

SIKH
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2024 Annual Report

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A Message

Vahiguru ji ka Khalsa, Vahiguru ji ki Fatih!



Reflecting on the past year, I am grateful for our journey together. The Sikh Research Institute (SikhRI) remains committed to serving and supporting individuals as they deepen their connection with the Guru Granth Sahib and embrace ੴ, IkOankar—one pervasive and creation Force, the 1. Through research, education, and engagement, we strive to make the Wisdom more accessible, providing resources that empower Sikhs to lead a Guru-inspired life.

With the unwavering support of our community, 2024 was a year of meaningful impact and expansion. This annual report highlights key milestones: advancing educational initiatives, deepening community engagement, and broadening our global reach. A significant focus was the 40th commemoration of the 1984 Ghallughara, honored through in-depth research, podcasts, publications, and videos, ensuring that the Sikh narrative continues to be shared authentically.

In 2024, SikhRI expanded its presence by establishing SikhRI UK and a strategic partnership with the Nam-Sabad Foundation in India. These initiatives strengthen our ability to serve diverse Sikh communities, offering localized resources and programming tailored to regional needs and expanding the donor base.

We also hosted more than 40 events globally, fostering spaces for dialogue, learning, and connection. These initiatives strengthened relationships within local communities and reaffirmed our commitment to expanding access to Sikhi education globally.

The dedication and expertise of our staff, volunteers, and Board members drive SikhRI's ongoing progress. Whether through leadership, scholarship, or community support, each contribution is vital in advancing our mission.

As you review this report, I hope you feel fulfilled by our collective impact. Your ongoing support is instrumental in developing Gurmat-based educational resources, thought-provoking presentations, and initiatives that deepen Sikhi engagement globally.

Thank you for your partnership and trust. Together, we will continue to illuminate, connect, and inspire.

Warm regards,
Kulvir Singh Gill, Board Chair

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Values

Service (*Seva*)

Demonstrating an attitude of love and respect by nurturing physical, mental, and spiritual endurance.

Integrity (*Neki*)

Keeping our word, transparency in all spheres, and doing what is right even when no one is looking.

Excellence (*Param*)

Being innovative, having a vision, giving 100%, and demonstrating competence by striving for excellence.

Vision

To make the wisdom of the Guru Granth Sahib accessible to the globe.

Mission

To provide educational resources to Sikhs to lead a Guru-inspired life.

Bridging Generations: 2024 Key Offerings

Resilient Roots: A Sikh Family's Journey

A book for young adults that bridges generations, exploring resilience and unity through the lens of pivotal events like the Partition of India and the 1984 Sikh genocide.

Getting to Know 1984

A comprehensive high school resource introducing students to June and November 1984 events, paired with advanced learning opportunities to explore Sikh resilience and the lessons they offer for today.

Getting to Know Rani Jind Kaur

A middle and high school resource highlighting the leadership and legacy of Rani Jind Kaur, inspiring a deeper understanding of Sikh history.

Betrayals & Broken Promises

Live instructor-led course for adults exploring Sikh-India relations from 1947 to 1984, leading to the attack on the Sri Harimandar Sahib complex.

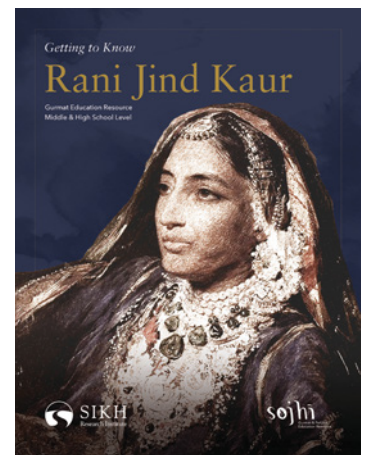
The 1984 Attack on Sikhi

Live instructor-led course for adults analyzing the Ghallugharas 1984, their aftermath, and ongoing impact.

State of the Panth: Caste & Race

A thought-provoking report for institutions examining casteism and racism through Gurmat, history, and lived experiences.

We remain committed to providing transformative Gurmat-based education. *Thank you for your continued support.*





Sidak Leadership Program

The 22nd annual Sidak program brought together 56 participants from six nations for a two-week immersive learning experience in Miracle Valley, British Columbia. The program offered three tracks:

- *Sikhi 101*: Introduction to Sikh History & Theology
- *Sikhi 201*: Religion & Revolution
- *Gurbani 101*: Introduction to Guru Granth Sahib

"The program has really opened up my eyes to Sikh thought and literature that I would have otherwise been unaware of. I can't imagine getting this sort of education anywhere else."

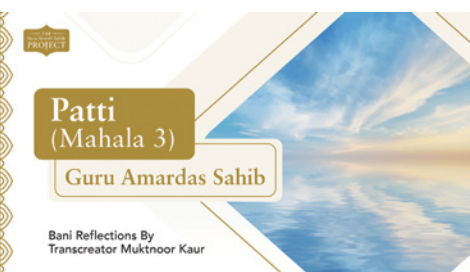
- Ivraj Singh

"This program continues to change my life every time I come here. The introspection, the sangat, and the Gurbani all impact me differently every time I'm here in a new and incredible way."

