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SIKH NAUJAWAN SABHA MALAYSIA

53rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

2018-2019

29 June 2019 @ 10.00 am

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RE: NOTICE OF SIKH NAUJAWAN SABHA MALAYSIA 53rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019

The 53rd Annual General Meeting of Sikh Naujawan Sabha Malaysia is scheduled as follows:

Date : 29 June 2019
Time : 10.00 am
Venue : Conference Room, Sabha House,
No. 11A, Jalan Kuantan, Titiwangsa, Kuala Lumpur

AGENDA

- 53.1 Arambhak Ardas.
- 53.2 Opening Address by Jathedar.
- 53.3 Confirmation Minutes of the 52nd AGM.
- 53.4 Matters Arising.
- 53.5 Confirming of Annual Report of the Central Committee for 2018/2019.
- 53.6 Confirming of Audited Accounts for the year ended 30 April 2019.
- 53.7 Consideration of any matter of which at least 7 days' notice have been given to the Hon. Secretary.
- 53.8 Other matters furthering the objectives of the Sabha
- 53.9 Semapti.

Note:

Please submit all proposals to the Secretariat in writing for discussion at the AGM by or before 22 June 2019. The Annual Report will be made available on the SNSM website on 22 June 2019.

Sincerely,

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Khushwant Singh
Secretary

MINUTES OF 52nd AGM 2017/2018

Annual General Meeting 2018

Attendance List

No	Name	Membership No
1	Paramjeet Singh	407
2	Jasdev Singh	2431
3	Amarjit Singh	192
4	Charanjit Kaur	4153
5	Khushwant Singh	3241
6	Jasbir Singh	2213
7	Ekankar Kaur	10212
8	Nirvair Kaur	10224
9	Jasbindar Kaur	210
10	Harpal Singh Malli	3108
11	Hardeep Singh	10203
12	Suret Singh	748
13	Balwant Singh	1249
14	Karamveer Singh	10213
15	Saheb Singh	5156
16	Autar Singh	633
17	Sarnjit Singh	2086
18	Surinder Singh	5377
19	Tarsem Singh	5072
20	Mohan Singh	742
21	Dr.K. Inder Singh Kishan Singh	2623
22	Awtar Singh	2412
23	Harvinder Singh	2589
24	Dalbir Singh	4859
25	Baljit Kaur	486
26	Wajinder Singh	1787
27	Jaswant Singh	4064
28	Amreeta Kaur	5060
29	Arwinjit Singh	10204
30	Daljeet Singh, Master	300
31	Achhinda Singh	2347
32	Sarjit Singh	4542
33	Jagdeep Kaur Sarmukh Singh	3550
34	Harnarinder Singh	408
35	Navpreet Singh	2951
36	Boghar Singh	5392
37	Jaswinder Kaur	729
38	Ishverjit Singh	5246
39	Saran Singh	1448
40	Sukhbir Singh	2153
41	Balvinder Singh	2303

42	Pavandeep Singh	4421
43	Pritam Singh	12
44	Jagjit Singh Bant Singh	282
45	Amrit Kaur Manjeet Singh	634
46	Inderjit Singh	180
47	Jagdees Singh	4956
48	Renujeet Kaur	3745
49	Mohan Singh Randhawa	4231
50	Harbhajan Singh	2199
51	Jagdev Singh	2970
52	Gurmail Singh	4017
53	Bhavbhajan Kaur	10236
54	Harbinder Singh	59
55	Dalbir Singh	2565
56	Ajeet Kaur	3777
57	Rameet Kaur	3885
58	Gurmukh Singh	1371
59	Inderjit	3619
60	Amarjit	1458
61	Gurcharan Singh	791
62	Balvinder Kaur	10225
63	Terlochan Singh	3033
64	Jaswant Singh	3915
65	Manjeet Singh	5094
66	Hargobind Singh	5073
67	Lakhbir Singh	873
68	Ajit Singh	1485
69	Gurpreet Singh	4250
70	Ajit Singh	4865
71	Sukhvinder Singh	4870
72	Narinder Kaur	3879
73	Bhajanmeet Singh	10052
74	Harmeet Singh	5287
75	Nasib Kaur	3167
76	Dheeraj Singh	4852
77	Preetam Singh Harnam Singh	1952
78	Dalgit Singh	4098
79	Charanjit Kaur Harbhajan Singh	3105
80	Keshmahinder Singh	10247
81	Balbir Singh Tara Singh	1241
82	Jagdev Singh Jagjit Singh	5194
83	Harbhajan Kaur	5245
84	Rajvinder Singh	
85	Pritam Singh	
86	Harjit Singh	
87	Jaswant Singh	

MINUTES OF 52nd AGM 2017-2018

No.	Item
52.1	Meeting commenced with Arambhakh Ardaas by Sardar Awtar Singh (2412)
52.2	Jathedar Jasbir Singh (2213) welcomed members. Jathedar briefed members on the vision of SNSM going forward and apologised for any shortcomings in the sewa.
52.3	Confirmation of Minutes of the 52nd AGM
	<i>Queries and comments before confirmation of minutes</i>
52.3.1	<p>Sardar Harpal Singh (3108) inquired about the steps taken with regards to the the occupants of the SNSM hostel in Brickfields</p> <p>Jathedar explained that they had hostel has been vacated expect for a disabled mother and daughter. Another family is also staying there to assist with the disable mother and daughter.</p> <p>Earlier offer to rent the hostel had was lapsed and SNSM now has another offer which is being considered.</p> <p>Sardar Boghar Singh (5392) informed members that the back portion of the hostel is in poor condition and needs cleaned and refurbished. Also some individuals were using the room at the back portion of the hostel for non-approved activities.</p>
52.3.2	Sardar Harpal Singh (3108) suggested that the attendance details for exco meetings to be stated in the Annual Report.
52.3.4	Sardar Harnarinder Singh(0408) suggested that a report on actions taken on matters raised at the previous AGM be tendered as a separate sheet in the future.
52.3.5	<p>Master Daljit Singh (0300) commended the exco for the emphasis placed on the Daswand Scheme. Masterji suggested for more statistics to be included for the Daswand Scheme. Masterji also suggested that some interaction take place with contributors of the Daswand Scheme.</p> <p>The Bhen Amreeta Kaur (5060) informed that there were certain limitations on the information and statistics that can be extracted from online transaction but will look at ways that the reporting and statistics can be improved.</p>
52.3.6	

		<p>Colonel Mohan Singh (4231) offered his services to develop formats and templates that may be used to record future minutes of meetings.</p> <p>Confirmation of Minutes of the 52nd AGM Proposed to be accepted by Sdr Autar Singh (0633) Seconded by Sardar Harpal Singh (3108)</p>
52.4		<p>Matters arising</p> <p>No matters arising</p>
52.5		<p>Confirmation of the Annual Report of the Central Committee for 2017/2018</p>
		<p>Proposed to be accepted by Sdr Jasswant Singh (4064) Seconded by Sdr Harnarinder Singh (0408)</p>
52.6		<p>Confirmation of Audited Accounts for the year ended 30 April 2017</p>
	52.6.1	<p>Veer Hardeep Singh (1023) (Assistant Treasurer) explained that though the auditors have checked everything there are occasions especially during samelan where sewadars lose receipts – so it was agreed that vouchers would be raised and all vouchers would get them signed as supporting documents.</p> <p>On that basis, the Internal Auditors had written for clarification on 2 items. The Treasurers had responded to the queries of the Internal Auditors in writing.</p> <p>TRS also explained the reason is to have better transparency and also as per page 4 of audited accounts auditors signed off with condition</p> <p>Confirmation of Audited Accounts for the year ended 30 April 2017 Proposed to be accepted by Sdr Balwant Singh (1247) Seconded by Sdr Saran Singh (1448)</p>
52.7		<p>Consideration Of Any Matter Of Which At Least 7 Days Notice Has Been Given To The Hon Secretary</p> <p>No such matter submitted to Secretary</p>

52.8		Election
	52.8.1	Master Daljit Singh (0300) proposed nomination of Datuk Surat Singh (0748) as “Mokay da Jathedar”. The nomination was seconded by Sarjit Singh Naura (4542)
	52.8.2	Veer Balvinder Singh (2303) nominated Dr Jasbir Singh to complete his term as is the “parampara” of the Sabha. Seconded by Sdr Autar Singh (0633)
	52.8.3	Master Daljit Singh (0300) proposed that nominations be closed. Seconded by Master Pritam Singh(0012)
52.9		Announcement Of Central Committee For 2018/2020
	52.9.1	The Central Committee will be announced asap. A core group of senior sewadars have been identified consisting of Datuk Surat Singh, Master Daljit Singh, Jaswinder Kaur, Pavandeep Singh, Paramjeet Singh and Mohon Singh.
52.10		Election Of 2 Internal Auditors
	52.10.1	Mohon Singh nominated Jaswant Singh. Seconded by Ajit Singh (1485) Jaswinder Kaur (0729) nominated Satwinder Singh. Seconded by Saran Singh (1448)
52.11		Other Matters Furthering The Objectives Of Sabha
	52.11.1	Veer Sarvinder requested for clarification on withdrawing the invitation to Bhai Sukha Singh Veer Hardeep Singh (1023) explained that it was a collective decision by the exco. The Jathedar explained that even though many issues were raised regarding Bhai Sukha Singh, Sabha had disregarded them. Only after a petition was written by some parties and also an immigration issue was raised, the Jathedar sent out a message to the EXCO asking their thoughts MGC sent a letter to Sabha but was it not sent in proper manner. The Jathedar confronted Jagir Singh and informed him that issuing the letter was not a proper way of doing things. The EXCO gave the views and the Jathedar made the decision.

