj.

**PUNJABI LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IN ITS HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:-** Punjabi language and culture, viewed from its historical perspective, is one of the oldest and richest languages of the world. It's diversity and uniqueness is evident in Punjabi poetry, philosophy, spirituality, Military warfare and other valuable traditions of history. As per recorded history (adduced from Ambedkar Times (English) and Desh Doaba (Punjabi) Weeklies, was a significant language taught in the official curriculum of

TAKSHILA) University which used to be a center of learning for students all over the world in the ancient India. Punjabi is widely spoken in Northern India, Pakistan and Punjabi diaspora all over the world.

As a founder member of Shri Guru Ravidass Sabha Pittsburg, I congratulate the Gurughar Managing Committee for the success of this humane effort for the welfare of the community.



I also appreciate Mr. Prem Kumar Chumber, Chief Editor, Ambedkar Times and Desh Doaba, English and Punjabi Weeklies for the encouragement and inspiration to write a few lines on the subject for community welfare.

Thanking you.

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# IN THE LOVING MEMORY OF LATE MR. KARAMJIT SINGH RATTU

The Managing Committee of Sri Guru Ravidass Sabha Pittsburg was deeply saddened on the sudden and untimely demise of Mr. Karamjit Singh Rattu in Pittsburg, California on February 26, 2022. An unending stream of more than one thousand mourners attended his funeral services in Pittsburg Chapel on Saturday, March 5th, 2022.

Mr. Karamjit Rattu was a man with a charming personality and a helpful disposition towards those in need. He was a devoted Sewadar of Pittsburg Gurughar ever since its inception. Though Mr. Karamjit has departed physically and will be deeply missed, but a long trail of his indelible memories will keep him alive in the hearts and souls of his large family and



those who happened to know him well.

The following speakers personally well known to him paid their humble tributes to the deceased.

Mr. O.P.Balley, Dr. Harmesh Kumar, Mr. Sandhu, Mr. Ramesh Suman, Mr. Abhishek Pal Narabut and family children in a group.

soul, followed by Langar Sewa by the Rattu family. Shri Guru Ravidass Sabha again conveys its heart-felt condolences to the bereaved family for this irreparable loss.

Mr. Prem K. Chumber Chief Editor Ambedkar Times (English) and Desh Doaba (Punjabi) weekly newspapers covered the funeral services at the Chapel.



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After the cremation ceremony, the religious services with the recitation of Alhania -path and Antim Ardass were performed at Pittsburg Gurughar for peace and tranquility of the departed



# How to avoid World Wildfires?



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An annual report of the United Nations Environment Program and GRID-Arendal, a non-profit organization of Norway, released on February 23, 2022, finds the incidence of wildfires around the world is increasing rapidly due to increasing emissions of greenhouse gasses on Earth.

The report warns that global wildfires could increase by 14 per cent by 2030, 30 per cent by 2050 and 50 per cent by the end of the century. If greenhouse gas emissions continue at current rates, the Arctic and other cold regions that have not yet been affected by wildfires could be face wildfires by the end of the century. In addition, wildfires are likely to increase in Indonesia and the southern Amazon. Uncontrollable and extreme wildfires can be devastating to people, biodiversity and ecosystems. The report also reveals that climate change and land-use changes are making wildfires worse and anticipates a global increase of extreme wildfires, both these factors are linked to human activities. Wildfires lead to climate change, contributing significant amounts of greenhouse gasses to the atmosphere. Climate change is caused by earth's rising average temperature.

In the first part of the sixth IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) report released in August 2021, the scientists have clearly stated that the increase in the average temperature of the earth is due to human activities whereas in the previous reports it was mentioned as a possibility of human activity. Over the last century, the average global temperature has risen by 1.1 degree Celsius since the pre-industrial revolution due to high emissions of greenhouse gasses. Even a small rise in temperature has a huge impact, one degree Celsius rise in temperature is likely to increase the incidence of heavy rainfall by 7 times, the incidence of heat waves by 5 times whereas a 2 degree Celsius increase is likely to increase the incidence of heat waves by 14 times. A slight rise in temperature also multiplies the incidence of natural disasters, such as droughts and wildfires. In June 2021, Lytton, a small town in the Canadian province of British Columbia was devastated by wildfires after a heat wave. A similar incident took place in Galatona village on Evia island in Greece. An increase in the average temperature of the earth causes a decrease in the relative humidity in the air which leads to drought conditions which in turn increases the incidents of wildfires.