- Keerit Kaur

Sidak Online - Fear None; Frighten None

A two-and-a-half-hour Sidak online event explored the history and compositions of Guru Teghbahadar Sahib, deepening engagement with the Guru's legacy.



The Guru Granth Sahib Project (TGGSP) is a global initiative dedicated to deepening understanding and accessibility of the wisdom of the Guru Granth Sahib through rigorous, research-driven exploration. Our team meticulously studies all available material in multiple languages, collaborates with subject matter experts, and curates resources with devotion and precision. This approach bridges the gap for seekers worldwide, especially those unfamiliar with the Gurmukhi script or Panjabi language, making the universal messages and timeless wisdom of the Guru Granth Sahib more accessible to all.

In 2024, TGGSP released 118 Sabad-Units, each offering a comprehensive study of *Sabad* composition. It includes an in-depth exploration of etymology, grammar, meaning, poetic structures, historical context, and musical dimensions. Every word is analyzed with precision, enhancing comprehension. This research fuels literal translations, interpretive transcreations, and commentaries in contemporary English and Panjabi, making the Guru's wisdom more accessible to seekers worldwide.

Each month, new *Sabad* compositions were released.

Q1: Anand Sahib | Sadd | Alahania (Mahala 1)

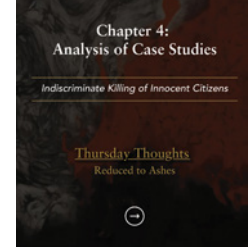
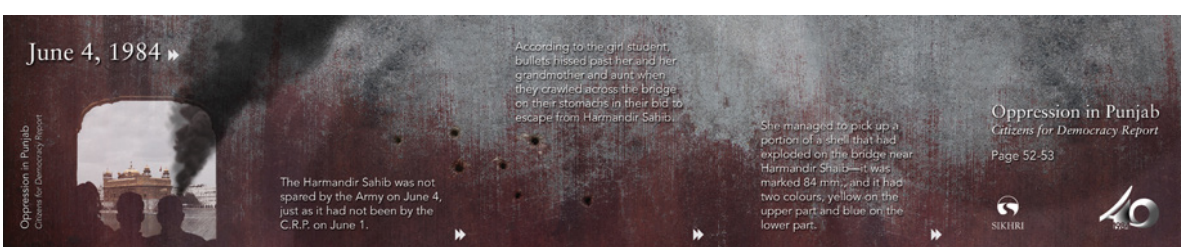
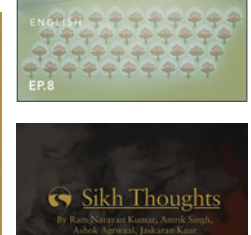
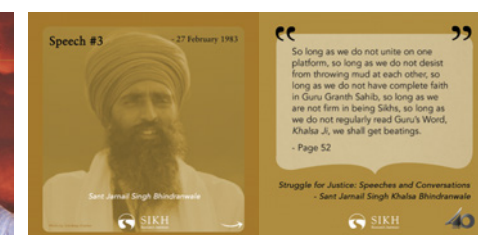
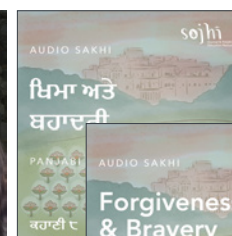
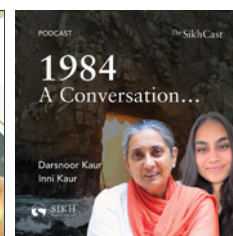
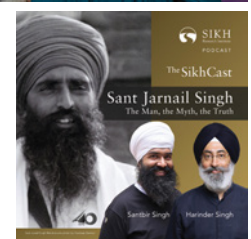
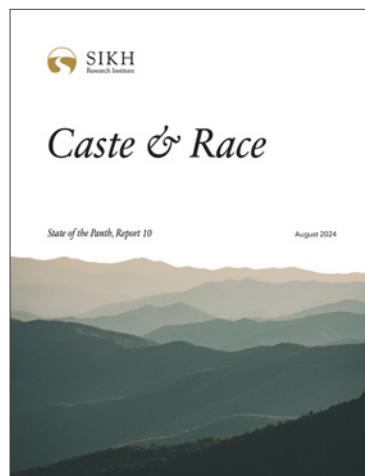
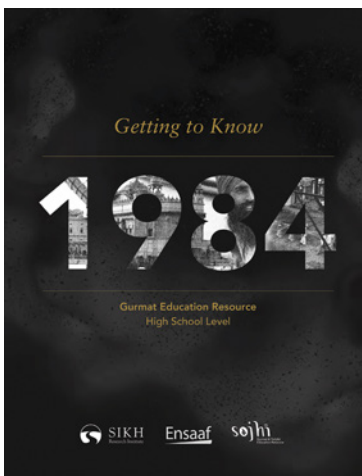
Q2: Alahania (Mahala 3) | Funeral Ceremony | Vanjara