	52.11.2	<p>Veer Hargobind Singh was disappointed in the manner in which things were handled as Bhai Sukha Singh only found out 2 days before arriving in Malaysia. Veer Hargobind (5073) stated that after the incident Sabha should have sent out a statement to clarify to create a better situation.</p> <p>Veer Hargobind Singh (5073) suggested that a checklist be created and that only the parcharak who fulfil established criteria be invited</p> <p>Veer Hargobind Singh felt that Sabha was strong armed to make the decision. Veer Hargobind suggested that Sabha should leave things in the past and move on in the future and change the way we do things</p> <p>Veer Hargobind Singh (5073) also suggested that the Sabha constitution be amended to include social media.</p> <p>Sardar Habhajan Singh (2199) stated that Sabha should focus on n3 C's being:-</p> <p>Coalition: Build relationships with all the other organisations – problems are always about the personalities / have table talks – go town to town talk to the ppl on the ground.</p> <p>Clear Communication : Clear the lines of communications</p> <p>Courage : To take the Sabha to the next level</p> <p>Veer Gurmukh Singh (1371) stated that a detailed record of meetings where important decisions are made, be kept.</p> <p>Bhen Jaswinder Kaur (0729) stated that Sabha an organisation for the youth and needs to engage with youth on what they needs. Sabha needs young role models. The youth should be included in the decision making process. We need to ensure that we are careful on what we write on social media. More ladies should be brought forward to take on leadership roles.</p> <p>Veer Sarvinder Singh was concerned on the injury suffered by a sevadar at Samelan where a parent defied the security team and drove into the Samelan grounds. The tyre of the car had run over the foot of the sevadar.</p>
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		Jathedar explained that Sabha took a serious view of the matter. Jathedar clarified that the S. Boghar Singh (5392) who was the injured sewadar was gracious in that he did not wish to pursue the matter with the authorities. The matter was settled internally.
52.12		Semapti

Minutes prepared by Harvindar Singh



Dr. Jasbir Singh
Jathedar



Khushwant Singh
Secretary



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Annual Report

1 May 2018 - 30 April 2019

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The Executive Committee (EXCO) for 2018-2019 presents below the ***Annual Report of the Sikh Naujawan Sabha Malaysia (Sabha)*** for the 12-month period from **1 May 2018 to 30 April 2019**.

ITEM	REPORT
1.0	Central Committee
	<p>The Central Executive Committee for the year 2018-2019</p> <p><u>July 2018 - December 2018</u></p> <p>Jathedar: Sardar Jasbir Singh</p> <p>Meet Jathedar: Sardar Paramjeet Singh</p> <p>Meet Jathedar: <i>Master Daljit Singh</i></p> <p>Meet Jathedar: <i>Bhen Jaswinder Kaur</i></p> <p>Secretary: Sardar Khushwant Singh</p> <p>Asst. Secretary: Sardar Achhinda Singh</p> <p>Treasurer: Sardar Dr Jaspal Singh</p> <p>Asst. Treasurer: <i>Sardar Mohan Singh</i></p> <p>Committee Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sardar Awtar Singh • <i>Bhen Bhavbhanjan Kaur</i> • Sardar Harvinder Singh • <i>Sardar Kesh Mahinder Singh</i> • Sardar Pavandeep Singh • <i>Prof Dr Paramjit Singh</i> • <i>Datuk Suret Singh</i> • Veer Karamveer Singh • Veer Tersame Singh <p><u>Note:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven (7) Members (names in <i>italics</i>) collectively resigned on 23 October 2018 due to disagreement with the decisions taken at the EXCO Meeting held on 25 September 2018. • Veer Tersame Singh resigned on 3 October 2018. • Veer Karamveer Singh resigned on 11 October 2018. <p><u>December 2018 - April 2019</u></p> <p>Jathedar: Sardar Jasbir Singh</p> <p>Meet Jathedar: Sardar Paramjeet Singh</p> <p>Secretary: Sardar Khushwant Singh</p> <p>Asst. Secretary: Bhen Charanjit Kaur</p> <p>Treasurer: Dr Jaspal Singh</p> <p>Asst. Treasurer: Sardar Hardeep Singh</p> <p>Committee Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sardar Awtar Singh • Bhen Balwinderjit Kaur • Sardar Fareed Singh • Sardar Hardeep Singh • Sardar Inderjit Singh • Sardar Harwinder Singh • Veer Mahajoth Singh • Sardar Pavandeep Singh • Sardar Saheb Singh

1.2	The Central Committee held 11 EXCO Meetings during this period, one each month. Also convened were the meetings of the Principal Office Bearers, as and when needed, and the meetings of various events organizing committees.		
	The following are the <i>Sewadars</i> that served the Sabha for the year 2018/2019:		
	Bhen Mandeep Kaur	Caretaker & Administration, Sabha House	Full Time
	Sardar Jaspal Singh	Manager, Sabha House	until March 2019
	Sardar Sarjit Singh	Manager, KKB Khalsa Land	Full Time
	Bhen Git Kaur	Sewadar, KKB Khalsa Land	Full Time
	Sardar Baljinder Singh	Sewadar, KKB Khalsa Land	Full Time
	Sardar Paramjit Singh	Sewadar, KKB Khalsa Land	Full Time
1.4	Sardar Jaspal Singh's services were discontinued as there was not much office-based work to be carried out from Sabha House. The EXCO Members discussed with him on this matter before he was informed of the decision to terminate his services.		
2.0	<u>Membership</u>		
2.1	The total membership is 5,550 (as of 30 April 2019). The total number of Members in benefit (Annual Members and Life Members) for the AGM 2019 is 1,412, while the remaining 4,138 Members are in arrears.		
	The breakdown of Membership by State is as follows:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Johor 362 • Kelantan 17 • W. Persekutuan 1,250 • Negeri Sembilan 316 • Kedah 214 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pahang 141 • Penang 342 • Perlis 47 • Selangor 1,445 • Melaka 85 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terengganu 9 • Perak 946 • Sabah 91 • Sarawak 74 • Overseas 201
2.3	There was an addition of 75 new Members to SNSM in 2018. The Central Committee would like to humbly appeal to all Members to update their subscriptions annually, and at the same time also to encourage family members to become part of the Sabha Family.		
3.0	<u>Finance</u>		
3.1	All the Sabha activities are fully funded by the generous donations from the <i>Sanggat</i> . The Sabha wholeheartedly would like to thank all the donors, well-wishers and the entire Sikh <i>Sanggat</i> for the constant and continuous support and contributions. The detailed SNSM Financial Statements are annexed herewith .		
4.0	<u>Parchar</u>		
4.1	Parchar has always been the central focus of the Sabha. Sharing the message of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji has been and will continue to be the most important activity of the Sabha. As the core Sewa of the Sabha, most of the Sabha's time and effort have been dedicated to Parchar activities.		
4.2	Regional Samelans and Weekend Camps were conducted at the following venues:		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fellowship Camp, Cameron Highlands 2. Annual Gurmat Parchar Samelan, Khalsa Land 3. Penang Gurmat Mini Semelan 		

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Changkat Gurmat Mini Samelan, Perak 5. Mini Samelan at GS Sungai Siput, Perak 6. enKAURage Retreat at Khalsa Land 7. Taiping Mini Samelan 8. Sungai Siput Mini Samelan 9. Khalsa Land
5.0	<u>Daswand Programme</u>
5.1	<p>The <i>One For The Guru</i> Daswand Programme was launched in April 2016.</p> <p>As Members are aware, the Sabha has two twin purposes: Parchar (religious enrichment) and Community Development.</p> <p>Sabha had previously launched the Daswand Scheme with the objective to ensure that there is a flow of consistent funds into the Sabha's account to finance the various activities for the above purposes.</p> <p>To date, there are 84 members of the <i>Sanggat</i> who have registered to contribute funds on a monthly, quarterly or yearly basis.</p> <p>All Sabha Members are encouraged to partake in this <i>Daswand</i> programme. A continuous and sufficient supply of funds allows for the expenses incurred in holding the various programmes and initiatives to be paid in a timely fashion.</p>
<u>Programs and Events</u>	
6.0	<u>The 27th Punjabi Bhaasha Mela (PBM) 2018</u>
6.1	<p>Date : 9 & 10 June 2018</p> <p>Time : 8.00 am – 5.00 pm</p> <p>Venue: APU, Bukit Jalil</p> <p>No of Participants: about 250 from the various Punjabi Education Centres (PECs) all around Malaysia.</p> <p>Demographic of participants: Aged from 7 to 17, comprising of PEC students.</p> <p>Participating Teams: Johor Baharu, Ipoh, Selayang, Klang, Petaling Jaya, Mantin, Tanjung Rambutan, Gurburi, Kg Pandan, Rawang, Penang & Shah Alam.</p>
6.2	<p>The Core Committee comprised of 10 members, namely Jathedar Jasbir Singh, Satwant Singh, Amarjit Singh, Pritam Kaur, Ravinder Kaur, Dalvinderpal Singh, Lakvinder Singh, Tarsem Singh, Gurpreet Kaur, Manpreet Kaur, Kulbir Singh, Harvinder Singh, Gurwinder Singh and Baldave Singh.</p> <p>This Committee met on a forth nightly basis to plan the event. Each member was delegated their tasks accordingly. The appointed judges were briefed prior to the competition by a Core Committee member. As part of the core committee, young team members were recruited to be groomed for future roles. APU Punjabi society students were engaged to assist in prior preparations and on the event day.</p> <p>Everyone worked diligently towards making this event more successful than previous years.</p> <p>Sabha would like to express its thanks to Dato' Dr Paramjit Singh, Gurpardeep Singh and Dr Sarvinder Kaur for their generosity and also extending the invitation for the 28th PBM in 2019.</p> <p><u>Competition Categories</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shudh Paath ➤ Kavita (Poem)

- Sakhi (Story Telling)
- Shudh Akhar Jord (Spelling)
- Prashnotri (Quiz)
- Tatkali Peshkari (Impromptu Public Speaking)
- Ajj Di Taaza Khabar (News Reading)
- Behes (Debate)
- Spelling
- Bhashan

Participation

All Punjabi Education Centres (PECs) were informed of the event via email, WhatsApp and telephone calls. Unfortunately, not all PECs participated in this event. Reasons were amongst others, distance from their home base, inadequate students and time to prepare, including last minute cancellations.

Competition Day

Both the “Sanggat” and participants arrived by 8am. The event started approximately at 8.30am with an Arambak Ardaas followed by an opening speech by Jathedar Jasbir Singh Ji.

All Sewadars were delegated to each Region respectively. Lunch and tea was sponsored by generous contributors, Gurdwara Sahib Wada Gurdwara Kg. Pandan, Gurdwara Sahib Klang and Gurdwara Sahib Sg. Besi Shapa. Dinner was prepared by the respective Gurdwara’s that accommodated all outstation participants, namely Wadda Gurdwara Sahib Kg Pandan and Gurdwara Sahib Kuyow. Sabha thanks all these Gurdwaras who had provided this wonderful Sewa.

All competitions were conducted in the various lecture rooms simultaneously and 2 large auditoriums for certain events. As it was the first time being held at such a large premise, there were a few hiccups, but the diligent Sewadars worked tirelessly to solve these diligently. One key success factor was that everyone was happy that all the events were conducted as per schedule.

Day two was another amazing day as all participants were getting ready for the final day of debate that always took the centre stage. Though heated but friendly, this event was a major success.

Prize giving ceremony commenced at approximately 5.30 pm and the event officially ended about 6.30pm.

