

GURU TEGHBAHADAR SAHIB

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SIKHRI

## 2021 Annual Report

SIDAK



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Gurmat & Pañjābī  
Education Resource

THE  
Guru Granth Sahib  
PROJECT

# A Message



Kulvir Singh



Gunvir Singh

Vahiguru ji ka Khalsa, Vahiguru ji ki Fatih!

As the pandemic continued to impact so many aspects of our lives, our donor community reaffirmed its commitment to spreading Guru's Wisdom by supporting Sikh Research Institute (SikhRI). Thanks to our donors, SikhRI finished the year, having raised \$1.6 million.

With your support, we continued to provide Gurmat based educational resources, held a virtual conference commemorating the 400th Prakash Purab (Illumination Day) of Guru Teghbahadar Sahib, and launched a new podcast, *Sojhi: A Kid's Cast* - connecting kids with sakhis and so much more. We are extremely grateful to each of our donors for stepping forward and making a difference.

*The Guru Granth Sahib Project* is unlocking new connections to Sikhi for anyone who wants to grasp the depth and full context of the Guru Granth Sahib. Innovation and depth are at the heart of the work we do every day. We are inspired to keep moving forward by our enduring hope for a brighter future and a stronger connection to Guru's Wisdom.

Your generosity has enabled us to create and deliver insightful Gurmat content consistently. Your commitment and dedication to Sikhi education inspire us to continue our work. We assure you that SikhRI is committed to the Sikh paradigm based on IkOankar and Nam and to sharing these Sikhi principles and values in all our offerings.

We are also grateful to our Board members, Board sub-committees, volunteers, and staff for their tireless work. Special thanks to Jaswinder Singh Chadha, Chair of the Sikh Research Institute Board of Directors, who served on our Board as a Chair from April 2017 to August 2021.

Once again, please accept our heartfelt thanks for your support and trust. We are forever grateful.

Guru Rakha!

*Kulvir Singh, Board Chair  
Gunvir Singh, Executive Director*

**The Sikh Research Institute's (SikhRI) mission is to provide educational resources to Sikhs to lead a Guru-inspired life. SikhRI exists to spread the fragrance of Sikhi through Gurbani-based education to anyone willing to learn.**



In January 2021, SikhRI launched its new podcast, [Sojhi: Kid's Cast](#) – in English and Panjabi on the life and travels of Guru Nanak Sahib. These well-loved stories will help initiate Sikh children into the Guru's life and teachings in a non-judgmental way.

Did you know that Sojhi means insight? Our education resources for K-12 are developed and reviewed extensively by educators, child development specialists, experts, and subject matter scholars. Our education resources are widely used in Gurmat and Panjabi schools across North America, Europe, and Asia. SikhRI is committed to enriching young minds and bringing them closer to IkOankar.

Explore now: [SikhRI.org/Sojhi](https://SikhRI.org/Sojhi)

For the critical thinker, we released our 7th State of the Panth report: [Miri-Piri: The Spiritual-Political Sikh Doctrine](#). The report aims to understand and explore how the Miri-Piri doctrine influences the political and spiritual behavior of Sikhs worldwide.

Each State of the Panth report analyzes ideas from a Gurmat (or Guru's Way) perspective, as inferred from Bani (wisdom), Tavarikh (history), and Rahit (lifestyle).

The report further outlines recommendations for individual Sikhs and Sikh institutions – an opportunity for reflection and inspiring change. Recommendations are provided as a best practices approach to strengthening the bonds within the community.

Learn more: [SikhRI.org/SOTP](https://SikhRI.org/SOTP)



Although the pandemic didn't allow an in-person Sidak, we still managed to offer 2 virtual Sidak Leadership programs.

The five-day leadership event in July focussed on [Sidh Gosti: Learning through Dialogue](#), the composition of Guru Nanak Sahib. The participants enhanced their relationship with IkOankar and learned how to engage in critical conversations through the Gurmat (Guru's Way) lens.



