

GLOBAL PUNJABI ASSOCIATION

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Proceedings of Online Meeting No: 15 of the office bearers/Executive Committee/Life Members

Monday February 26, 2024, at 6:00 P.M

An online meeting of the office bearers/executive committee members/life members of Global Punjabi Association (Regd.) and special invitees was held on **Monday February 26, 2024, at 6:00 P.M** under the Chairmanship of Col. Jaibans Singh Vice President of the Association at Google Meet Meeting link : <https://meet.google.com/sei-meek-cyq>

The following were present:

A. Office Bearers

1. **Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura – Patron**
2. Dr. Kulwant Singh Dhaliwal – President (Out of Country)
3. Col. Jaibans Singh – Vice President
4. Dr. Jaswinder Singh Dhillon – Honorary Secretary
5. Dr. (Mrs.) Jaswinder Kaur Sohal – Cashier

B. Executive Members

6. Ajay Veer Singh Lalpura
7. S. Amarjit Singh Vikrant
8. Brig. Harcharan Singh
9. S. Kuldeep Singh Kahlon
10. S. Harwinder Singh Kahlon

C. Life Members

11. Jatinder Singh Sahni
12. Sh. Rajan Khanna
13. Ms. Rama Mehra
14. Dr. Amanpreet Singh, Director PTU
15. Sh. Ravi Rajan Singh
16. Sh. Sagar Mehta
17. S. Parvinder Singh
18. S. Kulbir Singh
19. S. Parmeet Singh Chadda
20. Sh. Sahil Mehta
21. Prof. Gurwinder Singh Mamanke
22. S. Balwinder Singh Suri, Advocate
23. S. Baninder Singh, New Delhi
24. Sh. Tarsem Lal Saini
25. Ishpreet Singh
26. Gikinder Singh
27. Sh. Varun Gulhati
28. Dr. (Mrs.) Ruby Bindra
29. Dr. Surya Anand
30. Dr. Sarabjit Singh Sathiala
31. Dr. Balbir Singh Canada

D. Special Invitees

32. Sh. Osho Kalia
33. Dr. Bharti Junjua, Chandigarh

The meeting started with five times recitation of Mool Mantra of Japji Sahib and Shabad :

ਦੇਹ ਸਿਵਾ ਬਰੁ ਮੋਹਿ ਇਹੈ ਸੁਭ ਕਰਮਨ ਤੇ ਕਬਹੂੰ ਨ ਟਰੋਂ ॥
ਨ ਡਰੋਂ ਅਰਿ ਸੇ ਜਬ ਜਾਇ ਲਰੋਂ ਨਿਸਚੈ ਕਰਿ ਅਪੁਨੀ ਜੀਤ ਕਰੋਂ ॥
ਅਰੁ ਸਿਖ ਰੋਂ ਆਪਨੇ ਹੀ ਮਨ ਕੋਂ ਇਹ ਲਾਲਚ ਹਉ ਗੁਨ ਤਉ ਉਚਰੋਂ ॥
ਜਬ ਆਵ ਕੀ ਅਉਧ ਨਿਦਾਨ ਬਨੈ ਅਤਿ ਹੀ ਰਨ ਮੈ ਤਬ ਜੁਝ ਮਰੋਂ ॥

— ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ—

The following decisions were unanimously taken by the executive committee in anticipation of the approval of the general house.

1. AGENDA ITEM NO: 1. To confirm the proceedings of online meeting No: 14 held on Saturday December 30, 2023.

The decision of Last meeting were read out to the house and these were the unanimously approved.