7.0	<u>Education Camp</u>
7.1	<u>Education Camp 2019 - Guidance on application to Universities after SPM & STPM</u> Date: 17 March 2019 Venue: Sabha House 40 participants attended this camp and were provided insights into careers in various disciplines, e.g. financial industry, academic etc.
7.2	SNSM organised an Education Camp on 17 March 2019 for STPM and SPM students who had just received their examination results. The main objective of the Camp was to provide guidance and support to students on how to apply to local public universities via the Unit Pusat Universiti-Universiti (UPU), and also options available for those who had just completed their SPM. About 30 students and parents attended this event. Lecturers from the public and private universities participated in the Camp to provide guidance to the participants. A special session was also arranged for those who did not achieve the desired

results and were informed of the many skills-based courses provided by the public and private institutions.

SNSM would like to convey its appreciation to Associate Professor Dr. Sarjit Singh, Associate Professor Dr. Mandeep Singh, Dr. Baljit Singh, Dr. Jaspal Singh, Dr. Daleleer Kaur, Dr. Gurcharan Singh, Sdr. Rattan Singh, Sdr Gurpardeep Singh and Veer Satpal Singh.

A session on 'Future of Work' was convened during the Grand Vasakhi Event. The facilitators were Veer Taranjeet Singh and Veer Jagmohan Singh. This was organised to meet the request of many parents who had indicated that their children did not have any idea of which study stream to pursue.

With the passion and support shown by the academicians, more activities will be organised to provide the needed assistance and guidance to students. The feedback received from the participants, amongst others, was for the Sabha to hold similar sessions for Form 4 students which will be a good platform for them to determine their future career choice.

Also included in the pipeline is to have sessions for university and college leavers on preparation of their resume, how to attend a job interview, managing finances, and the importance of having an insurance policy.

8.0 Youth Kirtan Darbar

8.1 An initiative started in collaboration with Gurdwaras to show case local youth Jathas. The monthly Kirtan Darbar's were organised around the Klang Valley and other states. This was done so we could provide a platform and opportunity for our youths to explore and showcase their talent. SNSM would like to thank participating Gurdwaras (PJ, Shah Alam etc.) for their support to this initiative.

9.0 Sikhi Tsunami 550

9.1 In conjunction with the 550 Years Parkash Dihara of Dhan Dhan Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji, SNSM in collaboration with Gurdwara Sahib Tatt Khalsa, organised the launch of this program on 31 August 2018. This event was made possible with the assistance from various local Kirtani Jathas who after the launch participated in a nationwide Kirtan Programme. Approximately 700 members of the *Sanggat* attended the programme which was also publicised in a local newspaper.

The Sikhi Tsunami 550 program was held in various Gurdwaras nationwide (as per table below). It was organised to encourage the *Sanggat* to participate in *One hour of Shabad Kirtan followed by 30 minutes of Chanting 'Dhan Guru Nanak'*.

Klang Valley	Gurdwara Sahib Tatt Khalsa	31 Aug 2018
Kedah	Gurdwara Sahib Kulim	2 Sept 2018
Penang	Gurdwara Sahib Butterworth	1 Sept 2018
	Wadda Gurdwara Sahib Penang	2 Sept 2018
Pahang	Gurdwara Sahib Raub	8 Sept 2018
	Gurdwara Sahib Mentakab	8 Sept 2018
	Gurdwara Sahib Kuantan	9 Sept 2018
	Gurdwara Sahib Bentong	9 Sept 2018
Perak	Wadda Gurdwara Sahib Ipoh	1 Sept 2018

		Gurdwara Sahib Taiping	2 Sept 2018
		Gurdwara Sahib Railway	2 Sept 2018
	Melaka	Gurdwara Sahib Melaka	1 Sept 2018
	Negeri Sembilan	Gurdwara Sahib Tampin	2 Sept 2018
	Sarawak	Gurdwara Sahib Miri	1 Sept 2018
		Gurdwara Sahib Kuching	2 Sept 2018
	<p>As part of this program, SNSM had worked in providing 'SGGS Sanchia' to Pathis who are participating in the <i>Sehaj Path</i>, that were launched in various Gurdwaras. In addition, other activities were initiated that included the recitation of <i>Mool Mantar Jaap</i> and <i>Japji Sahib Path</i>.</p>		
10.0	<u>55th Annual Gurmat Parchar Samelan</u>		
10.1	Date:	16 to 22 December 2018	
	Venue:	Khalsa Land, KKB	
	Theme Shabad:	Kaho Nanak Sabh Teri Vadhiyaae Koi Nao Na Jane Mera <i>Says Nanak, this is all your greatness, no one even knows my name</i>	
10.2	<u>Pre-Samelan Preparations</u>		
	<p>The 55th Annual Gurmat Parchar Samelan 2018 was held for the 4th year at our very own Khalsa Land in Kuala Kubu Bharu. The preparation for the Samelan started months before the event. Many Sewadars put in countless hours, discussing and preparing for the Samelan, including planning for site visits, getting government approvals, registration, logistics and preparing materials for classroom sessions and learning modules.</p>		
	<u>First Day</u>		
	<p>The arrival of Guru Maharaj was the highlight of the opening ceremony, where the Sikh Bikers escorted Guru Maharaj Ji from the Gurdwara Sahib Rasa to the Khalsa Land, followed by the Sri Dasmesh Band. With the blessings of <i>WaheGuru</i>, Samelan 2018 began with the opening hukamnama "<i>Koi Jane Kevan Eha Jag Meet</i>".</p>		
10.3	<u>Miri-Piri Program:</u>		
	<p>This programme was led by Vir Khushwant Singh, with tremendous support and involvement from all the Jatha Coordinators, Speakers and Samelan Sewadars.</p> <p>The topics and modules for the Samelan were prepared and shared beforehand with the identified speakers. At the Samelan, daily nightly meetings were held for the speakers where Jathedar Jasbir Singh and Vir Khushwant Singh briefed the speakers about the topic for the next day and had short discussions on the conduct of the topics. The meetings were regarded as being very helpful.</p> <p>Key Learning Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain what Values are • Interpret what <i>Kirt Karni</i> is • Demonstrate what <i>Naam</i> is • Show what <i>Vand Chakna</i> is • Explain what is a Sikh's commitment towards the Guru – translating into your own commitment 		

Every Learning Module was accompanied with the following:

- a) Case studies
- b) Games
- c) Group presentation – to develop presentation & teamwork skills
- d) Real-life citations

The topics for the classroom sessions were as follows.

Topics	Learning Curve
Theme: <i>Kaho Nanak Sabh Teri Vadhiyaae Koi Nao Na Jane Mera</i>	
Day 1 <i>Values</i> - how do values define us translating into personal values	What are the values that we are introduced from young? Why do we need such values in our upbringing and where does it translate to? How do these complement our upbringing individually and facilitation at a society/communal level.
Day 2 <i>Linkage of Values to Guru Nanak – focus on Kirt Karni</i> - what it actually means in our daily lives.	Where does <i>Kirt Karni</i> come into being with the Values from Day 1? How Truthful Living does define us as an individual and in a society. Guru Nanak himself walked the talk. Examples of current <i>Kirt Karni</i> scenarios.
Day 3 Why Naam? Its importance & significance to a Sikh	Bring back the Values & Doing i.e. <i>Kirt Karni</i> into focus. Speak about current digital trend where something that is 'trending' in any social media platform is because many users are thinking or writing about a particular common topic. In essence, question is, do we want the Guru to 'trend' in our own lives. Why is it important to have our Guru trending as a platform to drive good values in us and collectively in a society.
Day 4 <i>Vand Chakna</i> – the "sharing" in what context? The why and today's examples	The idea that an individual who shares can change a society. The Guru knew and had foresight that not everyone will have everything good. Hence, it is a Sikh's duty to feed humanity with the sharing of our fruits of earning. Examples of current CSR activities by companies who are actually embracing what Guru Nanak started hundreds of years ago.
Day 5 Bringing all together into our COMMITMENT. Does this matter? Is it important for me?	Speak about the seven (7) Habits of Highly Effective People. Bringing focus of "effectiveness in our lives". This is where the Guru, His Message from Values as a platform, to the 'doing' i.e. <i>Kirt Karni</i> drives the remembrance of Him i.e. <i>Naam</i> into uplifting our individual self & society/humanity in general via <i>Vand Chakna</i> .

To ensure continuity of the message, Kirtan Jathas were also given the list of topics/emphasis of their sessions with the participants. The organizing committee did what it could do to ensure that there was such continuity.

Other programmes included the daily Sewa charts where participants through their Jathas were assigned a Sewa to perform every day. They were guided by the JC's and the respective team in charge of the Sewa. Amongst others, participants were exposed to Langgar Sewa, Utilities Sewa and Darbar Sahib Sewa.

Outdoor activities via group dynamics were organised by Samelan Sewadars & SNSM Youths. Some of these activities were Jungle Walks, Amazing Race, Samelan Master Chef and Artwork Landscaping. All these activities had positive feedback from the participants. In addition, there were Jatha and Drama Competitions where prizes were given to the winners each of the competitions.

There were daily *Amrit Sanchar* discussions and a special talk on *Essential Oils and their benefits* for Sewadars. As part of encouraging our children to perform Kirtan on stage, two IPS sessions were replaced with "Atamras Kirtan" where participants were encouraged to do Kirtan in the Main Darbar. The meaning of the Shabads was also shared with the "Sanggat".

The program took full advantage of the location and the vast blessings of mother nature available at Khalsa Land.

Mighty Khalsa Program

Under the mentorship of Bhenji Manjeet Kaur Subang, Bhenji Rani Kaur mobilised a core team of 10 Sewadars with sub teams for the different programmes to be carried out, as the team only managed to get together about three months prior to the Samelan. It was decided that some changes be made as many of the Mighties were already finding it too predictable and we wanted to create an interrupt to the set pattern to bring in the creativity needed to enhance their experience, taking into account the feedback from previous participants and Sewadars. The idea was for them to find the changes interesting and create a desire to return the following year with their friends.

The Highlights: going back to basics and introducing The Guru Nanak Way of being a good human being and Sikh, via the practices and values of namely *Naam Jaapa*, *Kirt Karni* and *Wand Ke Shakna*. Most sessions were carried out as per the last year's plans.

Below are some highlights.

1. **The Gyan Ka Sagar Teachings** and the booklet creation of quality, so that the Mighties were able to take back the booklet for their nightly reading session. The Mighties and their parents were encouraged to use these booklets and the stories so that the Samelan lessons could be taken back and reintroduced at home. The children are coming for the *Gyan*, and we must be able to deliver the learning form that is reusable and make it a nice experience to own such types of booklets.
2. **Nishan Sahib Salami:** Other than the first day and the last day, the Mighties performed their own *Nishan Sahib Salami* sessions on stage which were usually followed by fun-exercise activities, taking advantage of the beautiful mornings at Khalsa Land for the kids to

enjoy the fresh morning air. The classes usually started later into the morning to enable this to take place.