[Guru in Sikhi: Up Close & Personal](#), a four-hour event, was held in May. The event presented the multifaceted role the Guru plays in a Sikh's personal and panthak (collective life). An interactive session engaged participants with Sabad to form their emotional connection with the Guru.

To learn more about Sidak: [SikhRI.org/Sidak](https://SikhRI.org/Sidak)

The Guru Granth Sahib Project was envisioned as a curative-collaborative effort three years ago. It is the first attempt in history to include the female perspective in developing an understanding of the Sabad (Wisdom).

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*When I opened to see the ancestral treasure, then my mind was filled with enrichment.*

-Guru Granth Sahib 185

In commemoration of the 400th anniversary year of Guru Teghbahadar Sahib, we are on track to release 100% of Guru's compositions (April 2021 - April 2022).

In 2021, 118 Sabad transcreations & commentaries were released. The content production targets were exceeded.

Explore the depth of the Guru Granth Sahib today: [ProjectGuruGranthSahib.io](https://ProjectGuruGranthSahib.io)



## Revenue

Contributions	\$1,501,519
Government Contributions	\$0
Program Receipts	\$3,798
Product Receipts	\$4,423
Interests & Investments	<u>\$158,081</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$1,667,821</b>

## Program Expenses

Innovation	\$324,389
Community	\$91,504
Content	\$194,362
Publications	<u>\$19,880</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$630,135</b>

## Overhead

Fundraising	\$90,578
Administration	<u>\$165,738</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$256,316</b>

## Total Expenses \$886,451

Net Assets, Begin 2021	\$1,841,830
2021 Change in Net Assets	\$782,778
2020 Foreign Currency Translation	\$1,349
<b>NET ASSETS, END 2021</b>	<b>\$2,624,608</b>

## Board of Directors

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## In 2021 Together We Accomplished

Sabad Annotations

118

Today in Sikh History

102

Sikh Thoughts

54

Videos

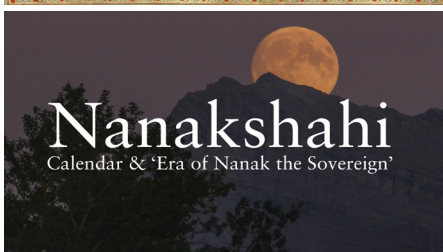
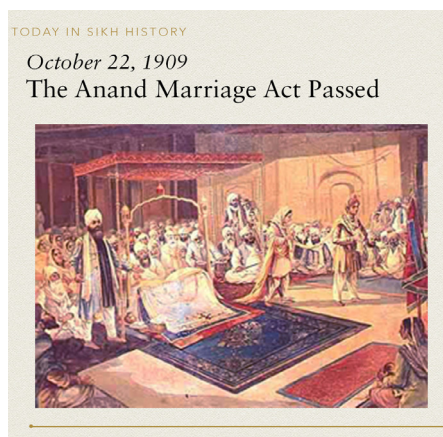
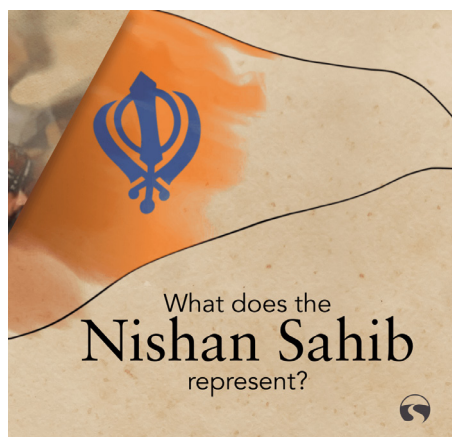
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Podcasts

