


## Punjabi Sahit Sabha Kolkata and SikhRI Host Seminar on Bhagat Jaidev Ji's Legacy and Bani

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Kolkata, 18 May 2026 – A special seminar was organised on 16 May 2026 by the Punjabi Sahit Sabha, Kolkata, in collaboration with the [Sikh Research Institute](#) (USA), to present the research undertaken by The Guru Granth Sahib Project on the bani of Bhagat Jaidev Ji as enshrined in the Guru Granth Sahib. The seminar was held at Khalsa English High School, Kolkata.



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Renowned columnist S. Rawel Singh Pushp welcomed the audience and introduced the seminar's objectives on Bhagat Jaidev, while also conducting the proceedings with finesse.

Vikramjit Singh (Research Associate, SikhRI) commenced his address by familiarising the audience with the work being carried out by the Sikh Research Institute. He elaborated on the aims, scope, significance, and need for the Guru Granth Sahib Project. He also shed light on the life, historical context, and traditions associated with Bhagat Jaidev Ji.

Following this, Dr. Jaswant Singh, Director of [The Guru Granth Sahib Project](#), spoke in detail about the references to Bhagat Jaidev Ji in the Guru Granth Sahib and offered a focused



discussion on his bani. He explained that Bhagat Jaidev's message—centred on devotion to the Divine Name and the renunciation of worldly conventions—presents a sahad and harmonious path that guides the individual from ritual to Divine Love. This, he emphasised, ought to be the true purpose of human life. His address concluded with a nuanced reflection on the message, language, and poetic beauty of Bhagat Jaidev Ji's bani.

Subsequently, noted scholar and historian S. Jagmohan Singh of Kolkata shared research-based insights into the origins and development of the Bhagati movement, Bhagat Jaidev Ji's contribution to the devotional tradition, and his influence in Bengal. Drawing upon historical sources and evidence, he presented a detailed account of Jaidev Ji's life and works. He also mentioned that he remains actively engaged in ongoing research and intends to publish his findings in the near future.

Dr. Sahib Singh (eminent director and playwright) and S. Jitender Singh Chahal (Bhagat Jaidev Mission) also shared their perspectives.

The seminar concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by S. Gurdeep Singh Sangha, President of Punjabi Sahit Sabha, Kolkata. The event saw the participation of distinguished members and representatives from various institutions, literary bodies, educational organisations, and Gurdwara committees in Kolkata, as well as other eminent citizens and members of the business community.

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