3. **Khalsa Challenge:** The most important highlight for the Samelan was the Khalsa Challenge where the Mighties were taken from classroom to classroom and their knowledge was put to test through the acting of the Sewadars who dressed up to re-enact the situation being challenged. In spite of the lack of space and resources, the team carried it out with great success. This was followed by a review session the next day, classroom by classroom, to share the experience and learning for the Mighties to take back home.
4. **IPS sessions (afternoon) by the Mighties** for a few afternoons. The Mighties Jatha was then supported by the invited Sewadars to follow through on the learning behind the shabad.
5. **Night review and reading sessions** – introduced to get the Mighties to have some group games in the evening and followed by where possible with story-telling corners at a corner of the Dorm. Heart to heart sessions were also conducted especially for the older Mighties.
6. **The Guru Nanak Way Songs:** Two (2) songs were specially created by *Gian Ka Sagar* team of Sewadars and recordings were done by Penji Manjeet. This sing along the teachings of Guru Nanak Dev Ji was carried out daily to allow for learning through music, fun and joy of a sing along song. This was very effective especially in being able to bring the lessons home in a fun and joyous manner.
7. **Painting** (visual learning): Children were taken through this session using canvas tiles to create their own learning of the Sikhi way with the assistance of the other home Phenji's. This was an important anchoring process to remind them of what they had learned from attending the Samelan.
8. **Wand Ka Shakna Exercise** - Banner Jatha painting: “We are the tree, our roots are made of *Naam Japna, Kirt Karni* and *Wand Ke Shakna*. We provide shelter for others and the leaves may sway but we are Strong like the Trunk” - which was a learning from the IPS and *Gyan* teachings being introduced via a painting session. They practiced *Kirt Karni* by working on their own banner as a group which was later sold during an auction open to all at the Samelan.

The Mighties were then taken through the process of *Wand Ke Shakna* teaching and it was unanimously agreed by all the Mighties that they would not take any money back but will donate it plant more trees and create a Mighties Green corner for future generations. This money will be used for the next Samelan to create their own Mighties Green Corner
9. **Planting of Trees:** Gardening and planting trees follow the way as preached by Guru Nanak Dev Ji to give back and take care of mother nature and leave a legacy of pride that they had planted a particular tree towards this noble cause.
10. **Prize Giving:** For the outstanding Jatha was that of the 11 year olds who did an amazing job at the Amazing Race and Khalsa Challenge. The recognition was for a good job done, as well as a thank you for being the Mighties through out their formative years. All the Mighties

were also given a T-shirt (for the water blast fun time) and medal each as a token of appreciation for 'showing up' which is a reminder of an important value that our Gurus advocated for a Gur Sikh.

Samelan program content was as follows:

1. **The Amazing Guru Nanak Way:**

The objective of the day was to share an overview of Guru Nanak's mission, his journey, his life and his greatness. To remind the Mighties that through Guruji, we learn that Guru Ji lived his life and imparted his teachings through love and gentleness

2. **Kirt Karni:**

Doing everything to the best of one's ability: The objective of the day was to allow the Mighties to experience creating their own learning experience, making good their creative way to make their own banners to sell, and their "reflection tile" to take back to remind them of their role as Guru Nanak's children focusing on the concept of truthful living.

3. **Naam Jaapna:**

Loving remembrance of the Creator/Expression of Love to God: *Naam jaapa* practice and why it is important to have this in one's life. The Mighties were taken through several learning and reflective sessions on *Mool Mantar* and what it can mean to them.

4. **Wand Shakna:**

The more we share, the more we have: The objective was to inculcate the importance of sharing in a Sikh's life and why, as well as how, did our Guruji's do this throughout their lives. As a Gursikh, this is an important part of our lives which should be nurtured at all times

5. **Recap and Summary:**

How we celebrate the life of Guru Nanak and his teachings: The objective was to bring real life scenarios played out and for the Mighties to review how they response to such scenarios. This was followed by reflective group sessions which allowed the learning to be presented for the Mighties to take home as new life lessons learnt at the Samelan.

Bad weather conditions and the lack of space for Mighties to carry out many programmes resulted in some programmes having being shelved, while daily changes had to be made to accommodate and make good of the situation. More can be planned and done so that the Sewadars are able to focus in delivering to the participants a greater experience. With that being said, all the Sewadars worked very hard to make good to nurture these young Sikhs in their formative years.

Without the Sewadars, who encouraged and supported each other months ahead of the Samelan, giving up their personal time to be with their families, without the attendance of the Mighties who sacrificed their holidays to be at the Samelan, and the Home Bhenjis who worked from sunrise to sunset to take care of the children under their care, it would certainly be difficult and a huge challenge for the Sabha to come together to walk this path of serving the community.

The Sewadars at the Mighties programme were not interested in being referred to as leaders but as Sewaks, living a truthful journey in giving back to the community with the sole purpose of continuing to nurture these young children. Blessed are those who undertake this Sewa, year after year with Guru's grace.

10.5

Nikkey Khalsey:

The Annual Gurmat Parchaar Samelan 2018 was indeed a colourful event and we have the *Nikkey Khalsey* to thank for this. These vibrant little tykes were bursting with energy and enthusiasm, laced with cries for mummies, nap time and cuddle time.

The *Nikkey Khalsey* programme was started some years ago by a group of mothers who felt that there was a pressing need to create a comfortable space for little children who do not fit into the Mighty Khalsa age group.

Hence, these wonderful Sewadar mummies designed a timetable, planned and made sure these little gems were entertained with Sikhi songs, little prayers and lots of fun and playtime. Since then, a number of dedicated mothers (and now even dads) have been helping out with this noble Sewa.

A group of 40 *Nikkey Khalsey* registered for the Samelan. Some were there for the whole week while some came for a few days. Nonetheless, we had approximately 30 kids every day.

Our sessions were conducted from 19-23 December to give parents time to settle down on the first day of the Samelan. The mummies and daddies needed to prepare themselves too for a new experience. We never know how these children would react to a new environment, the sleeping arrangements, and the new faces that they would be seeing.

In understanding the needs of these little kids, SNSM saw the need of having an area gazzeted for *Nikkey Khalsey* for their classroom sessions as well as a suitable and most comfortable sleeping area. Therefore, two classrooms away from the daily on-goings of the Samelan were allocated. The toilets were nearby the classrooms. There was also a little open field for the kids to play and had their dorm next to their classrooms.

Just like earlier Samelans, the *Nikkey Khalsey* had their own Nishaan Sahib Selami sessions. The little Khalsey usually started their sessions at 8.30 in the morning, with attendance taking and prayer time, with their little hands folded, heads covered with colourful patkas and dupattas, and with their eyes closed and reciting the Mool Mantar ever so sincerely.

Nikkeyrobics with the Logistics Veerjis, accompanied with the dhol, was always the highlight for the day.

The little Khalsey also indulged in the tailored Inspirational sessions every day which were conducted by the likes of Veerji Sukhindarpal Singh, Veerji Raja, Bhenji Asees Kaur and Honey Veerji. These sessions were very fruitful because the message delivered was catered to their level of understanding and context. Every single Nikkey had the privilege of doing Chaur Sahib Sewa.

The day used to continue with sing-along sessions mainly with songs about our Guru Sahibs and Sikhi Songs. Bhenji Ajeet Kaur came in one of the days to sing along with the songs from the CD they had made. Art and Craft sessions were carried out daily in groups. Creativity was encouraged with little guidance from parents. It was indeed pleasing to see many fathers getting involved in the activities at the *Nikkeys*.

The little ones also had a chance to be chefs. Little hands made snacks and then served them to their parents during tea. Apart from that, the *Nikkeys* had a close-to-nature experience when they participated in a Nature Walk guided by Veerji Pardev.

The most awaited event for the Nikkeys was the water play, a whole-day event filled with frolicking and splashing in the sun, including a mini water gun fight. Fun is a crucial element in learning for little children and it was surely incorporated in the activities throughout the duration of the Samelan.

The session for the year was ended with a party held on 22 December, which was generously sponsored by the parents. Inflatables, pop-corn, and cotton candy were the highlights of the party. A fashion show by the adorable *Nikkeys* was also held, where they came on stage and paraded in their colourful *Banas*, suits and outfits with much poise. The art and crafts were given to the kids along with goodie bags.

These are our future generation who will be paving the path of Sikhi in the future. The Sabha would like to thank the parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles and helpers who took the initiative and made the effort to bring these children to the Annual Gurmat Parchaar Samelan 2018.

Friendships built among children, Bhenjis and Veerjis will for a long time be remembered and greeted with eager smiles, with parents helping each other in minding their children. These are moments captured in the *Nikkey Khalsey* experience.

All in all, it was a successful week with Guru Maharaj's Kirpa. It is HE who brought us together and guided us through the path of Sewa, love, prayer, giving and sharing.

10.6

Attendance:

Group	Total
Sewadar	256
Group A	43
Group B	76
Group C	108
Group D	92
Group E	41
Group F	35
Group G	27
Group H	17
Group I	18
Group J	21
Group N	38
Total	772

A total of 516 participants and 256 Sewadars attended the 55th Annual Gurmat Parchar Samelan. About 200 visitors were also present daily at the Samelan grounds.

10.7

Department/Sewa in Samelan

Langgar:

Food was prepared by a dedicated team of Sewadars with daily meals throughout the 7-day Samelan. Participants from the *Miri Piri* Group had a chance to do Langgar Sewa as part of their Jatha Sewa Matrix.

Utilities:

This Sewa included cleanliness of the entire premises, toilets, washrooms, dorms and the surrounding area. Participants were also responsible for the cleanliness of their own dorms. Participants from the *Miri Piri* Group took duties to do Utility Sewa as part of their Jatha Sewa Matrix.

Secretariat:

The secretariat team was in charge of the registration (before and during the course of the Samelan), donations and *daswand* collections. The team also worked with other departments to solve any administrative issues on a daily basis.

The Mighty Khalsa group was allocated its own secretariat to manage its programmes and activities. A classroom was allocated to the group for this purpose; to organise and plan the daily programmes.

Logistics:

The Samelan logistics team did their best to ensure a safe and working environment for the participants. Their dedication for this Sewa started weeks ahead before the Samelan. During the Samelan, they assisted wherever help was needed, including helping out in activities for the *Nikkay Khalsa*, Mighty Khalsa and *Miri Piri*, in transportation, in fetching and sending participants to the train station, in arranging dorms for participants and in providing other forms of assistance.

Darbar Sahib:

The Darbar Sahib team managed both the main Darbar Sahib and the Mighty Khalsa Darbar. In the main Darbar, the team ensured that the daily SGGs Ji parkash, Asa ki Vaar and Nitnem were conducted properly. The team further ensured that the Degh was prepared on time and that the cleanliness of the Darbar was prioritised.

Medical Bay:

A team of doctors, nurses and pharmacists provided the participants and Sewadars with the medical services. Every patient was attended to with care by the team of dedicated medical Sewadars who were present 24 hours.

