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## **Guru Granth Sahib on the final journey**

An exclusive flight to carry five hundred Guru Granth Sahibs to India from London.

Some of the Guru Granth Sahibs have been damaged through usage, therefore will be cremated.

All Sikh literature is given these 'last rites'

All five hundred of the Guru Granth sahibs were accompanied by volunteers of the management of the Gurdwara Mai Pago in Delhi's Karol Bagh area

Each Guru Granth Sahib had its own seat, the total cost of the flight was £75,000

As each volunteer descended from the flight as it reached New Delhi, The Guru Granth Sahibs were carried on their heads.

The Gurdwara Mai Pago engages in the project of ensuring each of The Guru Granth Sahibs are cleaned and eventually send them to other Gurdwaras so that their last rites of cremations in a ceremony can be performed.

## **On Gurta Gaddi Diwas, Rodrigues flags off mobile clinic bus**

**Chandigarh, October 20** As part of the Gurta Gaddi Diwas celebrations, Punjab Governor and UT Administrator General S F Rodrigues (Retd) inaugurated a medical camp and flagged off a fully-equipped AC mobile clinic bus today. The bus was launched by the Sri Guru Granth Sahib Sewa Society at IMA Bhawan in Sector 35.

Accompanied by Jean Rodrigues, the Administrator went around different wards in the city, interacted with the members of the medical team and took stock of the facilities being provided in the hospital.

Rodrigues said they were in the process of synchronising healthcare services by pooling the existing resources and integrating the medical network available at PGIMER, General Hospital and the Government Medical College and Hospital, Sector 32, to ensure access to quality healthcare in the region.

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The Medicity is in an advanced stage of planning which will be equipped with super-speciality services with research facilities and 100 beds for chemotherapy and dialysis patients to help our goal of providing free treatment to the poor patients, he said.

General Rodrigues asked the Home Secretary to constitute a team of officers and management of the Guru Granth Sahib Sewa Society to coordinate endeavour to boost medical services in the region and reach out to people who cannot come to hospitals for treatment.

H S Sabbharwal, General Secretary of the Sri Guru Granth Sahib Sewa Society, highlighted its goals and said that the fully-equipped AC mobile clinic bus with latest eye and dental equipment will conduct five camps in a week in rural areas within a 40-km radius of Chandigarh. He said the society has given 12 stretchers each to PGI and General Hospital, Sector 16.

There is a plan to start angiography and angioplasty facilities and the poor patients will be given free services, he added.

## **105 prisoners released in Punjab**

Rupnagar : 105 prisoners lodged in jails of the state were released on Monday following the decision of the state government to remit their sentence to commemorate 300 years of the Sikh scripture Guru Granth Sahib.

A function was organised at Rupnagar Jail in this regard, which was attended among others by Punjab minister for Jails, Tourism and Cultural affairs Hira Singh Gabria.

The government remitted the sentence of 155 prisoners ranging between three months to one year.

However, 50 prisoners could not be released on Monday as they had failed to deposit the fine imposed by the courts while awarding them sentence for the offences committed by them. They would be released after they deposite their fine.

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## 50 Punjab docs and paramedics ready for Nanded

**PATIALA:** Responding to the call of Jathedar Kulwant Singh of Takht Hazur Sahib, a team of 50 doctors and paramedical staff and volunteers of the Nishkam Medical Care Society is ready to leave for Nanded to provide medical facilities to the thousands of pilgrims and local Nanded residents for ten days beginning 27th October.

The Nishkam society has four years experience in this field and has been active in organizing medical campst at village Cheema, near Sunam, with active cooperation of the Baru Sahib Academy. They have held 6 medical camps and conducted around 300 operations.

According to information released by Dr. Gurdeep Singh from Patiala, the camp site will be the Dashmesh Hospital at Nanded and the team will provide round the clock medical support and free medicines to the pilgrims and local residents. The team will leave on 25 October by Sachkhand Express and will camp there till 6th November.

The doctors who will participate in this noble mission include Dr Gurdeep Singh, M.S (Orthopedics), Dr H S Sandhu, M.S (Orthopedics), Dr Gurmeet Singh, M.S (General Surgery), Dr Harjinder Kaur, M.S (Gynae), Dr Gurpreet Kaur, M.S (Gynae), Dr Gurinder Kaur, M.S (Gynae), Dr mandeep Kaur, M.S (Gynae), Dr Harpreet Kaur, M.S (Gynae), Dr Mrs Kuljit Kaur, M.S (Gynae), Dr K. S Walia, M.D Medicine, Dr J. S Hans, M.S (Eye), Dr G. P Singh, M.S (Plastic surgery), Dr Jasbir Singh, M.D Pathology, Dr Inderpreet Singh, M.D Chest, Dr Mrs Kushal Hans, M.D (E .N .T), Dr Upinder Singh, M.B.B.S (General), Dr Gurinder Singh, M.B.B.S (General), Dr Karminder Singh, M.B.B.S (General), Dr Taranjit Kaur, M.B.B.S (Medical), Dr Harpreet Singh, M.B.B.S (General), Dr J.S. Pannu, M.B.B.S (General), Dr Surinder Singh, M.B.B.S (General), Dr Ranjit Singh Raipuria, M.B.B.S (Medical)

The paramedical staff include Ved Prakash Mangla, Ram Murthy Sharma, Nirmal Kumar, Vivek Sharma, Sawaranjit Singh, Jagmohan Kaur, Sudesh Sharma, Jasbir Kaur, Pawan Kumar Gupta, Anil Kumar, Sarbeshwar Bansal, Jasbir Singh, Satpal Singh, Parminder Singh, Mahesh, Gurpreet Singh, Baljinderjit Singh, Balwinder Singh, Surinder Kaur, Amarinder Singh, Rajbir Kaur, Darshan Singh, Jarnail Singh, Salig Ram Verma, Ajay Kumar, Sukhminder Kaur

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The camp organizing committee includes Col B. S. Arora Organising Secretary, M. R. Singh Mehta Joint Organising Secretary (Finance) and Gurbax Singh Dhingra Joint Organising Secretary.

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