

GURU HARGOBIND JI

1. Name the sixth Guru of the Sikhs?

Guru Hargobind ji,

2. What was the life span of Guru Hargobind Ji's, and his Gurgadi years?

Birth – 6/19/1595 Guru ki Vadali, Amritsar, Punjab.

Jotijot – 3/3/1644 (he was 49yrs old) Kiratpur, Rupnagar, Punjab

Guruship – 1606 to 1644

3. Guru Hargobind Ji's Family

Father: Guru Arjan Dev Ji

Mother: Mata Ganga

Wife: Mata Nanki, Mata Mahadevi, Mata

Damodri

First Son: Baba Gurditta

Second Son: Baba Suraj Mal

Third Son: Baba Ani Raj

Fourth Son: Baba Atal Raj

Fifth Son: Guru Teg Bahadur Ji

Daughter: Bibi Veero

4. What was Guru Hargobind Ji's, notable contribution to Sikhi?

Guru Ji militarised the Sikh movement – Carried 2 swords of Miri (Secular Power) and Piri (Spiritual Power). Guru Hargobind stood for the people oppressed by the Mughals. In his struggle, he fought six battles with the Mughals. Guruji constructed the Akal Takht (God's throne) in front of Harmandir Sahib in 1606. Guru Ji did not contribute any Shabads towards Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji.

5. Why did Guru Hargobind Ji build the Akaal Takht directly across from Harmandir Sahib?

To represent the unity of spiritual and secular affairs. Akaal Takht (Miri) was complimentary to Harmandir Sahib (Piri).

6. Relate one incident from Guru Hargobind Ji's life.

Jehangir held Guruji in the fort of Gwalior for one year, when released, Guru Sahib met Jahangir immediately, he insisted upon Jahangir for the release of other fifty-two Hindu Princes on his personal surety (These Princes were said to be the rebellious ones). The request was obliged and all the prisoners were released in 1612. Then the title of "Bandi Chhor Baba" was given to Guru Sahib and is still remembered by this name. Guru Sahib reached Amritsar on the occasion of Diwali. This was a big occasion for the Sikhs. It is said that Baba Budha Ji littered the earthen lamps throughout the Amritsar city. The Sikhs celebrated this occasion enthusiastically. From this day the Sikh Nation began to celebrate "Bandi Chhor Diwas ". (Source - SGPC)

7. Which Gurdawara is notably related to Guru Hargobind Ji?

Gurudwara Plah Sahib where the first war of Sikhs started.

8. Name the reigning Mughal during Guru Hargobind ji's Guruship period?

Emperor Jahangir and Shah Jahan.

9. What were some of the inventions during Guru Hargobind ji's time?

The first refracting telescope was invented by [Hans Lippershey](#). Galileo discovered the rings of Saturn.

10. Who did he choose as his successor to Gurgadi and Why?

He chose Guru Har Rai ji as his successor because he also possessed qualities of a warrior.