Wildfires are becoming more intense and frequent, ravaging communities and ecosystems that come in their path. The past five years have

seen record-breaking wildfires across the world from Australia to the Arctic to North and South America, China, and many European countries. Wildfires have wreaked havoc in Greece, Portugal in 2017 and 2018. Wildfires continue to rage in California in 2019, 2020 and 2021. The incidence of wildfires in California has been increasing every year from 2019 to 2021. In 2019, the number of these incidents was 50477 which increased to 58985 in 2021. The area of 7.1 million acres has been affected by wildfire in 2021. According to the United States National Interagency Fire Center, eight out of the ten largest and costliest wildfires in California have occurred in the last five years. The main cause of wildfires in California is rising temperatures and changes in land use. Temperatures in the western United States have risen by 1.5 to 2.0 degrees Fahrenheit since the beginning of the 20th century. The north-western states of Washington and Oregon saw a rise of 1.5 degrees Fahrenheit, while California saw a rise of 2 degrees Fahrenheit. With the rise in temperatures, the incidence of wildfires has been increasing by 3 days every year since 1970. According to estimates, if temperatures continue to rise at the current rate, the incidence of wildfires in the western United States could increase two to six times by 2050. The increase in wildfires in the area is also due to the abundance of Eucalyptus trees. Eucalyptus is not a local tree of California, it was planted in California in 1850 to meet the shortage of timber and fuel. It contains a lot of oil. In California, water shortages and rising temperatures can quickly cause fires to burn on dry leaves and wood of Eucalyptus leading to severe wildfires.

In 2019-2020, wildfires engulfed Australia, killing millions of wild animals and 33 human beings. Nearly 500 more deaths attributed to the health effects of wildfire smoke. The wildfires have been raging for several months in summer, that is why the 2019-2020 summer is known as the Black Summer in Australia. In 2020, the Pantanal wetland (the world's largest tropical wetland) caught fire due to a drought and high temperatures. The Pantanal wetland lost nearly a third of its biodiversity and many endangered species along with it. This wetland is spread across three South American countries: Brazil, Paraguay and Bolivia.

In 2020, an average temperature rise of 4 to 6 degrees Celsius in the northern part of Siberia, a region known as the coldest part of the Russian Federation, caused a forest fire that burned millions of wild animals and millions of hectares of forest.

Forest fires increase emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gasses into the atmosphere.

These gasses enter the atmosphere and raise the temperature. Rising temperatures increase the incidence of heat waves and droughts. Such incidents then lead to a dramatic increase in wildfires and this phenomenon repeats again and again as a vicious cycle.

Due to human activities, there is a continuous rise in the average temperature of the earth. On the other hand, in the name of economic development, large scale deforestation is taking place for roads, bridges, residential construction, mining and commercial farming. Most of the countries of the world have wasted a lot of natural resources in a blind race of economic development. A special report of IPCC titled 'Climate Change and Land' released in 2019, revealed that human activities have changed 70 per cent of the Earth's (ice-free) area. Natural vegetation has been re-



placed by concrete surfaces (settlement areas and infrastructural amenities) that emit large amounts of temperature-increasing gasses instead of absorbing greenhouse gasses. On one hand we have rapid increase in human population while on the other hand the area under forests is declining rapidly. Man is planting commercial crops in place of natural vegetation for his own economic interests, for which he is destroying forests. Since taking office in 2019, Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro has undermined the legal protections of the Amazon rainforest and the rights of the tribes living in those forests. In the name of economic development of Brazil, dense forests are being set on fire and replaced by crops like soybean and palm. Cattle pastures and habitats are also being set up for exporting meat to other countries. Increasing numbers of livestock and indiscriminate cutting and burning of forest for cultivation of commercial crops are also responsible for the increasing incidence of wildfires.

Replacement of native (local) by ornamental and commercial vegetation is also responsible for the increasing incidence of wildfires. In the Himalayan states of India (Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand) in the 19th century, the British government made extensive use of local trees such as oak, sal, and cedar, and to supplement them with a large number of eagle trees in the region which are commercially and economically viable but the wood of these trees is more

flammable which is leading to increase in wildfires in the area.

Wildfires are also deadly to human health. If left unmanaged, they can be left astray and lose the right path. They can also cause allergies in eyes and on skin. Wildfires are wreaking havoc on forests, wildlife, and the environment. According to a research study published in The Lancet Journal, 30,000 people die each year in 43 countries from the effects of wildfires. According to a report by the European Union's Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service, wildfires emitted 2.5 billion tons of carbon dioxide in the two months of July and August in 2021. Carbon dioxide is an important gas that raises the temperature.