Media:

The media team consisted of young Sewadars who are passionate about contributing to SNSM. They were in charge of photography, daily videos, live streaming of Kirtan programmes, recording and sharing the events at the Samelan on social media. The team covered all the activities for *Nikkay Khalsa*, Mighties, *Miri Piri* and others that were occurring on a daily basis. The team presented daily videos of key Samelan highlights to the participants every night. These videos were well received by the participants.

Security:

The security team did a wonderful job in controlling the incoming and outgoing visitors to the Samelan grounds. This is very important for the safety of the participants and Sewadars. This was facilitated by the team working 24 hours with rotating shifts.

Technical:

The technical team was responsible to maintain power supply to all the areas including both Darbar Sahibs, Langgar area, Classrooms, Dorms, Washrooms and the surrounding areas. They worked tirelessly around the clock to ensure that there were no power outages throughout the Samelan period.

10.8

SNSM was privileged and honoured to have Bhai Gurinder Singh Ji, Bhai Prithvipal Singh Ji and Bhai Ravi Singh Ji at the 2018 Annual Samelan. These esteemed Gursikhs shared their experience and knowledge with the participants.

- (i) Bhai Gurinder Singh Ji – commonly known as “*Sardar-E-PatialaShahi*”, who is famous for his *Dastar* tying and teaching ability. He has his own program channel that can be viewed in YouTube. Bhai Sahib Ji conducted a *Dastar* Clinic and demonstration at the Samelan for participants, Sewadars and visitors. The session was well received by the attendees.
- (ii) Bhai Prithvipal Singh Ji – horseman & archer; a man who’s *Khalsa Jeevan* is an inspiration to many around the world. His lifelong mission has been to promote the Sikh identity (bana) and Sikh values of tolerance, *rehat*, *sewa* and spirituality. Bhai Sahib is a true saint soldier. He established the Baba Ajit Singh *Gatka Akhara* over 30 years ago and is recognized as one of the leading *Gatka* Masters outside of India. Bhai Sahib has organized *Gatka* performances around the world and actively participates in archery competitions and horse riding.
- (iii) Ravi Singh Ji, founder of the international non-profit aid and relief organization, Khalsa Aid. A person who works day after day to improve the health and lives of people affected by poverty, war and natural disasters. The Samelan participants got the opportunity to hear his story in person. He has taken it upon himself to create a world that believes in equality and charity. Through Khalsa Aid, he has been reaching out to various corners of the Earth, helping those in need and in turn rekindling people’s trust in humanity. Ravi Singh Ji conducted a special engagement session with the Sewadars who benefited from his sharing of experiences in doing *Sewa* in many countries.

Jathedar of SNSM honoured the individuals with *sirapao* in the Main Darbar Sahib as a token of appreciation from the *Sanggat*.

SNSM invited the late Rishiwant Singh Ji’s family to a ceremony honouring this wonderful soul who was not just a great humanitarian but an example to all the youth. SNSM presented a video presentation of his life journey in the Main Darbar and Jathedar of SNSM presented a *sirapao* to Rishiwant Singh Ji’s father, Sardar Bhagwan Singh Ji.

10.9	<p><u>Special Samelan Project</u></p> <p>In collaboration with the 550th Prakash Dihara of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, SNSM collaborated with the participants in a special project. This was a landscape project where participants used bricks to form the words <i>Dhan Guru Nanak Dev Ji</i>. Miri Piri Participants teamed up to work on this project which can be noticed near a slope at the entrance to Khalsa Land.</p>
10.10	<p><u>Acknowledgement</u></p> <p>The Samelan Organising Committee and SNSM records its heartiest gratitude towards all the Gurdwaras, government officials, Sewadars and most importantly, the participants for making the Samelan, just like all the previous years, truly successful.</p>
11.0	<p><u>Fellowship Camp</u></p>
11.1	<p>Date: 2 – 5 Feb 2019</p> <p>Venue: Gurdwara Sahib Tanah Rata, Cameron Highlands</p> <p>This year 72 participants registered for the Fellowship Camp in Cameron Highlands. A bus and a van were chartered to transport the participants to the Gurdwara Sahib Tanah Rata. About 15 <i>Sewadars</i> helped in the preparation of <i>Langgar</i>, logistics and various other <i>Sewa</i>.</p> <p><u>Awareness Talks:</u></p> <p>Dr Tiran Kaur, conducted a session on HIV & Sexually Transmitted Diseases. She advised the participants to take precautions, always be alert and know the risks involved. She encouraged the participants to reflect on <i>Gurbani</i> and how Guruji has given clear directions to stay away from social ills and problems. The participants enjoyed this session as it was very interactive and had open discussions.</p> <p>Veer Harcharanjit Singh (Raja) gave a talk on the Malaysian Legal Law on social media, sexual harassment and other issues pertaining to social problems in the community. It was a very interactive session and participants were enlightened about their rights and the corresponding Malaysian laws. Raja Veerji also conducted a session on Sikhi, <i>Bringing Guru Nanak in our lives</i>. The participants shared their views and were enlightened about the greatness of Sikhi and Guru Nanak.</p> <p><u>Outdoor Activities:</u></p> <p>1. <u>Amazing Race</u></p> <p>All the participants took part in the Amazing Race organised by the Fellowship Team. The aim of this activity was to instil teamwork. Stations were set up in Tanah Rata town itself. The participants were assigned to <i>Jathas</i> and had to work together as a team to complete a task assigned to their group. They had to move from one station to another. This activity took about five (5) hours to complete. The participants really enjoyed the activities.</p> <p>2. <u>Jungle Trekking</u></p> <p>This year it was a different experience for the participants as they did an evening/night jungle walk which took them a few hours to complete. They were back to the Gurdwara at 11.00 pm. The trekking experts followed and guided the participants throughout the trekking session. The</p>

	<p>experience was amazing and very different from the previous years. The participants learned team work and survival skills. Although it was exhausting, the night jungle trekking was an unforgettable experience for the participants.</p> <p>The 4-day camp brought the participants closer. They also participated in the IPS sessions, daily <i>Japji/Rehraas Path</i> and <i>Sewa</i>. Many were looking forward to participate in the camp next year.</p>
12.0	<u>Grand Vaisakhi Event</u>
12.1	<p>Venue: Gurdwara Sahib Sentul Date: 4 - 7 April 2019</p> <p>The 2019 Annual Vaisakhi Event was held at Gurdwara Sahib Sentul over four (4) days with <i>Kirtan/Katha Darbar</i> and many other activities. The <i>Sanggat</i> who attended the event enjoyed the melodious <i>Kirtan</i> and <i>Katha</i> sessions, and were served Guru Ka Langgar on all four days. The turnout was overwhelming for the <i>semagam</i>.</p> <p><u>Highlights of the program:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Kirtan and Katha by renowned Ragis and Parcharaks. (ii) Amrit Sanchar on 7 April. (iii) Tea Party for Children (Pony ride, Clown, Petting Zoo, Games, Fireworks Display, Magician and Food Stalls) on 6 April. (iv) Turban Tying Workshop by Himmat Singh, Turban Centre Amritsar Punjab from 4-7 April (v) Balak Kirtan. (vi) Honouring Excellent Students -High Achievers Awards on 7 April: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) UPSR = 13 students, b) PT3 = 17 students c) SPM & IGCSE = 7 students d) STPM & A Levels = 3 students <p>(Presented with a Certificate and cash for their achievements)</p> (vii) Youth Talk – <i>Future Trends in Education</i> targeted at Form 3 and Form 4 students. This informative session covered the jobs to look out for in the future and what would be the kind of courses that one can pursue to meet the future. This talk was facilitated by Jagmohan Singh from Taylor’s University and Taranjeet Singh. (viii) Turban Tying Demo and Clinic by Veer Gurinder Singh (Youtuber – Sardar E Patiala Shahi). He demonstrated the various styles of turban tying. (ix) Punjabi Bazaar.
12.2	<p>Vasakhi Kirtan/Parchar Tours</p> <p>SNSM continued with the Kirtan/Parchar Tours from 7-16 April 2019. Renowned <i>Kirtanis</i> did <i>Kirtan</i> at various Gurdwaras across the country.</p>
13.0	<u>Bhai Mardana Sangeet Festival</u>
13.1	<p>Date: 28 July 2018 Time: 5.00 pm – 11.30 pm Venue: Gurdwara Sahib Selayang</p> <p>Date: 13 October 2018 Time: 5.00 pm – 11.30 pm Venue: Gurdwara Sahib Titiwangsa</p>

13.2	<p>The BMSF project was started with the primary mission to promote young and upcoming musical talents, by providing a grand stage for them to perform kirtan, as well as to enhance cooperation amongst the youth serving under various Sikh organisations in the country.</p> <p>For BMSF 2018, two Kirtan Darbars were organised, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) BMSF 2018 @ GS Selayang Baru on 28 July (ii) BMSF 2018 @ GS Titiwangsa on 13 October <p>The Kirtan Darbars ran from 5.00 pm until 11.30 pm. As many as 18 <i>Kirtan Jathas</i>, including those from Seremban, Ipoh, Butterworth and Singapore, participated in the two Darbars and mesmerised the <i>Sanggat</i> with their talent and passion for singing <i>Gurbani Kirtan</i> using various styles and instruments.</p> <p>The Darbars were well-attended, and both the “<i>Sanggat</i>” and organising committee were supportive of the initiative to provide a grand stage for the local youth to showcase their best. In addition, tea parties for children and midnight food stalls were organised during the Kirtan Darbars.</p> <p>We would like to thank all sponsors, Gurdwara Management Committee Members and sponsors for their support towards making the BMSF 2018 events a success.</p>
14.0	<u>Amrit Sanchar</u>
14.1	<p>The <i>Amrit Sanchar Jatha</i> organised <i>Amrit Sanchar</i> ceremonies where blessed members of the <i>Sanggat</i> heeded the call of our Guruji at the following venues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gurdwara Sahib Melaka • Gurdwara Sahib Tatt Khalsa Diwan • Annual Samelan at Khalsa Land, KKB
15.0	<u>Har Har Naam Samagam</u>
15.1	<p>Date : 16 -20 January 2019</p> <p>Venue : Gurdwaras in the Klang Valley</p> <p>This Kirtan programme was held in the Gurdwaras in the Klang Valley in conjunction with the 550 Years <i>Parkash Dihara</i> of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The participating Gurdwaras were GS Petaling Jaya, GS Dharamsala, Sabha House and GS Titiwangsa.</p> <p>This event saw several <i>Kirtan Jathas</i> connecting the <i>Sanggat</i> with melodious and inspiring <i>Kirtan</i>. The <i>Jathas</i> were hosted at the Sabha House throughout the programme.</p> <p>The turnout at the Gurdwaras was encouraging and the <i>Sanggat</i> appreciated the Kirtan.</p>
16.0	<u>Khalsa Land, Kuala Kubu Bharu - International Sikh Centre (ISC)</u>
16.1	<p><u>Team Members:</u></p> <p><u>Sewadars</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Amarjit Singh (ii) Harnarinder Singh (Harry)

