



## Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji's Martyrdom Day

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The President of India on the eve of [Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji's Martyrdom Day \(24th November\)](#), paid homage to the [Sikh](#) Guru, emphasizing his sacrifice for humanity and religious freedom.

- **Early Life:** Born in Amritsar in 1621, Guru Tegh Bahadur was initially known as **Tyag Mal** for his ascetic nature. Trained in religious philosophy and martial skills, he earned the **title "Tegh Bahadur" for his valor in battle.**
- **Contributions as a Guru:** Ascended as the **9th Sikh Guru in 1664**, succeeding **Guru Har Krishan**. Established **Anandpur Sahib in 1665** and contributed over 700 hymns to the **Guru Granth Sahib**, focusing on equality, justice, and devotion.
- **Advocate of Religious Freedom:** Opposed forced conversions during **Aurangzeb's** reign and encouraged **fearlessness (nirbhau) and harmony (nirvair)** among his followers.
- **Martyrdom:** November 24 is observed as **Shaheedi Divas in honor of Guru Tegh Bahadur**, who was executed by Aurangzeb in 1675 for defending **Kashmiri Pandits** and **resisting forced conversions to Islam**. His companions, **Bhai Mati Das, Bhai Sati Das, and Bhai Dyala, were also martyred.**
  - Gurdwara Sis Ganj Sahib in Delhi's Chandni Chowk marks the site of his execution.

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### Ten Gurus of Sikh Religion

<b>Guru Nanak Dev</b> (1469-1539)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He was the first guru of Sikh and the founder of <b>Sikh religion</b>.</li> <li>▪ He started the <b>GURU KA LANGAR</b>.</li> <li>▪ He was the <b>contemporary of Babur</b>.</li> <li>▪ <b>Kartarpur corridor</b> was commemorated on the <b>550<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Angad</b> (1504-1552)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He invented the new script called <b>Guru-Mukhi</b> and popularized and expanded the system of Guru ka Langar.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Amar Das</b> (1479-1574)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He introduced the ceremony of the <b>Anand Karaj Marriage</b>.</li> <li>▪ He <b>abolished the custom of Sati and Purdah system</b> among the Sikhs.</li> <li>▪ He was a <b>contemporary of Akbar</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Ram Das</b> (1534-1581)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He <b>founded Amritsar</b> in 1577 on the land granted by Akbar.</li> <li>▪ He <b>started the construction of Golden Temple/Swarna mandir</b> at Amritsar.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Arjun Dev</b> (1563-1606)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He <b>composed the Adi Granth</b> in 1604.</li> <li>▪ He led to the <b>completion of construction of Golden temple</b>.</li> <li>▪ He was acclaimed as <b>Shaheeden-de-Sartaj</b>.</li> <li>▪ He was <b>executed by Jahangir</b> on charges of helping prince Khusrau.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Hargobind</b> (1594-1644)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He led to the transformation of the Sikh Community into a Military community. He is known as "<b>Soldier Saint</b>".</li> <li>▪ He led to the establishment of <b>Akal Takht</b> and fortified the Amritsar City.</li> <li>▪ He <b>waged wars against Jahangir and Shah Jahan</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Har Rai</b> (1630-1661)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He was a man of peace thus devoted most of his life in maintaining peace with Aurangzeb and doing missionary work.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Har Krishan</b> (1656-1664)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He was the youngest guru of all and was given the title of Guru at a very early age of 5.</li> <li>▪ He was summoned by Aurangzeb against anti-islamic blasphemy.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Teg Bahadur</b> (1621-1675)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He <b>founded Anandpur Sahib</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>Guru Gobind Singh</b> (1666-1708)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ He founded a warrior community known as <b>Khalsa in 1699</b>.</li> <li>▪ He introduced a new rite "Pahul".</li> <li>▪ He joined Bahadur Shah's as a noble.</li> <li>▪ He was the last Sikh Guru in human form and he passed the Guruship of Sikhs to the Guru Granth Sahib.</li> </ul>



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