2. AGENDA ITEM NO :2 To share action taken report.

- a. **Lohri Celebration (January 11,2024)** at Moti Nagar, Sudarshan Park, New Delhi in collaboration with **Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi Hon'ble Minister of State**. Luddi Bhangra, Jindua, Folk Dances of Punjab were presented by NZCC and Punjab Police Troupe.
- b. **Lohri Celebration (January 12,2024)** at Central Market, Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi in collaboration with **Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi Hon'ble Minister of State**. Luddi Bhangra, Jindua, Folk Dances of Punjab were presented by NZCC and Punjab Police Troupe.
- c. **Lohri Celebration (January 16, 2024)** at **Ranjit Svaasa, The Mall, Amritsar** in collaboration with **Smt. Rama Ranjit Mehra** and Shehzadanad College, Amritsar. The College Troupe presented the Cultural Program. All the local members of GPA along with prominent citizens like Brig. Harcharan Singh, Dr. Rajbir Singh, Arvinder Bhatti, Baljeet Kaur Johal, Sushma Mehra, Pr. Dr. Reena Talwar, Amarjot Sandhu, Shri. Pradeep Bhullar Majitha, Dr. Deepika etc participated.

As per decision of the house Lohri was celebrated on January 11,12 and 16 ,2024 at New Delhi and Amritsar. In New Delhi Lohri function was organised by **Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi Hon'ble Minister of State** in collaboration with Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura Ji and Local Members of GPA from New Delhi. At Amritsar Lohri Function was organised by **Smt. Rama Ranjit Mehra** at **Ranjit Svaasa, The Mall, Amritsar** in Collaboration with Local Members of GPA.

- d. **Dinner meeting of Punjabi Film Industry (February 01, 2024)** was hosted by **Hon'ble Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura Ji** at 95-Lodhi Estate, New Delhi to discuss and solve the problems of Punjabi Film Industry. **Hon'ble Shri. Arjun Ram Meghwal Ji** Union Minister for Parliamentary affairs, Law, Justice, Archology and Culture Chaired the meeting. Prominent film industry artist like **Binnu Dhillon, Gurpreet Guggi, Shavinder Mahal, Tarsem Jassar, Dev Kharoud, Baljeet Johal, Roshan Prince, Amritpal Singh, Malkeet Rouni, Mani Aujla** etc. attended the meeting.

Under the guidance of **Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura Ji, S. Ajayveer Singh Lalpura** and with the efforts and intervention of **Sh. Arjun Ram Meghwal Ji Union Minister for Parliamentary affairs, Law, Justice, Archology and Culture; Sh. Anurag Thakur Union Minister Announce setting up of Film Certification Facilitation Office at Chandigarh** on February 25, 2024. It's a great achievement of GPA. It was unanimously decided to write a letters of thanks to following:

- i. **Sh. Narendra Modi Ji. (Hon'ble Prime Minister)**
- ii. **Sh. Anurag Thakur Ji. (Hon'ble Union Minister for Information and Broad Casting)**
- iii. **Sh. Arjun Ram Meghwal Ji. (Hon'ble Union Minister for Parliamentary affairs, Law, Justice, Archology and Culture)**

- e. **Passed resolution to open new bank account of GPA local association at New Delhi.**

The resolution to open a new bank account of Local Committee of GPA at New Delhi has already been passed in the online meeting No. 14 dt. December 30, 2023 vide agenda item no:8. **Dr. Iqbal Singh Ji Lalpura** , The Patron was authorised to finalise all formalities and modalities for opening and operating the new bank account of GPA in any Nationalised Bank at New Delhi.

3. AGENDA ITEM NO :3 Celebrations in near future:-

a. Friday March 08, 2024; Maha Shivaratri and International Women Day

It was decided to celebrate Maha Shivaratri and International Women Day at Amritsar.

b. Friday March 15, 2024; Celebration of 50th Victory Day of Indian Hockey Team in 3rd World Cup at Kuala Lumpur as National Integrational Day.