Although it is not possible to eliminate wildfires, much can be done to reduce them. The United Nations Environment Program has called on the governments of various countries to come up with alternative and effective plans to control wildfires. So far the governments of different countries have spent only on firefighting vehicles and personnel. To prevent wildfires, the first step is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions more quickly in order to control the rise in temperature. To control the incidence of wildfires, the local vegetation needs to be taken care of. Instead of commercially viable and attractive looking trees, each country will have to re-adopt local vegetation. Commercially profitable California white and eagle trees in the Himalayan region of India are increasing the incidence of wildfires. Therefore, after cutting down these trees, local varieties of trees should be planted here. In addition, big companies and banks that are deforesting on a large scale in the name of sustainable development should be banned.

In order to control wildfires, forest dwellers must first be given the right to use the forests. At the same time, immediate help should be sought from them to put out wildfires. New fire prevention structures should be set up in the affected areas, because prevention is better than cure. Fire and Disaster Management Force should also be set up for other disasters like floods and droughts. Funding and expansion of scientific research is essential for the prevention of wildfires. Countries need to proactively involve locals, both people and companies, to plant trees and increase forest cover. Countries also need to protect the lives and rights of indigenous tribes living in forests and learn from their traditional techniques of dealing with forest fires, so they should be actively involved in the community to counter this looming threat. Deforestation needs to be counteracted with Reforestation, we cannot survive with our shrinking green cover. We need to act now, because looking at the increasing frequency and intensity of the wildfires, human life is in immediate danger. Time to act is now, any delay is too late, the world is literally on fire.

# Bootan Mandi – Citadel of a composite society in Jalandhar



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I may recall that I wrote a blog on Bootan Mandi and its socio-economic and politico-spiritual edifice in January, 2015 which may be seen at:

<https://diplomaticitbits.blogspot.com/2015/01/pseudo-secularism-case-study.html>

proposal. It is a matter of satisfaction that, in spite of the fact that Bootan Mandi is considered to be a nerve centre of dalit awakening in Punjab and beyond and the common impression that only the followers of Guru Ravidass of Chamar extraction inhabit the place, Bootan Mandi could acquire, nurture, maintain and promote the composite society over the years as good followers of Guru Ravidass and Babasaheb Ambedkar and also believers of the tenants of Guru Grant Sahib of the Sikhs and humanitarian and compassionate principles of Buddhism. Bootan Mandi was the known hub of leather business which was reserved for the low caste Chamars as per the traditional Hindu social norms but the so called Chamars of Bootan

the locals have been pushed to play second fiddle. Anyway, this issue requires further elaboration to put the things in right perspective which, hopefully, I would do later in another blog. It is a matter of gratification to note that in these days of widening communal divide being encouraged, unfortunately, by the mainstream religious dispensations, Bootan Mandi has become a living example of communal harmony – besides doing business with all as explained in the preceding lines, Bootan Mandi can boast of to be a really secular pocket of Jalandhar with a composite living, as the 'Begumpura' of Guru Ravidass's vision with Guru Ravidass Dham flanked by a Muslim Mosque at the back, the Church and the Buddha

imosity and the social fabric is woven around the teachings and mission of Guru Ravidass and Babasaheb Ambedkar.

I conclude this brief note as a curtain raiser to the forthcoming plans for the centenary celebrations of Bootan Mandi, the informal capital of dalits of Punjab with a quote of Allama Iqbal:

**Naya Shivala**

aa ghairiyat ke parde ik baar phir  
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bichh᳚oñ ko phir milā deñ naqsh-e-  
duī miTā deñ  
suunī pa᳚ī huī hai muddat se dil kī  
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deñ  
duniyā ke tīrathoñ se āñchā ho apnā

