

Prakash Purab of Sri Guru Granth Sahib

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Recently, the <u>Prime Minister</u> extended greetings on the occasion of **Prakash Purab (Illumination Day)** of Sri Guru Granth Sahib.

- Prakash Purab: On this day in 1604, the Guru Granth Sahib was formally inaugurated and ceremoniously opened at Golden Temple in Amritsar, taking the form of the Adi Granth Sahib.
- Adi Granth Sahib: The Adi Granth, meaning "the first book," is the early compilation of Sikh scriptures by Guru Arjan Dev (5th of 10 Gurus) in 1604.
 - The Adi Granth is the first version of the Guru Granth Sahib which serves as the holy scripture of the Sikhs.
 - The **10th Sikh Guru, Guru Gobind Singh,** added further sacred Shabads to the Granth between 1704 and 1706.
 - In 1708, before his departure, he declared the Adi Granth as the eternal Guru, commanding all Sikhs to regard the Guru Granth Sahib as their next and everlasting Guru. It was then renamed Sri Guru Granth Sahib.
 - The Adi Granth incorporated writings from 36 Hindu and Muslim authors, including Kabir,
 Ravi Das, Naam Dev, and Sheikh Farid.

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