

PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING NO. 34

Date: Monday, 13 October 2025

Venue: Tagore Theatre, Sector 18-B, Chandigarh

Organised by: Global Punjabi Association (GPA)

Occasion:

Conferment of Maharaja Ranjit Singh Award

and

Book Launch – “Tilak Janu Ka Rakha”

under the patronage of

Hon’ble Shri Nayab Singh Saini, Chief Minister of Haryana

ATTENDED BY THE OFFICE BEARERS, PATRONS, ADVISORS,
EXECUTIVE MEMBERS, LIFE MEMBERS, GENERAL MEMBERS
AND DIGNATERIARS FROM OTHER STATES

1. Opening and Prelude Session (09:30 AM – 11:00 AM)

The 34th meeting commenced at **09:30 AM** with the **arrival of guests and dignitaries**. Attendees were welcomed and seated as per protocol. Light refreshments and welcome tea were served to the guests.

The programme formally began with the **Global Punjabi Association Anthem**, presented by the students of **Shri Guru Gobind Singh Public School, Chandigarh**, setting a solemn and cultural tone for the event.

This was followed by a **recitation of Gurbani Shabads of Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji**, also rendered by students of Shri

Guru Gobind Singh Public School. The spiritual atmosphere was further enriched by the **rendering of Zafarnama**.

Subsequently, **sacred verses (Shabad)** dedicated to **Shri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji** were recited by students of **Shri Guru Gobind Singh Public School, Chandigarh**.

2. Introductory Presentations

At **10:35 AM**, an address titled **“About the Book & the Author – *Tilak Janu Ka Rakha*”** was delivered by **Col. Jaibans Singh**, Vice President, Global Punjabi Association.

This was followed by a detailed presentation at **10:45 AM** on the **theme, relevance, and scholarly importance of the book**, presented by **Dr. Gurmeet Singh**, Former Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

At **10:55 AM**, **Vote of Thanks (Prelude Session)** was proposed by **S. Mohinder Singh IAS (Retd.)**, President, Chandigarh Chapter, Global Punjabi Association.

3. Award Felicitation and Ceremonial Launch (11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon)

The second session commenced at **11:00 AM** with the **Shabad Recitation – “Deh Shiva Bar Mohe”**, once again presented by the students of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Public School.

This was followed by the **lighting of the inaugural lamp** by the Chief Guest and dignitaries, symbolising the formal inauguration of the event.

A Bouquet Presentation and Badge Ceremony was conducted to honour distinguished guests on the dais.

At **11:07 AM**, the audience was formally welcomed by **Dr. Kulwant Singh Dhaliwal**, President, Global Punjabi Association & Brand Ambassador, World Cancer Care Society (UK).

4. Award Conferment

The central highlight of Meeting No. 34 was the **Conferment of the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Award**.

At **11:17 AM**, the award was conferred upon **Hon'ble Shri Nayab Singh Saini, Chief Minister of Haryana**, in recognition of his **meritorious services to the Sikh Cause and society at large**.

The citation was read by **DR. JASWIDNER SINGH DHILLON**, Former Vice-Chancellor, Guru Kashi University.

5. Presidential and Scholarly Remarks

At **11:27 AM**, **Presidential Remarks (Prelude Session)** were delivered by **Gen. J.J. Singh (PVSM, AVSM, VSM, ADC)**.

This was followed by scholarly insights on:

- **The Author of the Book by Shree Guru Goswami Sushil Maharaj Ji**
- **The Author & the Book – “Tilak Janu Ka Rakha” by Dr. K.S. Aulakh, Former Vice-Chancellor, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.**

6. Book Launch Ceremony

At **11:45 AM**, the **formal Book Launch Ceremony of “Tilak Janu Ka Rakha”** was conducted in the presence of the Chief Guest and distinguished dignitaries.

7. Address by the Chief Guest and Conclusion

At **11:50 AM**, **Hon’ble Shri Nayab Singh Saini, Chief Minister of Haryana**, delivered his **address**, highlighting the teachings of Sikh Gurus, the legacy of Maharaja Ranjit Singh, and the relevance of the book in contemporary society.

At **12:00 Noon**, the meeting concluded with the **Vote of Thanks**, followed by the **National Anthem**.

8. Closing Note

The 34th meeting was conducted successfully in a dignified and disciplined manner. All speakers adhered to the designated time schedule. The proceedings reflected the

cultural, historical, and intellectual objectives of the Global Punjabi Association.

The meeting ended at 12:00 Noon.