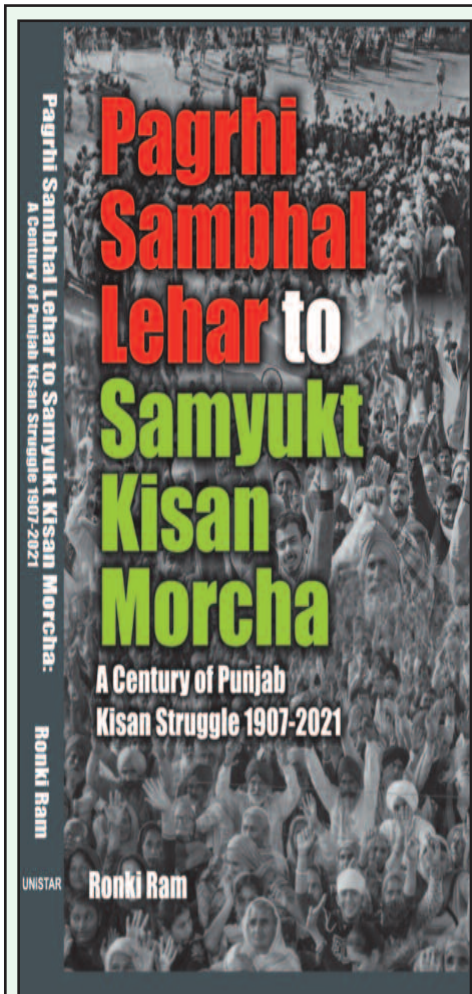


I felt like writing again as a proud BootanMandian on the subject as it was mentioned by one of the speakers, Sat Paul Mahey, at the recent Gurpleb Ravidass function at Bootan Mandi on February 16 that it was being planned to observe the century of Bootan Mandi in 2025 in a befitting manner. It is a welcome

Mandi were open minded and liberal people and invited and encouraged non-chamars of upper castes of both Sikhs and Hindus and also of Muslims and Christians to come and join them in the lucrative leather business. It will not be out of place to mention that these perceived 'outsiders' now own the main stream of business and

Vihar in close vicinity on one side and Gurudawara Santpura on the other. Traditionally, the residents were following only two political streams – RPI and later BSP and the Congress Party but the passage of time it has turned to be a real all embracing place with joining hands with the Akali Dal, BJP and AAP. There is no political an-

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saare puja᳚riyoñ ko mai piit kī pīla deñ  
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ਕਹਿ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਆਸ ਲਗਿ ਜੀਵਉ ਚਿਰ ਭਇਓ ਦਰਸਨ ਦੇਖੇ ॥

# ਧੰਨ ਧੰਨ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਟੈਂਪਲ ਰਿਓ ਲਿੰਡਾ (ਸੈਕਰਾਮੈਂਟੋ)



## ਧੰਨ ਧੰਨ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਮਹਾਰਾਜ ਦੇ 645ਵੇਂ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ ਪੁਰਬ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਰਪਿਤ 22ਵਾਂ ਮਹਾਨ ਨਗਰ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਐਤਵਾਰ 13 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਰਿਓ ਲਿੰਡਾ ਕੈਲੀਫੋਰਨੀਆ ਵਿਖੇ

ਪ੍ਰਬੰਧਕ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਨਿਮਰਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਸਤਿਕਾਰ ਸਹਿਤ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਮਹਾਰਾਜ ਦੇ 645ਵੇਂ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ ਪੁਰਬ ਨੂੰ ਸਮਰਪਿਤ 22ਵਾਂ ਮਹਾਨ ਨਗਰ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਦਿਨ ਐਤਵਾਰ 13 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਸਮੂਹ ਸੰਗਤਾਂ ਦੇ ਸਹਿਯੋਗ ਨਾਲ ਸਵੇਰੇ 11 ਵਜੇ ਤੋਂ ਸ਼ਾਮ 5 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ ਬਹੁਤ ਹੀ ਪਿਆਰ ਅਤੇ ਸ਼ਰਧਾ ਨਾਲ ਸਜਾਇਆ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ।

ਇਸ ਸ਼ੁੱਭ ਮੌਕੇ ਆਪ ਸਭਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਪਰਿਵਾਰਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਰਿਸ਼ਤੇਦਾਰਾਂ ਸਮੇਤ ਦਰਸਨ ਦੇਣ ਦੀ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

### ਸਟੇਜ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਬਲਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਲੋਂ ਸਮਾਗਮਾਂ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਇਸ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਰ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ

- \* ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਖੰਡ ਪਾਠ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਦੇ ਪਾਠ ਸਮੂਹ ਸੰਗਤਾਂ ਵਲੋਂ ਸ਼ੁੱਕਰਵਾਰ 11 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਸਵੇਰੇ 8 ਵਜੇ ਆਰੰਭ ਹੋਣਗੇ ਸ਼ੁੱਕਰਵਾਰ 11 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਸ਼ਾਮ 6 ਵਜੇ ਤੋਂ 10 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਦੀਵਾਨ ਸਜਾਏ ਜਾਣਗੇ।
- \* ਸ਼ਨੀਵਾਰ 12 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਕੀਰਤਨ ਦੀਵਾਨ ਬਾਅਦ ਦੁਪਹਿਰ 2 ਵਜੇ ਤੋਂ ਆਰੰਭ ਹੋ ਕੇ ਸ਼ਾਮ 11 ਵਜੇ ਤੱਕ ਚੱਲਣਗੇ। ਰੱਖੇ ਹੋਏ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਖੰਡ ਪਾਠ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਦੇ ਭੋਗ ਐਤਵਾਰ 13 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਸਵੇਰੇ 8:00 ਵਜੇ ਪਏ ਜਾਣਗੇ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਦੀਵਾਨ ਸਜਾਏ ਜਾਣਗੇ।
- \* ਐਤਵਾਰ 13 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਸਵੇਰੇ 11 ਵਜੇ 22ਵਾਂ ਮਹਾਨ ਨਗਰ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਗ੍ਰੰਥ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਛਤਰ ਛਾਇਆ ਹੇਠ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਜ ਪਿਆਰਿਆਂ ਦੀ ਅਗਵਾਈ ਵਿੱਚ ਚਾਲੇ ਪਾਵੇਗਾ।
- \* ਤਿੰਨੇ ਦਿਨ 11, 12 ਅਤੇ 13 ਮਾਰਚ ਨੂੰ ਪੰਥ ਪ੍ਰਸਿੱਧ ਰਾਗੀ ਢਾਡੀ ਜਥੇ ਸੰਗਤਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਅਤੇ ਢਾਡੀ ਵਾਰਾਂ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਕਰਨਗੇ।