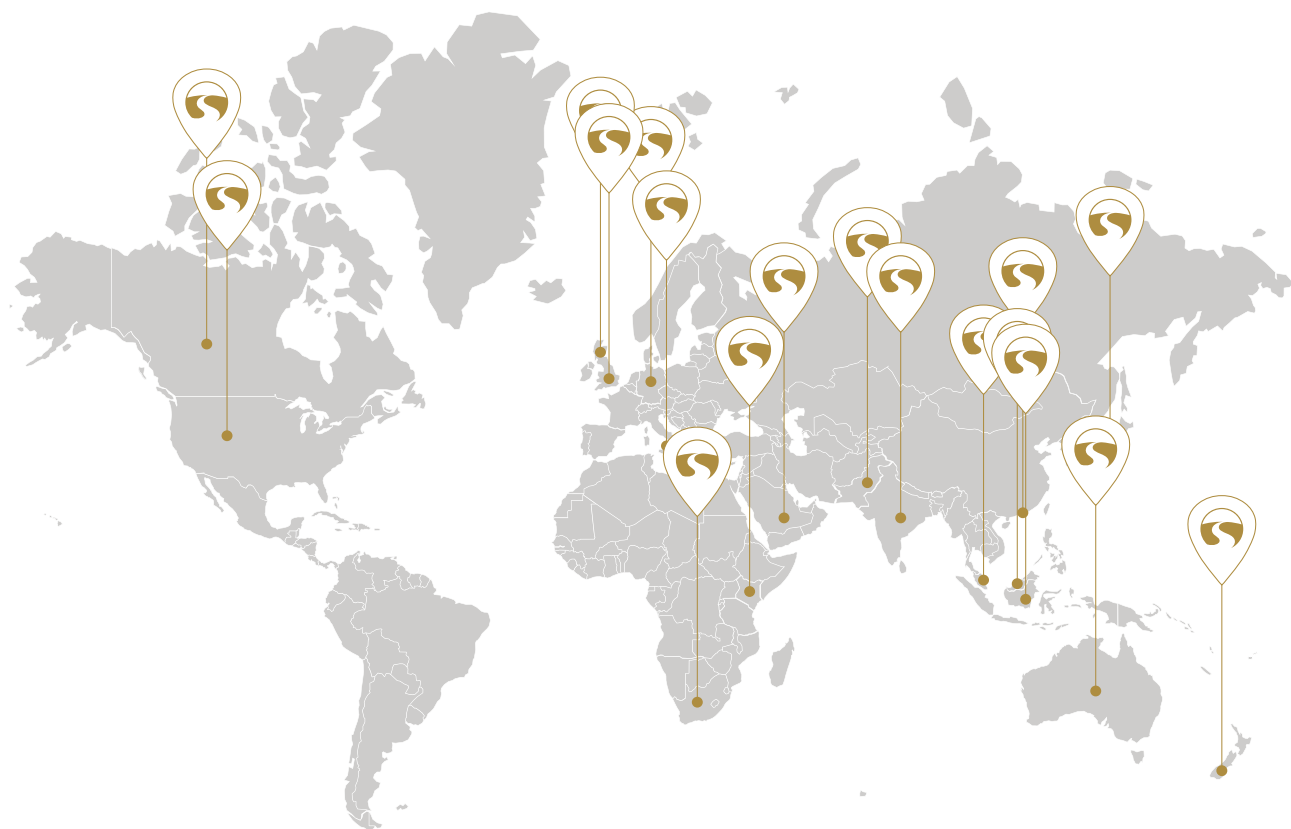
Q3: Karhale | Chaubole (Mahala 5) | Bhagat Sain Ji

Q4: Patti (Mahala 1) | Patti (Mahala 3) | Var Sat Kabir Ji

In 2024 Together We Accomplished

- Captured 9M Social Media impressions, driving widespread visibility and engagement
- Released 118 Sabad-Units, research-driven, including commentaries and translations on GuruGranthSahib.io, fostering deeper understanding and connection
- Conducted 2 *Sidak* leadership programs for young adults: Canada & Online
- Launched 24 *Getting to Know Your Sakhis* podcasts
- Launched 14 *Countdown to Vaisakhi* videos
- Launched 12 *1984 Ghallughara* podcasts
- Published *Caste & Race State of the Panth 10th* report
- Published 230 Today in Sikh History Posts, 286 Videos Released, 68 Podcasts, 52 Sikh Author Thoughts, 19 Articles
- Appeared in 43 Media Engagements
- Participated in 41 In-Person and Online Events





People Reached in 2024

Events	Website	Social Media
7K+ Attendees	146K+ Users	9M+ Impressions

Revenue

Contributions	\$ 1.6M
Program Receipts	\$ 950
Product Receipts	\$ 2K
Interests & Investments	\$ 252K
TOTAL	\$ 1.8M

Expenses

<u>Program</u>	
Innovation	\$ 58K
Community	\$ 301K
Content	\$ 351K
Publications	\$ 28K
TGGSP	\$ 463K
<u>Other</u>	
Fundraising	\$ 154K
Administration	\$ 230K
TOTAL	\$ 1.5M

Net Assets

Beginning	\$ 3.0M
Change	\$ 306K
ENDING	\$ 3.3M



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