Brig. Harcharan Singh Boparai gave a complete detail how the **National Indian Hockey Team won 3rd World Cup on March 15, 1975 at Kuala Lumpur. S. Ajitpal Singh was the Captain and Brig. Harcharan Singh Boparai was the Vice Captain of the Indian Team.** After 50 years of this event till now Indian National Hockey Team has not even entered into the semifinal. So it was unanimously decided that out of the champion team of 16 players, 11 are still alive. They should all be Honoured at National Level in New Delhi. It will a great Motivation for the Hockey lovers in India. Moreso, these player were from different states of India and presented a fine example of National Integration and Communal Harmony. Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura Ji took the responsibility to arrange the function at New Delhi. The following Team was formed to organise this event and other sports events in future:

- i. Jatinder Singh Sahni
- ii. Sh. Sagar Mehta
- iii. **Dr. Manu Kapila**
- iv. **Mrs. Ruby Bindra**

c. Saturday April 13, 2024; Celebration of Baisakhi

After deliberations and discussion it was decided that due to general elections of 18th Lok Sabha Baisakhi could not be celebrated on April 13. The GPA will celebrate this event after the formation of New Government at center after the month of May, 2024. It will be a Mega event involving all the Punjabi film industry celebrities.

4. AGENDA ITEM NO : 4 To open Chapters of GPA at all the 12 district headquarters of Punjab(Amritsar, Bathinda, Faridkot, Firozpur, Gurdaspur, Hoshiarpur, Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Ludhiana, Patiala, Ropar and Sangrur)

It was unanimously decided to form district chapters of GPA in all the 12 old districts of Punjab.

5. AGENDA ITEM NO : 5 To form intellectual wing of GPA at International, National and State Level and Relaxing the condition of membership fee for this category.

It was resolved to form Intellectual wing of GPA involving international , National and State Level eminent intellectuals. A committee was formed to enroll the intellectuals. It was also decided that in case the intellectuals are not willing to pay Rs. 21000/- as Life Membership fee. They may be offered Honorary Life Membership without charging any fee. The following GPA life Members will enroll the intellectual wing members:

- i. **Dr. Jaswinder Singh Dhillon- Former Vice Chancellor**
- ii. **Dr. Simrat Kahlon- Prof. and Dean Punjab University Chandigarh**
- iii. **Dr. Sarabjit Singh Sathiala – Former Dean PTU**
- iv. **S. Jatinder Singh Sahni**

6. AGENDA ITEM NO :6 To request prominent Punjabis to join GPA as Patrons

After deliberations and discussion it was decided that Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura Ji will remain the only Patron of GPA. However instead of enrolling eminent Punjabis as Patrons, The GPA will established Advisory Board of GPA. In the Advisory Board eminent Punjabis from across the globe will be Invited and Honoured as the Advisors of the GPA.

- 7. AGENDA ITEM NO :7 To pass a resolution of thanks to Shri Anurag Singh Thakur Hon'ble Minister of Minister of Information and Broadcasting of India and Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal Ji Hon'ble Union Minister for Parliamentary affairs, Law, Justice, Archology and Culture for setting up of film certification facilitation office in Chandigarh**

This item was discussed in details under Agenda Item No. 2(d) and resolved to render the thanks to the following:

- i. **Sh. Narendra Modi Ji. (Hon'ble Prime Minister)**
- ii. **Sh. Anurag Thakur Ji. (Hon'ble Union Minister for Information and Broad Casting)**
- iii. **Sh. Arjun Ram Meghwal Ji. (Hon'ble Union Minister for Parliamentary affairs, Law, Justice, Archology and Culture)**

- 8. AGENDA ITEM NO :8 Miscellaneous if any with the permission of the chair.**

Under the Miscellaneous agenda the following decision were taken:

- i. **It was decided that GPA will have its own GEET Mrs. Sukhi Brar, Sh. Gurmail Sham Nagar, Sh. Harinder Singh Sohal have been assigned the task.**
- ii. **It was also resolved that the duties be assigned to different committees to facilitate the GPA functioning.**
- iii. **It was decided that Sh. Gukinder Singh and his GPA team from New Delhi will manage the GPA website and develop it as per International Standards**
- iv. **It was resolved to finalise the list of members after deleting the name of those who has not paid the membership fee till date.**

- 9. AGENDA ITEM NO :9 Vote of thanks to the chair and esteemed members.**

The meeting ended with the Vote of thanks to the chair and esteemed members.

(Dr. Iqbal Singh Lalpura)
Chairman/Patron

(Col. Jaibans Singh)
Vice President

(Dr. Jaswinder Singh Dhillon)
Honorary Secretary