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United States of America: A Vision of Freedom and Dream of Prosperity



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4th of July embodies a vision of freedom and dream of prosperity. Every person in the world irrespective of her/his religion, class, creed and faith aspires to make the USA his home! S/he feels embolden while getting associated with this great nation - an abode of liberty, equality fraternity - of opportunities and dignity. The USA instills faith and courage to come forward to live and let live with love and peace with one- self and the rest of the humanities. Since the end of World War II, it has not looked back to reconstruct peaceful order in the world and help attain freedom of thought, liberty and equality everywhere on the globe. Name any continent, region or a country where the USA has not left its mark of encouragement and initiatives for realizing ones dream and aspirations. One of the largest and oldest democratic countries in the world, the USA has always shown its greatest interest in allowing free flow of ideas and letting people live the way they want to be. It has remained first in all fields of human activities, be it science, technology, art, and sports. What led it to achieve all this is perhaps the freedom of thought and action guaranteed by its constitution and effective governance system. www.ambedkartimes.com takes a lot of pride on this auspicious day of freedom and independence.

Pittsburg Gurughar celebrations a glamorous success



Sri Guru Ravidass Sabha, Pittsburg (CA) celebrated its 34th Anniversary at its current location on June 30th, 2019 with a devoted spirit of dedication and enthusiasm. The event which was attended by about five hundred devotees turned out to be a splendid success. Recitation of three days Akhand Path Sewa hosted by Gurughar ending with Bhog ceremony on June 30, 2019 (Sunday) sanctified this historic celebration. Nishan Sahib Ceremony was performed on Saturday, June 29th, 2019.

Mr. Dilbagh Singh, General Secretary of Gurughar opened the proceedings of the event and shared his valuable thoughts with Sangat throwing light on the importance of this celebration.

Mr. O.P. Balley, one of the senior founding members, well versed with the history of this first Guru Ravidass temple established in North America, elaborated the details and the circumstances leading to this historic endeavor and accomplishment. He paid glowing tributes to the pioneer members, especially applauding the services of those, mostly being immigrants from Fiji Islands, who are unfortunately no more with us. He also appreciated the devoted efforts of everyone associated with this selfless service of Gurughar and the Sangat at large that is always the pillar of strength of

any public organization established for the promotion and welfare of the community.

Guru Ghar Jatha with Bhai Gurnam Singh and Bhai Om Pal Singh followed by a renowned Dhadi Jatha led by Bhai Kuljit Singh Dilwar, belonging to the legendary fame of late Bhai Daya Singh Dilwar, shared their talents with the Sangat. Another prominent Kirtani Jatha of Bhai Bhupinder Singh of Darbar Sahib also adorned the event with their performance.

Bibi Kamaljit Kaur Bhatia a devoted Sewadar also recited a Shabad from Gurbani with her melodious voice.

Management Committee of Gurughar also appreciates the services of Mr. Prem Kumar Chumber, Chief Editor, Ambedkar Times and Desh Doaba for providing live-coverage of the event on the Face Book.

Mr. Ramesh Suman, Chairman, Mr. Kashmiri Bhatia. President thanked the Sangat for the participation and making this important occasion a huge success.

SEWADAR

O.P. Balley

Founder Member

Sri Guru Ravidass Sabha Pittsburg (CA)



Remembering Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia: The Founder of Ad Dharm Movement of Punjab

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Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia Ji left this terrestrial world on April 22, 1980. He was one of the few pioneers of Dalit struggle who took head on against the oppressive caste system and never look behind once they took the first step towards Dalit liberation and its empowerment. He was working for his livelihood and struggling for the liberation of his motherland as a part of the Gadhar movement in US at the same time when Babasaheb Dr B.R Ambedkar was studying for higher qualifications on a fellowship from Maharaja of Baroda and preparing himself for a larger struggle against the system of caste and untouchability back home in his country.

When Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia returned to his home town in

1925 he saw that his social setup did not change at all and it was staring into his eyes with poisonous fangs of caste-based oppression. It was the time that the Adi movements were building up in South India and in some parts of North of the country too. By that time Babasaheb Dr. B.R Ambedkar had also initiated himself into preparing himself for his lifelong struggle for the annihilation of caste from the Indian society.

In Punjab, Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia took his Ad Dharm movement to the door steps of his people and built a formidable grassroots Dalit movement



leading to social consciousness among the so-called lowest of the low castes people of the hierarchical society. A time came when Babu Mangu Ram Ji Mugowalia extended his full support to the struggle of Babasaheb Dr B.R Ambedkar Ji during his tirade against M.K. Gandhi's opposition to the demand of Communal Award for the Scheduled Castes during London Round Table Conferences and later on after the grant of the his fast unto death by against it. Dr Ambedkar and Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia remained thoroughly involved in their respective struggles for Dalit emancipation and empowerment till their last breath

and let behind them a rich legacy of Dalit consciousness and struggle. Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia lived almost two and a half decades more after the passing away of Babasaheb Dr B.R Ambedkar Ji on December 6, 1956. He came forward once again to re-lead the Ad Dharm movement started by his namesake Mr. Mangu Ram Jaspal in the 1970s. He gave his people their forgotten heroes, Saints, cultural heritage and separate religion (Ad Dharm). Under his able leadership the SCs of Punjab contested twice the Provincial elections before Independence and won almost all the reserved 8 seats for the SCs. "Ambedkar Times" and "Desh Doaba" forums pay floral tribute to Babu Mangu Ram Mugowalia Ji and remember him deeply on this very day of his mortal journey to the unknown world thereafter!!

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ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ ਮੁਬਾਰਕ

ਅਦਾਰਾ 'ਦੇਸ਼ ਦੁਆਬਾ' ਦੇ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਤੋਂ ਦੁਆਬਾ ਰੀਜਨ ਦੇ ਵਿਸ਼ੇਸ਼ ਪ੍ਰਤੀਨਿਧੀ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਰੇਸ਼ਮ ਕਰਨਾਣਵੀ ਅਤੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਸੁਪਤਨੀ ਸ਼੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਆਸ਼ਾ ਰਾਣੀ ਦੇ ਸਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਸ਼ਮਾਨ ਲਾਖਾ ਦੇ ਦੂਜੇ ਜਨਮ ਦਿਨ (4 ਜੁਲਾਈ) 'ਤੇ ਅਦਾਰਾ 'ਦੇਸ਼ ਦੁਆਬਾ' ਵੱਲੋਂ ਲੱਖ-ਲੱਖ ਮੁਬਾਰਕਾਂ।



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