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Guru nanak jayanti

Guru nanak dev ji gurupurab ,also known as guru nanak's Prakash utsav and guru nanak dev ji.

It celebrates the birth of the first sikh guru ,guru nanak.

One of the most celebrated sikh gurus and the founder of Sikhism, guru nanak dev is highly revered by the sikh community.

This is one of the most sacred festivals in Sikhism.

The festivities in the sikh religion revolve around the anniversaries of the 10 sikh gurus.

Their birthdays ,known as gurupurab ,are occasions for celebration and prayer among the Sikhs.



Harmandir sahib complex,amritsar

History

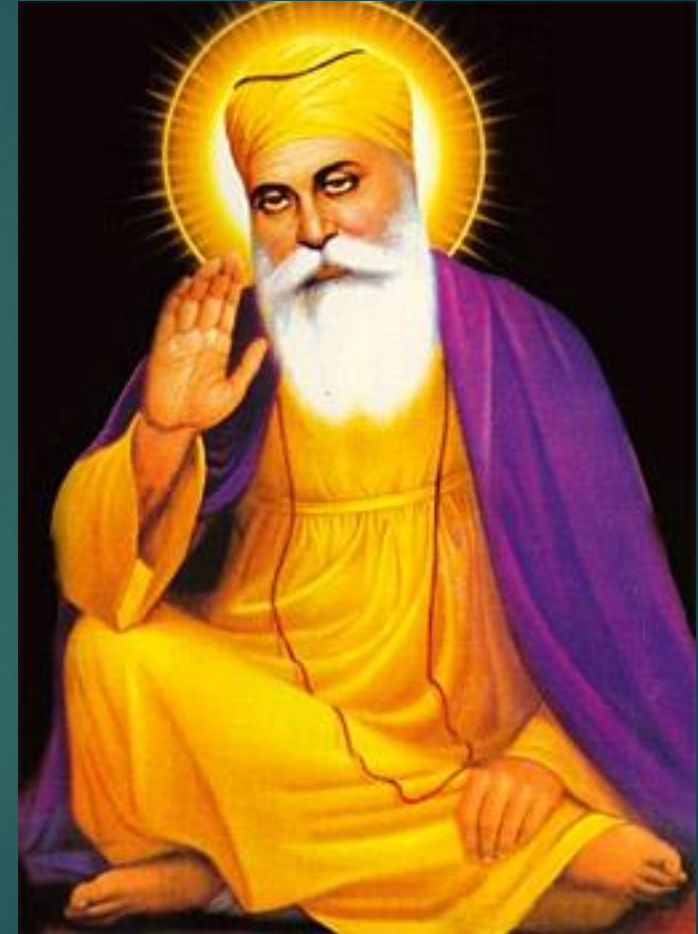
The festival is celebrated on the day of kartik Purnima ,which is the fifteenth lunar day in the month of kartik as per the hindu calender , and usually falls in the hindu calender ,usually falls in the manth of October-November as per the Gregorian calender.

This year will mark the 550th birth anniversary of guru nanak dev ji.

On 15th April,1469 ,guru nanak dev ji was born at rai bhoi ki talwandi,near Lahore ,Pakistan.

Guru nanak dev ji is regarded as spiritual teacher who founded the Sikhism in the 15th century .

He started writing the guru granth sahib and wrote 974 hymns in it.



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Celebrations

Celebrations start two days prior to the day of guru nanak Jayanti in the gurudwaras.

A 48 hour non-stop recitation of the guru granth sahib, called akhand path ,is held.

A day before guru nanak devji's birthday a procession called nagarkirtan is organized.

The procession is led by five men , referred to as the" panj pyare" , holding the sikh triangular flag , Nishan Sahib.

The holy guru grant sahib is placed in a palanquin during the procession .

People sing hymns in groups and play traditional musical instruments and also display their martial art skills.



Significance

The celebration of guru nanak dev begins 15 days before his birth anniversary .

People start doing pheris ,15 days before the celebration .

On the main day of festival arrives ,the celebrations begin as early as 3am.

After the morning prayers,langars or grand feasts are organized for everyone.



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Conclusion

Guru nanak Jayanti is one of the most crucial festivals in india ,as well as all over the world .

It is observed to memorize the teachings of guru nanak dev.

Guru nanak Jayanti is observed with the great excitement by the Sikhs.

People decorate their homes and business shops at this festival .

Devotes celebrate this day by decorating the gurdwaras.

Also they serve food to everyone who visits the gurudwaras.

Thank you...