- (iii) Gian Singh
- (iv) Gurcharan Singh
- (v) Dalbir Singh
- (vi) Balwant Singh
- (vii) Harbinder Singh
- (viii) Satvinder Singh
- (ix) Jasbir Singh (Klang)
- (x) Raminder Kaur
- (xi) Naginder Singh
- (xii) Mahan Singh
- (xiii) Mohinder Singh Selayang
- (xiv) Devinder Singh Sandakan
- (xv) Sarjit Singh KKB (ex-Police)
- (xvi) Gurmeet Singh (Farmer)
- (xvii) Sarjit Singh Naura – Manager + 3 Workers (Desi Veerjis)

16.2

ISC Progress Overview

1. Over the last 12-month period, the ISC Team Members together with the other *ad-hoc* Sewadars made regular weekly visits to Khalsa Land to oversee the maintenance and smooth running of the overall site, including the carrying out of various greening activities.
2. More than 90 new trees were planted during the said period, bringing the total number of trees planted at Khalsa Land to more than 300 trees. With the help of the ISC Team members, the new trees were planted at the car park area near the entrance, and around the future site of the Senior Citizen Village and the Darbar Sahib area. Sardar Manwant Singh of RIM Nursery provided 60 of the trees that were planted at Khalsa Land. The month of June was designated as a tree planting month, during which the ISC Team Members planned a visit and hired a backhoe for a day, and prepared the planting holes and planted the 60 shade and flowering trees at various locations. Another round of planting was carried out towards the end of June.
3. In addition, more than 30 seedlings of various fruit trees were purchased, which included Dukong, Ciku, Limau Kasturi, Rambutan, Musang King Durian and Papaya. A number of agricultural tools were also bought, which included a steel pruner, a bow saw, a hose and hose-joints.
4. As for the football field area, a number of bare patches (without grass) were observed and action was taken to rectify the situation. About half of the field was cordoned-off and replanted with fresh cow grass. The field was later sprayed with Super-lime and a week later, the NPK fertilizer was applied on the entire field. Since then, the grass has started to grow beautifully.
5. Under the tree canopy shade at the back of the classrooms, Sardar Naginder Singh and Sardar Balwant Singh installed a number of rope-swings which can be used by both visitors and participants alike at Khalsa Land.

6. A Vetiver grass nursery that was started by Mahan Singh sometime back had grown in size. More than 10 shoots were planted which have now grown to a height of 6 to 7 feet. It is observed that more than 30 shoots can be obtained from a single full-grown shoot. These shoots will now be planted on steep slopes to prevent soil erosion and landslides.
7. About seven trees that were posing a danger to the classrooms were felled in early 2019. There was always a risk of old branches falling on the roof of the classrooms whenever strong winds blew.
8. A portable welding set with accessories and spares was purchased by Sardar Naginder Singh to be used by the Sewadars for small works and repairs. During one of the visits to Khalsa Land, Sardar Balwant Singh demonstrated the use of the welding set to the Sewadars. Using the set, the metal doors to the children's playground and kitchen were repaired.
9. In January 2019, a honey bee farm was started as a private initiative by one of the Naujawans, Mheny Singh, who has good experience rearing bees for honey production. Depending on a number of factors, it is envisaged that the honey can be harvested by the end of the year. With bees being effective pollinators, fruit yields from the trees planted at Khalsa Land are expected to increase considerably. Overall, the start-up is looking promising. It must be noted that the entire bee farm project is a private initiative & is financed by its owners.
10. KKB Councillor, YB Lee Kee Hiong, had approved an allocation of RM 20,000 towards the cost of installing an additional 5,000-gallon water storage tank at Khalsa Land. As the installation cost was RM 30,000, the balance of RM 10,000 was borne by the Sabha. The water storage tank was installed by a local contractor in mid-December 2018. The contribution by YB Lee is very much appreciated & this is the third year that she had allocated a sum of RM 20,000 to Khalsa Land.

16.3

Key events held at Khalsa Land

Over the 12-month period, a total of 26 key events were held. Nevertheless, the Annual Gurmat Parchaar Samelan, the biggest youth event in Malaysia, was still the main attraction in 2018. The many camps and mini Samelans had a lot of variety for the Naujawans to participate actively. Listed below is the summary of the key events held:

Month	Date & Day	Duration	Event	Total Participants & Sewadars
	1 st Tuesday	1 day	Family Retreat (Gurbachan Singh Serendah)	25
	5 th Sat – 6 th Sun	1 night 2 days	Sangeet Academy Visitors	5
	19 th Sat – 20 th Sun	1 night 2 days	Fellowship Youth Hiking Activity	30
	8 th Fri – 10 th Sun	2 nights 3 days	Kamayee (Bhagti) Camp	22

	14 th Thu – 17 th Sun	3 nights 4 days	Seremban & Klang Youth Camp	100
	23 rd Sat	½ day	Shukrana Jodh-Mela by family from Bentong	25
	13 th Fri – 15 th Sun	2 nights 3 days	Annual Akhand Paath & SGGGS Ji Kirtan Academy Outing	50
	20 th Fri – 22 nd Sun	2 nights 3 days	Enkaurage Retreat	65
	11 th Sat	1 day	Family Retreat from KL	30
	18 th Sat	1 day	MSPAEE (Super Bikers) Event	100
	31 st Aug – 2 nd Sept	2 nights 3 days	Adventure Camp	24
	7 th Fri – 10 th Mon	2 nights 3 days	Gurmat Gian Sardari Camp	55
	14 th Fri – 17 th Mon	3 nights 3 days	Akaal Camp	60
October	-	-	No camps / Mini Samelans	-
November	7 th Fri – 8 th Sat	1 night 1 day	Jodh Mela by family from Puchong	20
	14 th Fri	½ day	Muhibah Primary School Visit (non-Sikhs)	40
	14 th Fri – 16 th Sun	2 nights 3 days	SNSM Akhand Paath	60
	16 th Sun – 22 nd Sat	6 nights 6 days	Annual Gurmat Parchaan Samelan	850
	13 th Sun	1 night 1 day	Jodh-mela - Parkash SG Gobind Singh Ji	25
	26 th Sat – 27 th Sun	2 nights 2 days	Kalgidhar Patshah Cup 2019 – tournaments	100
	1 st Fri – 5 th Tue	4 nights 5 days	Selayang Youths & Parents (WWW 8.0)	170
	22 nd Fri – 24 th Sun	2 nights 3 days	Kamayee (Bhagti) Camp	30
	2 nd Sat – 3 rd Sun	1 night 2 days	Gur Pervaar Camp (Dasmesh School)	60
	8 th Fri – 10 th Sun	2 nights 3 days	Kamayee (Bhagti) Camp	27
	23 rd Sat – 24 th Sun	1 night 2 days	SGGS Sangeet Academy Family Camp	70

	April	14 th Sun	½ day	Vasakhi Jodh-Mela Celebrations (Visit by YB Lee Kee Hiong – Councillor KKB).	60
		19 th Fri – 21 st Sun	2 nights 3 days	Akhand Paath by Family	50
16.4	<p>Punjabi Education Centre (PEC – Khalsa Land)</p> <p>The PEC Khalsa Land was started six years ago and follows the syllabus and curriculum as per the Education Centre Trust Malaysia (Ipoh). Towards the end of 2018, the Centre had 13 students with two teachers. However, older students have ‘graduated’ and beginning 2019, only seven students and one teacher remained. The Punjabi classes are held every Sunday evening from 2.30 to 5.30pm.</p>				
16.5	<p><u>PROGRESS ON PHASE 1 DEVELOPMENT OF ISC Project</u></p> <p>The core focus for the last 12 months was to finalize and obtain the approval of the authorities for the Revised Layout Plan, incorporating the following infrastructure development of Phase 1 of the ISC Project: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Multipurpose hall b) TNB Substation c) Elevated Water Tank d) Localized sewerage system e) Manager’s Quarters f) Roads and Drainage System <p>The Revised Layout Plan was re-drawn by Planner Basant Singh and, together with the new land titles, was submitted to the KKB Land Office for its review and approval.</p> <p>The Revised Layout Plan encompassed the siting of the access road, the realignment of the Multi-Purpose Hall [MPH], water tank and TNB Substation, and the incorporation of the Manager’s quarters. The Land Office approval was obtained on 28 May 2019 & on the June 3 2019, all the documentation was physically submitted to the One Stop Centre (OSC) at the Majlis Daerah Hulu Selangor (MDHS) to obtain the final approval for the Revised Layout Plan.</p> <p>Rather than building the main sewerage plant at the entrance, the committee felt that a localized sewerage system will be easy to maintain and the cost to build one will be much lower. The civil engineer Ir. Baljit Singh was requested to prepare the localized sewerage system and submit to IWK for review and approval. The approval was obtained in February 2019.</p> <p>At the same time the layout of the TNB substation was finalized by Ir. Inderjit Singh Purba, and submitted to TNB Rawang for review and approval. The concept approval was given in March 2019.</p> <p>As of end May 2019, the architect had prepared the building plans for the MPH and Manager’s Quarters subject to final review and approval by the Sabha Team.</p> <p>Once the approval for the Revised Layout Plan has been obtained, the implementation of Phase 1 can commence, subject to adequate funds being available.</p>				

	<p>An aggressive fund raising campaign has now to be launched to raise the required Phase 1 funds of RM 3.1 Million. With WaheGuru Ji's Grace and the cooperation of the entire Sikh "Sangat" and Sikh diaspora worldwide, we are hopeful that the required RM 3.1 Million can be raised to allow for the successful completion of the Phase 1 development work.</p>
17.0	<u>Sabha Shoppe</u>
17.1	<p>The Sabha Shoppe continued to be set up and had been operational at all the major Sikh events, including at the Annual Gurmat Parchaar Samelan, Vaisakhi Programs and Melaka Samagam. The Sabha Shoppe carries a variety of books on Sikhi and the Punjabi Language, both in Gurmukhi and English, specifically for children. Also made available are <i>gutkas</i>, <i>amrit Kirtan gutkas</i>, and <i>kakkaars</i>.</p> <p>SNSM has completed a stock clearance of the old books to make space for new items. The EXCO has decided to focus on books for children and the <i>kakkaars</i>.</p>
18.0	<u>Sabha Hostel</u>
18.1	<p>Sabha had been sourcing for tenants to take up the building as it is. The EXCO had proposed to lease at a favourable and reasonable rate per month. Meanwhile, Sabha has two tenants staying there, one is a widowed ailing mother and her special child daughter, and the other is a family caring for them. Efforts are being made to place the ailing mother and daughter into a proper home.</p>
19.0	<u>enKAURage</u>
19.1	<p><u>Programmes & Activities</u></p> <p><u>EnKAURage Retreat 2018</u></p> <p>Date: 20-22 July (Friday 6.00 pm - Sunday 1.00 pm)</p> <p>Venue: Khalsa Land, KKB</p> <p>Total participants: 38</p> <p><u>Organising Team:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balvvin Kaur • Malvinder Kaur • Nirvair Kaur • Harpreet Kaur • Ekankar Kaur • Harpreet Kaur • Prabhjeet Kaur • Simranjit Kaur • Manpreet Kaur • Sundershaanth Kaur • Balkiran Kaur • Sarabjit Kaur • Rene Kaur

Objectives:

- To ensure our sisters are aware of their surroundings in various situations at all times.
- To raise awareness of day to day dangers faced by women.
- To create a safe space for our sisters to engage in a discussion, developing a sisterhood and reassuring them that there is always support for them despite anything.