### ਪਹੁੰਚ ਰਹੇ ਰਾਗੀ ਜਥੇ

ਪਹੁੰਚ ਰਹੇ ਰਾਗੀ ਜਥੇ ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਵਿਸ਼ੇਸ਼ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਰਵਿਦਾਸ ਟੈਂਪਲ ਰਿਓ ਲਿੰਡਾ ਗੁਰੂਘਰ ਦਾ ਹਜ਼ੂਰੀ ਰਾਗੀ ਜਥਾ ਜਿਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਭਾਈ ਗੁਰਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ (ਹੈਡ ਗ੍ਰੰਥੀ), ਭਾਈ ਅਮਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਭਾਈ ਚਰਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਭਾਈ ਮਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਭਾਈ ਵਿਕ੍ਰਮਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਾਰੰਗ, ਕਾਕਾ ਗੁਰਕੀਰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਾਰੰਗ (ਗੁਰੂਘਰ ਦਾ ਹਜ਼ੂਰੀ ਰਾਗੀ ਜਥਾ) ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਨਾਲ ਹੋਰ ਜਥੇ ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਭਾਈ ਆਤਮਜੋਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਯੂਥਾ ਸਿਟੀ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਾ ਕੀਰਤਨੀ ਜਥਾ, ਭਾਈ ਮਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਫਿਲੌਰ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਾ ਕੀਰਤਨੀ ਜਥਾ, ਭਾਈ ਅਮ੍ਰਿਤਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੰਗਰੂਰ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਾ ਕੀਰਤਨੀ ਜਥਾ, ਭਾਈ ਜਸਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਾਰੰਗ ਜਲੰਧਰ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਾ ਕੀਰਤਨੀ ਜਥਾ, ਭਾਈ ਜਗਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਯੋਗੀ ਟਾਂਡੇ ਵਾਲੇ ਦਾ ਕੀਰਤਨੀ ਜਥਾ, ਭਾਈ ਸੁਖਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਗਰੇਵਾਲ ਦਾ ਢਾਡੀ ਜਥਾ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਅਨੇਕਾਂ ਜਥੇ ਸੰਗਤਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਕੀਰਤਨ ਨਾਲ ਨਿਹਾਲ ਕਰਨਗੇ।

### ਸ੍ਰੀ ਨਿਸ਼ਾਨ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਸੇਵਾ

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਨਿਸ਼ਾਨ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਸੇਵਾ ਸ਼ਨੀਵਾਰ 12 ਮਾਰਚ 2022 ਬਾਅਦ ਦੁਪਹਿਰ 3:00 ਵਜੇ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ ਇਹ ਸੇਵਾ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਪਿਰਥੀ ਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ, ਬੀਬੀ ਜਸਵੰਤ ਕੌਰ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰਦੀਪ ਸੇਪਲਾ, ਬੀਬੀ ਮਹਿੰਦੇ ਸੇਪਲਾ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸਤਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੁੱਗਲ, ਬੀਬੀ ਪ੍ਰਵੀਨਾਂ ਦੁੱਗਲ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਬਲਿਹਾਰ ਢੰਡਾ, ਬੀਬੀ ਬਲਵੀਰ ਕੌਰ ਢੰਡਾ ਅਤੇ ਸਮੂਹ ਸਾਧਸੰਗਤਿ ਜੀਓ ਵਲੋਂ ਹੋਵੇਗੀ।

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