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Articles

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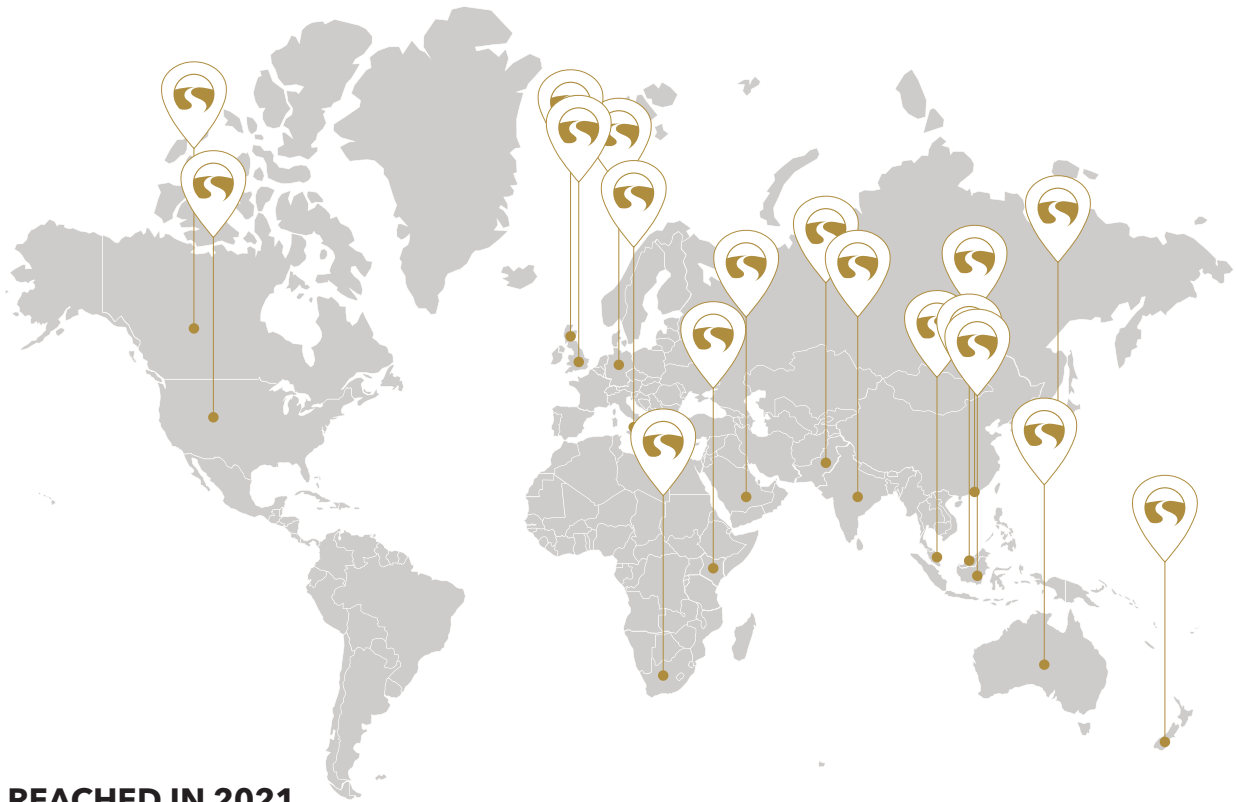
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# Milestones in 2021

- Celebrated the 400th Prakash Purab of Guru Teghbahadar Sahib through an online conference.
- Released 118 Sabad transcreations & commentaries on GuruGranthSahib.io for deeper understanding & connection.
- Conducted 2 Sidak Leadership online programs for young adults.
- Launched a new podcast - Sojhi: A Kid's Cast - connecting kids with *sakhis*.
- 570,000+ Video views to provoke thinking & exploration.
- 158,000+ Website pages explored.
- 51,900+ Podcast downloads.
- 7,000+ Webinar engagement for open dialogue.

## *SikhRI Worldwide*



### PEOPLE REACHED IN 2021

Number of Events

40

Social Media

4,419,000+

Through Events

6,000+

Website

158,200+



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