Speakers:

- Ravinder Kaur (Phenji Ravi)-Hormones Rule
- Satwinder Kaur (Phenji Sitae)-Mental Aspect of a woman's life.
- Shiren Kaur & Dr Sharan-Grooming
- Manjit Kaur-Night Under The Stars (Heart to Heart)
- Jaswinder Kaur-Knock Knock Who's There.
- Gur Simran Kaur-Mother eARTh (Art session)

Overview:

Friday

The registration began at 6.00 pm, and was followed by Rehraas and Semapthi by 7.00 pm. The participants began their first session with the ice breaker (Punjabi Whisper) that was led by Bhen Prabhjeet Kaur. The objective of the game was to get the girls to develop *communication skills as well as listening skills*, at the same time not forgetting to have some fun.

After the ice breaker session, the participants watched a movie entitled *Pink*. The movie aimed to raise awareness of the girls' surroundings and the dangers that are prone to be faced in different situations.

Saturday

The participants recited the Japji Sahib in the early morning, which was followed by the Aerobics session. The first session for the day began at 9.00 am and was led by Ravinder Kaur (Phenji Ravi) with the topic on *Hormones Rule*. The session was to make known to the girls that their active decision making is affected by their very own hormones, specifically as to how they see other men in their lives as possible partners. The participants then engaged in discussions on what they as women look for in their partners and how their decisions and actions today can possibly affect their future. The presentation was broken down into the following:

- S - Spiritual
- I - Intelligent
- E - Emotional
- P - Physical
- P – Playful

The girls were then grouped and provided with some magazines and mahjong paper, so that they could list down their version of SIEPP, which they then shared with each other. Phenji Ravi summed up the session with a beautiful line from SGGS Ji, *Man Jeetay Jag Jeet*.

The second session was led by Satwinder Kaur (Phenji Sitae) on the *mental aspect of a woman's life*. She started off the session by taking the girls for a 5-minute power walk, allowing them to connect with themselves and to get them centered. She continued her session by discussing how the brain functions, how we react to certain situations, and how our mind conquers our emotions (depression, anxiety).

The third session on *grooming in terms of image branding and body care* was conducted by Bhen Shiren Kaur and Dr. Sharan Kaur. The entire session was interactive and hands-on, discussing various day-to-day issues like body posture (how you sit and stand), intonation (tone of language), and body odour (whether you have it or not, how to approach someone who does have it). The last part of the session was mainly on skin care, dividing the girls according to their specific skin type (dry, oily and sensitive), and getting them to make and try natural scrubs and masks. This turned out to be a full hands-on spa session.

In the evening, the girls had their team building activity, which was *Capture The Flag*. They were divided into two groups and taken into the *battle field*. *Capture The Flag* in brief is when two teams go head to head to capture each other's flags while protecting their own. In a normal game, each team will have one flag to catch and one to protect. However, in this game, there was a twist where each of the teams had to protect four flags and capture four flags. Before the battle began, the girls prepared themselves using face paint and ribbons, as well as came up with their own war cry.

The main purpose of the game was team work and strategy, in terms of how one would protect something so precious to herself (in this case, the flags) and how it can relate to real life when it comes to helping and protecting each other as sisters.

After *Rehraas* and *Kirtan*, Phenji Bhavbhanjan shared a few stories about prominent figures in our panth, like Mata Kiwi Ji, as well as, explained how *Gurbani* highlights the importance of woman through various shabads, i.e. *Bandh Jamiye Bhandh Nimeye*.

The final session of the day was *The Night Under The Stars* (Heart to Heart) with Phenji Manjit Kaur from Singapore, which was facilitated by Phenji Sithae. A safe and open space was developed through the day amongst the girls allowing them to know that this is a platform for them to share their feelings and thoughts without having the fear of being judged or condemned. The session began with let loose, followed by a sharing session.

The girls discussed various interesting issues like:

- Sexual Harassment
- Family Issues (single parents/divorce)
- Sexuality (LGBTQ)
- Inferior Complexity (how they look)
- Pressure (family, friends, peers)

By the end of the session, all the questions placed in the heart-to-heart box were answered. Finally, to wrap up the session each and every girl (including the facilitators) shared one thing they loved about themselves and one thing they wish to see improved over time.

Sunday

After reciting the Japji Sahib early in the morning, the girls started off the day with a special session entitled *Mother eARTH* that was led by Gur Simran Kaur, Nirvair Kaur and Balkiran Kaur. The girls went out to collect twigs, dried leaves, and pebbles for them to use as templates for

their affirmation cards/reminders. They were provided with an art block, paint, markers, stings etc., and were given the freedom to write whatever they wished on these items.

The final session for the entire camp was led by Phenji Jaswinder entitled *Knock Knock who's there*, who took the girls through a journey, starting from the time of Guru Nanak Dev Ji right up to Guru Gobind Singh Ji, explaining how each Guru provided us with a value/trait that we all carry as Daughters of Sikhi. She reminded the girls how their spiritual being is a ray of the mind (translated from the Sanskrit word- HU+MAN), and how we sometimes need to knock on our chests to remind ourselves how powerful and bountiful we are. The session ended with the chanting of *May The Long Time Sun Shine Upon You*.

In wrapping up the camp, the participants had a small chanting session singing *Rakhe Rakhanhaar*, which reminded the girls yet again of their strength and ability to conquer anything before them. Each girl was given a care package consisting of a pocket sized *Japji Sahib Gutka*, *Rakheya Shabad (Rakhe Rakhanhaar & Ajai Alai)*, Eye mask, and a bottle of Bath & Body Works lotion.

19.2

EnKAURage Hi-Tea 2019

Date: 16 February
Venue: Tasty Chapati, Petaling Jaya
Time: 3.00 – 6.00 pm
No. of attendees: 50

Organising Team:

- Balvvin Kaur
- Malvinder Kaur
- Harpreet Kaur
- Ekankar Kaur
- Harpreet Kaur
- Simranjit Kaur
- Sundershaanth Kaur
- Nirvair Kaur

Overview:

On 16 February, a total of 50 girls from different walks of life gathered at the Tasty Chapati Restaurant in Petaling Jaya, to celebrate sisterhood and encourage some networking. Since its revival, this was the second activity that enKAURage had conducted.

The event started with simple ice breakers, to get the interacting going. The ice breakers (the Longest String) were conducted by Sundershaanth Kaur, where the girls were asked to share something about themselves so as to build a connection between each one of them.

After the ice breakers, the girls indulged in the scrumptious food prepared by Tasty Chapati. The girls were given time to walk around and get to know each other before they continued with other prepared games.

The next game, conducted by Sundershaanth as well, was *Pictionary using tea leaves*. This got the girls to work together to complete the given task. Overall, the organisers were able to reach out to the girls and got them to enjoy themselves and open up. The event ended with the taking of group pictures and a message from the head of enKAURage, Bhen Balvvin Kaur.

	<p>EnKAURage has now successfully built its page so as to reach out to as many girls as possible. Through the feedback received from some of the girls, enKAURage is more than encouraged to carry out more of such activities, and this has boosted the confidence of enKAURage on how its impact has worked so far on the lives of some of the girls.</p>																
20.0	<u>Nishkam Sewa</u>																
20.1	<p>The Nishkam Sewa division provides assistance to needy families and individuals throughout the country. This Sewa is still being carried out by a team of SNSM Sewadars and another volunteer group. This project is to identify the hard core poor within the Sikh community in Malaysia and to ensure that they have the basic needs like shelter, food and medical assistance. This project also supplies monthly provision based on the family size and income.</p> <p>The Sewadars in charge of this Sewa serve selflessly and do their best to ensure the recipients are truly in need of help.</p>																
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	<u>National Punjabi Bhasha Mela 2018</u>																
	<p>Prepared a Northern Region Team for this event which was held from 9-10 June 2018 at APU, Bukit Jalil. The Northern Region Team was a joint effort by PECs from Sungai Petani, Butterworth and Bayan Baru.</p>																
	<u>Gurmat Parchar Annual Samelan 2018</u>																
	<p>A number of Sewadars and youth from Kedah participated in the Gurmat Parchar Annual Samelan which was held at the KKB Khalsa Land in December of 2018.</p>																

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In conjunction with the Vaisakhi celebrations, SNSM Kedah Branch and SNSM Penang Branch jointly organised Kirtan Darbar for Northern Region Gurdwaras. Ragi Jathas Bhai Mohinder Singh Delhi Waley, Bhai Dharamjeet Singh Ludhiana Waley, Bhai Tanveet Singh Chandigarh Waley, Kathakar Bhai Jagjeet Singh Jachak took part in this event.

SNSM Johor**EXCO Members**

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 Vice President: Ahsmrit Singh
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- (i) Roshan Singh
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- (iv) Manmit Kaur
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- (vi) Gurpal Kaur
- (vii) Prithpal Singh
- (viii) Sunil Singh
- (ix) Keshminder Singh
- (x) Eshvinder Singh

Program & Activities

Once a month	Naujawan Kirtan Darbar was held once a month. The Diwan was organised and carried out by the local Naujawans, while the Langgar was organised by GSJB.
Every Friday	Naujawan Simran Diwan is held weekly on Friday evenings at GSJB. Langgar organised by GSJB.
9 September 2018	Sikh Tsunami 550 Program at GSJB.
12 October 2018	Kirtan tour by SNSM (Penang Branch) was held in conjunction with Prakash Dihara Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji at GSJB.
1 December 2018	One-day camp with Basics of Sikhi Malaysia - <i>Guru Gobind Singh ji, His family and their sacrifice.</i>
8 December 2018	Youth 'Cha & Chat' dialogue session- JB Sikh Naujawan Transformation 1.0
9 February 2019	'Youth Outreach Programme' – Visit to orphanage home - Villa Paulos JB. About 20 youths joined in for this programme. The home has about 30 children. Our Naujawans took time out to play interactive games with the kids and a heart to heart session with them.
6 February 2019	'Gurbani Song for the Soul' Sikhi Session for Mighties and Naujawans.
16 February 2019	'Valentine's with Guruji' Kirtan Darbar.
23 February 2019	Vaisakhi Gurmat Competition at GSJB, which consisted of <i>Sakhi, Kavita and Path</i> reading for all ages. 40 children took part in this competition.
24 March 2019	Vasakhi Indoor Games Competition was held at GSJB. The Naujawans organised chess, checkers, ping pong, carom, musical chairs, statue dance for the children.

