

Baba Gurpreet Singh's (Nishan e-Sikhi) speech at the official COP28 side event "Plural approaches to clean the atmosphere, crafting Paris+10 agenda/COP30 for earth system stability", co-hosted by the Sikh Human Rights Group (lead organizer), the Boticário Group Foundation for Nature Protection, the Common Home of Humanity and the Giving Life Nature Volunteer on 6th December 2023 in Dubai, UAE.

The event explored the diverse civilisational and philosophical approaches for adaptation and meet Paris Agreement Goals to reduce, avoid and neutralise current GHG emissions and strengthen Paris+10 Agenda to clean up accumulated Atmospheric CO2. Plural and urgent communication will make it every person's issue.

Respected all

Waheguru ji ka Khalsa, Waheguru ji ki Fateh.



Today we are gathered here at side event of COP 28 to discuss different approaches to clean the atmosphere.

Let me introduce Baba Gurpreet Singh from Nishan-E-Sikhi Kaar Sewa Khadur Sahib- an environmental organization running under the able guidance of philanthropist Baba Sewa Singh- the Chairman of Nishan-E-Sikhi. Nishan-E-Sikhi is an affiliate of Sikh Human Rights Group.

The whole world is facing the climatic crisis due to increasing carbon emissions. The different organizations of the world are dealing with the crisis through multiple approaches. Nishan-E-Sikhi Khadur Sahib is working on

different environmental projects under the following approach.

Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji laid the foundation of GurSikhi in 15th century and taught a common lesson to the whole humanity. Guru Sahib emphasized the omnipresence of the Almighty



Waheguru while saying "Balihari Kudrat Vasya". He treated equally all the living creaturesanimals, birds and human beings.

The concept of "Pawan Guru Pani Pita Mata Dharat Mahat"- "The air is Guru, the water is Father and the earth is mother"- corelates the human beings to all the blessings of this earth in the form of air, water and soil.

In GurSikhi, this relation imbibes the virtues of love, respect and tranquility where human beings should nurture and love every other creature.

The sensitivity is not because of the fear of extinction of life, rather it is due to the preaching of Guru Sahib, which inculcate a sense of gratitude and responsibility.

Thus, Nishan-E-Sikhi Kaar Sewa Khadur Sahib is actually engaged in the preservation of mother Earth.



Nishan-E-Sikhi Khadur Sahib is executing its services in the above said fields since last two decades (since 1999). The following projects are being run efficiently:

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300 mini-forests have been established for developing the habitat of birds, animals and other creatures.



> 520 km roads have been covered under Roadside tree plantation project.



- 5000 Banyan trees and 5000 Sacred figs have been planted at different public as well as open spaces for atmospheric cleaning.
- Practical implementation and encouragement of organic farming in order to remove toxicity and preserve the mother Earth.

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- Implementation and upliftment of the attributes of sharing and low consumption.
- ▶ Horticultural practices in more than 250 acres and motivation to farmers for the same.



- Construction of 15 Rainwater harvesting projects at different complexes.
- Establishment of the 443 kW solar energy plants.

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All the above-mentioned projects are being run efficiently under the patronage of Baba Sewa Singh ji Kaar Sewa Khadur Sahib. Devoted to the noble cause of the environment, this caravan of Nishan-E-Sikhi has only one message to the humanity that the relation of man and nature is sacred. So human beings should take the responsibility of maintaining the balance and preserving the environment.

Here I want to share that we are here with Sikh Human Rights Group whose headquarters are in London and who regularly work with us in these projects.

Thanks.

Waheguru ji ka Khalsa. Waheguru ji ki Fateh.