

GURU HAR RAI JI

1. Name the seventh Guru of the Sikhs?

Guru Har Rai ji (Guru Hargobind Ji's grand son)

2. What was the life span of Guru Har Rai Ji, and his Gurgadi years?

Birth – 01/16/1630 at Kiratpur (presently Ropar district in Punjab)

Jotijot – 10/06/1661 in Delhi

Guruship – 03/1644 to 03/30/1661 (at age of 14 years for 17 years)

3. Guru Har Rai Ji's Family

Father: Baba Gurditta

Mother: Mata Nihal Kaur Ji

Brother: Bhai Dhira Mal

Grand Father: Guru Hargobind Ji (Sixth Guru)

Wife: Sulakkhani Ji

First Son: Sri Ram Rai Ji

Second Son: Sri Harkrishan Saheb Ji (Eight Guru-Guru Harkrishan Ji)

4. What was Guru Har Rai ji, notable contribution to Sikhi and Public?

Guru Har Rai Ji established 3 important preaching missions called "Bakshish" for the spread of Guru Nanak's teachings. Guru Saheb also established a hospital at Kiratpur where medicines and treatment were free for everyone. There, he also maintained a zoo.

5. Relate one incident from Guru Har Rai's life.

Once Dara Shikoh, the eldest son of Shah Jahan fell seriously ill by some unknown disease. The best physicians available in the country and abroad were consulted, but there was no improvement. At last the emperor made a humble request to Guru Sahib for the treatment of his son. Guru Sahib accepting the request, handed over some rare and suitable medicines to the messenger of the emperor. The life of Dara Shikoh was saved from the cruel jaws of death. The emperor, whole heartily thanked and wanted to grant some "Jagir", but Guru Sahib never accepted.

6. Which Gurdawara is notably related to Guru Har Rai Ji?

Gurudwara Patalpuri (situated at Guru Saheb's cremation place).

7. How did Guru Har Rai Ji spend his life?

Guru Har Rai spent his life at his birthplace of Kiratpur. Guru Har Rai would spend the mornings and evenings listening to devotional music and giving lectures on the writings of the Gurus. The Guru would also eat simple food which was earned by the labor of his own hands.

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

Shahjahan and Aurangzeb

9. What was the life of the people of North America during Guru Har Rai ji's time?

Some of the English colonies namely Maryland and Delaware were founded during Guru Saheb's period. The first Jews, expelled from Northern Brazil by the Portuguese arrived in North America.

10. Who did he choose as his successor to GurGadi?

Guru Harkrishan Ji. Guru Harkrishan Ji displayed great spiritual knowledge even at a very tender age. Guru Har Rai Ji was very disappointed by his older son, Ram Rai who had intentionally changed Guru Nanak's words to gain Emperor Aurangzeb's friendship.