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**To: PRESIDENT,
ALL GURDWARAS,
GURDWARA SAHIB**

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**Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa,
Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh,**

Sardar Ji / Sardarni Jio,

**Subject: Launch of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji's 550 Years Parkash Divas
celebration on 23/11/2018.**

The Malaysian Gurdwaras Council (MGC) had informed all Gurdwaras and Sadh Sangat vide letters dated 3rd August 2018 and 16th August 2018 that MGC with the support of Gurdwaras will be organising grand celebration and Samagams to commemorate the 550 Years Parkash Divas of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji which falls on 12th November 2019.

Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji is the founder of Sikhism. Guru Ji had planted the seeds of Sikhi which were nurtured by the 8 Gurus that followed culminating in Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji completing the Sikhi mission by creating the Khalsa Panth in 1699 by administering Khande De Pahul Da Amrit.

Launch of ARDAS in all Gurdwaras on 23/11/2018

The 550 years Parkash Divas of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Semagam will be launched on 23/11/2018 at Gurdwara Sahib Petaling Jaya at the National Level.

On the same day (23/11/2018), all Gurdwara Parbandhaks are kindly requested to launch the Sri Guru Nanak dev Ji celebration, as below:

23/11/2018 – Launch of celebration:

Simultaneously at Gurdwara Sahib Petaling Jaya (National Level) and in all Gurdwaras Nationwide.

Programme:

11.00 AM. - Sanggat to do:

- One JAP Ji Sahib da Paath.
- Speech by Singh Sahib Giani Joginder Singh Vedanti Saabkaa Jathedar Akal Takht.
[only in Gurdwara Sahib Petaling Jaya]
- Anand Sahib
- ARDAS of Launch

23/11/2018 to 12/11/2019 (ONE YEAR):

- i) At every Satsang in Gurdwaras to do at least ONE JAP Ji Sahib da Paath in the congregation
- ii) At Family and Individual level, to do at least ONE JAP Ji Sahib da Paath daily.
- iii) MGC will send qualified Parcharaks to do JAP Ji Sahib Viakhia at Gurdwaras.

JAP Ji Sahib Viakhia:

JAP Ji Sahib is “Dhur Ki Bani” by Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. An understanding of JAP Ji Sahib will provide the key to the understanding of the rest of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji. Gurdwara Parbandhaks and the Sanggat are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn and understand the message conveyed in the JAP Ji Sahib.

The qualified Parcharaks are being brought in at a cost of about RM90,000.00.

THEME:

The THEME for the One Year celebration beginning 23/11/2018 will be:

“ਸਤਿਗੁਰ ਨਾਨਕ ਪ੍ਰਗਟਿਆ, ਮਿਟੀ ਧੁੰਧੁ ਜਗਿ ਚਾਨਣੁ ਹੋਆ॥”

[Satgur Nanak Pergetiya Mitee Dhund Jag Chanan Hoa] – Baneer Bhai Gurdas Ji.

In literal sense it means that the coming of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji was like the rising of the morning sun whose rays cut through the mist of dawn and lighted the skies within which brightness the mighty stars disappeared together with the darkness.

In the spiritual term, it means that Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji since Parkash began removing the darkness of ignorance and brought about spiritual enlightenment that is as bright as the rising sun and it cut through existing spiritualities of rituals and superstition.

Conclusion:

- i) The Gurdwara Parbandhaks are kindly requested to take note of the launch of 550 years Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji's celebration at all Gurdwaras nationwide on 23/11/2018. A letter with sample Ardas as guidance will be sent to all Gurdwaras.
- ii) The Nationwide JAP Ji Sahib Viakhia and learning classes by qualified foreign teachers will commence after 23/11/2018.
- iii) Gurdwaras will be informed of the full programmes to be carried out in due course.
The total estimated cost to run the one year celebration is about _____
RM475,000.00.

Dhanwad Ji,



Jagir Singh
President MGC