21.3

SNSM Perak

Activities & Programs

Taiping Mini Samelan 2018

The Taiping Mini Samelan was organised by the Youth Division of SNSM Perak Branch which was led by Penji Premjit Kaur, and the Committee of Gurdwara Sahib Taiping. It was held from 15-17 June. About 110 participants from Ipoh, Taiping and Penang participated in the Samelan. The participants were taken to Maxwell Hill, Taiping for the Amazing Race activity on the second day of the Samelan.

Sungai Siput Mini Samelan 2018

The Sungai Siput Mini Samelan was organised by the Youth Division of SNSM Perak Branch which was led by Veer Sukdave Singh and Veer Sandeep Singh, and the Committee of Gurdwara Sahib Sungai Siput. The Samelan was held from 2-4 November and was attended by about 50 participants from Ipoh and Penang.

Changkat Mini Samelan 2019

The Changkat Mini Samelan was organised by the Youth Division of SNSM Perak Branch which was led by Veer Sukdave Singh and Veer Sandeep Singh, and the Committee of Gurdwara Sahib Changkat, Batu Gajah. It was held from 29-31 March. About 50 participants from Ipoh, Penang and Batu Gajah attended the Samelan.

Vasakhi Tour by SNSM Perak Woman's Division

The Woman's Division organised a Vasakhi Yatra to Gurdwaras in the Northern Region, visiting Gurdwaras in Taiping, Parit Buntar, Bagan Serai, Butterworth, Prai and Penang, and doing Kirtan wherever given the opportunity. The total cost of the bus and snacks/water, and accommodation at the Taiping Sentosa Resort was covered by the participants on the trip. The RM1,000.00 received from SNSM was given away as donation to all the Gurdwaras visited on behalf of the SNSM Perak Branch.

The Woman's Division also had a very enjoyable and successful Vasakhi Tour, the fourth so far, to various Gurdwaras in Perak and Penang from 29-31 March 2019. 44 ladies gathered at the Wadda Gurdwara Ipoh and did an Ardas to begin their journey. They did darshan of 10 Gurdwaras during the tour.

Mother's Day

SNSM Perak Branch, along with the Isteri Satsang of Wadda Gurdwara Ipoh and Sikhmai, organised a high tea for mothers to celebrate Mother's Day at the Wadda Gurdwara hall. There were activities for all ages ranging from accompanying school children to the elders above 70 years old. Three Mother's Day cakes were cut and a variety of food was served with tea and mango lassi.

50 prizes were given away in the lucky draw. More than 250 ladies attended the function.

Cleaning-up of SNSM Perak Branch House

Veer Sukdave Singh and Veer Sandeep Singh together with a few youths helped to clean up the compound of the SNSM Perak Branch House. The overgrown trees and weeds in the compound of the building were cut and removed. The rooms and office were also cleaned and tidied up.

New Year Eve Programme

The programme was organised by the SNSM Perak Branch and supported by the Wadda Gurdwara Ipoh in conjunction with the New Year "*Neva Saal Guru Ji De Naal*" on 31 December 2018 from 6.30 pm – 12.00 midnight. The Sanggat came from all over to celebrate this program.

Sikh Tsunami 550

SNSM Perak organised a bus for its Sanggat to travel to Kuala Lumpur for the Sikh Tsunami 550 programme held at the Gurdwara Sahib Tatt Khalsa. The bus was fully sponsored by the SNSM Perak Branch.

Welfare Division

With Guruji's Blessings and *Kirpa*, the Welfare Division has been able to sustain and support needy families over the last 12 months. The donations and contributions from all the well-wishers had helped the Sabha to support these families.

SNSM Perak Branch had helped six needy families. Four of the families were given cash aid to fulfil their needs, while the remaining two families were given ration aid.

Not forgetting the importance of the Maa Boli, the SNSM Perak Branch also took the initiative to provide free transport to students to learn the Punjabi Language at the Guru Nanak School, Ipoh. The Sewa would not have been sustained if not for the help and support of the Sanggat and donors. The Daswand that they had contributed towards the welfare fund had been utilized effectively.

The SNSM Perak Branch would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one who had contributed to the Welfare Division and helped the Division to extend a helping hand to the needy.

The SNSM Perak Branch is hopeful that more donors would come forward and contribute in order for the Branch to help more needy families.

SNSM Penang Branch

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Activities and Programmes

The 55th Annual Gurmat Parchaar Samelan 2018 (16-22 December 2018) which was held at the Khalsa Land, KKB was attended by 60-80 participants and *Sewadars* from the Northern Region. The SNSM Penang Branch chartered a bus for the *Sanggat* to attend the event. The participants included those from Penang Island, Butterworth, Kulim and Sungai Petani.

The SNSM Penang Branch and Wadda Gurdwara Sahib Penang held their New Year's Eve Grand Kirtan Darbar programme at the Wadda Gurdwara Sahib Penang on 31 December 2018. Many youths were given the opportunity to participate in this programme.

The 28th Penang Gurmat Mini Samelan 2019 was held on 2-5 February at the new Gurdwara Sahib Butterworth. Participants included a bus-load each from Kuala Lumpur, Ipoh and the Northern area (Sg. Petani, Kulim and Butterworth), and a few from Taiping.

About 230 participants and Sewadars attended the Gurmat Mini Samelan. The participants had lots of fun with IPS *Kirtan*, Social and *Gurmat* classes, games such as futsal, and delicious *Langgar* prepared by the Sewadars.

Youth Kirtan Darbar

This effort by the SNSM Penang Branch was aimed at bringing more and more local *Kirtanis* together. The youths were given the opportunity to participate and do *Kirtan* in weekly programs, which were held in the evenings at the various Gurdwaras.

The Youth Kirtan Darbar was held every Mondays at the Wadda Gurdwara Sahib, Penang. This programme was started way back in November 2016.

The Youth Kirtan Darbar was held every Thursday at Gurdwara Sahib Butterworth, Penang. This program was also started in November 2016, and with Guru's blessings had continued throughout 2018 and 2019.

The Youth Kirtan Darbar at the Police Gurdwara Sahib, Penang was held once a month on Fridays. This program was started in 2018.

SNSM Penang Branch in collaboration with USM Sikh Student's Society (KEEP CALM & HIKE)

This event was held on 25 November 2018 and was regarded as a very successful event where 51 participants from the age of 4 to 60 took part in the hike to Pantai Keracut. It was an inspiring time for all the *Naujawns* and *Sanggat* from all the Gurdwaras in Penang.

On 7 July 2018, the SNSM Penang Branch participated in the *Potential Street Festival* with the Georgetown World Heritage. The Branch's street activity was to teach the participants on how to make *capati* and to show them how to tie the dastaar (turban). The booth that was set up was full with spectators from all walks of life. The event gave the SNSM Penang Branch maximum exposure to all the other communities about the Sikh faith.

On 13 July 2018, the SNSM Penang Branch in a joint venture with the Georgetown World Heritage organised a site excursion to learn about the Sikh community and religious beliefs. The media was present during this event and people of all faiths had a chance to visit the Gurdwara Sahib and learn about Sikhi. The event was held at the Gurdwara Sahib Polis, Penang.

Vaisakhi Kirtan Darbar event was held on 31 March-5 April 2019 by the SNSM Penang Branch with the cooperation of a number of Gurdwaras.

On 5 April 2019, a Grand Youth *Vaisakhi Kirtan Darbar* was held at the GS Police, Penang.

On 11 April 2019, a Grand Youth *Vaisakhi Kirtan Darbar* was held at the GS Butterworth.

Many local and international *Raagi Jathas* did *Kirtan* at these events.

The Sabha Shoppe, Penang which was stated in 2017 continued to serve where the *Sanggat* can purchase *gurmat* items.

Nishkam Sewa of the SNSM Penang Branch continued to provide *Rashaan* to five needy families in Penang (only facilitates the distribution and helps to make payments for the *Nishkam Sewa*). This *Sewa* has continued into 2019.

Distribution of *Gutkey* - SNSM Penang Branch distributed free *Gutkey* (NITNEM & Sukhmani Sahib path) to all the 13 Gurdwaras in the Northern Region and the local *Sanggat*. At the same time we collect all old and torn *Gutkey's* for the next *Agen Peth Sewa*. This *Sewa* of distributing *Gutkeys* has continued to 2019

Appreciation - Cooperation with Gurdwaras and other Sikh Organisations

The Sabha continued to work cordially with all Gurdwaras and Sikh Societies in promoting goodwill and unity. The Sabha continued to assist Gurdwaras and Sikh organisations, where possible, on all matters relating to Parchar and Youth (Samelans, Kirtan Darbar and educational workshops).

SNSM extends its appreciation and goodwill to the following agencies and organisations for their kind cooperation and assistance rendered to the Sabha:

- Government of Malaysia, particularly the Ministry of Youth and Sports; Local and State Government bodies
- All Gurdwaras, Sikh Societies and Sikh Institutions, Naujawan Satsangs and Kirtani Jathas for their continued support and guidance
- All donors and well-wishers of SNSM for its Parchar, building fund and community benefiting activities
- All SNSM Branches, Area Representatives, and Division and Sub-Committees for their continued and tireless commitment to carry out Guruji's work
- The Sanggat of Malaysia and Asia for their continued support and contributions
- All Sewadars who had tirelessly worked and sacrificed their time and energy in carrying out various activities of the SNSM

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Acknowledgement

The 12-months from May 2018 to April 2019 have been a very eventful and blessed period for the SNSM, and the EXCO would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to all the Sewadars for their generous commitment, dedication and tireless service in carrying out Guruji's work.

The Sabha looks forward to your continued support in this gracious endeavour and pray that all of us remain in *Chardee Kalaa* at all times.

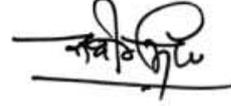
The EXCO would like to take this opportunity to sincerely apologise if any of its Members had, either intentionally or otherwise, hurt the feelings of any individual or any member of the *Sanggat* while carrying out its duties and responsibilities, and for any mistakes and shortcomings that may have occurred.

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