

A Tribute



Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani

(1934 - 2021)

Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani provided his selfless services
as CEO of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh
from 2005 till his last breath on April 28, 2021

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BHAGWAN SRI RAM JI

BHAGWAN SRI KRISHAN JI



SRI GURU NANAK DEV JI



SRI GURU GOBIND SINGH JI



MAHANT BUDDHA SINGH JI



MAHANT ATMA SINGH JI



MAHANT NARAIN SINGH JI



SANT NIKKA SINGH JI "VIRAKAT"



Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj
(Patron and President)



Sant Baba Jodh Singh Ji
(Secretary General)

श्री निर्मल आश्रम, ऋषिकेश में आया था 'एक अजनबी फरिश्ता'



एक 'अजनबी फरिश्ता' आया था 'अर्जन'।
महान व्यक्ति था वह गुरुमुख सज्जन।
उसके आने का था अजब तरीका।
वार्तालाप समय, अति गज़ब सलीका।
अनुभव बताने का, अजीब अन्दाज़ था।
कृपालु, दयालु 'अर्जन' गरीब निवाज़ था।



दंडवत प्रणाम कर किये पूर्ण संत के दर्शन।
श्रद्धा प्रेम से किया, चरणों का परसन।
'राम' जी से मिली जब नज़र अचानक।
देखा 'राम' के नेत्रों में 'नानक'।
चरणों में बैठकर बताया अपना हाल।
'अर्जन' को किया नदरी नदरि निहाल।

अर्जन बोला, "तू मेरा गुरु, मैं हूँ तेरा बाल।
अपने बच्चे को, रख लेहु संभाल।
सेवा की आज्ञा दो, होकर दयाल।
कृपा दृष्टि से, काटो 'मायाजाल'।"

'राम जी'* ने हर्षपूर्वक निष्काम सेवा करने की आज्ञा दी एवं
गुरुबाणी के निम्न वाक्यों द्वारा शुभ आशीष देते हुए, उच्चारण किया:

सतिगुर की सेवा सफलु है जे को करे चितु लाइ॥
मनि चिंदिआ फलु पावणा हउमै विचहु जाइ॥

यथा: सेवा करत होइ निहकामी॥
तिस कउ होत परापति सुआमी॥

यथा: विचि दुनीआ सेव कमाईऐ॥
ता दरगह बैसणु पाईऐ॥
कहु नानक बाह लुडाईऐ॥

ऐसे, गुरु आज्ञानुसार 'अर्जन जी' ने आश्रम की सभी सेवाओं को
निष्काम भावना से करना शुरू किया:

जनु लागा हरि एकै नाइ॥ तिस की आस न बिरथी जाइ॥
सेवक कउ सेवा बनि आई॥ हुकमु बूझि परम पदु पाई॥

महापुरुषों से ऐसे निष्काम सेवा करने की आज्ञा प्राप्त करके श्री अर्जन गुरबक्शानी जी आश्रम के सभी संस्थानों की निष्काम सेवा अति लगन, मेहनत और प्रेम पूर्वक करने लगे। नित्य नियम से सुबह जल्दी उठकर गुरुद्वारा साहिब माथा टेकना, चवर साहिब की सेवा करनी और हुकमनामा श्रवण करना। सुबह का अन्न-छेत्र (गुरु का लंगर) वितरित करना। उसके बाद नाश्ता करके पूरा दिन दफ्तर के सभी स्टाफ को अपने अनुभव से अच्छे-अच्छे सुझाव देकर उनका मार्ग-दर्शन करना। ज्यादातर कार्य अपने हाथों से करना और दिन को आराम न करना उनकी विशेषताएं थीं।

क्योंकि वे बहुत योग्य एवं लम्बे समय तक विदेशी बैंक में अफसर रहे थे, इसलिए ऋषिकेश के कई बैंकों के मैनेजर, चार्टर्ड अकाउन्टेन्ट्स, एडवोकेट्स आदि उनका सत्कार करते थे। श्री अर्जन गुरबक्शानी जी एक उत्तम, शरीफ, मधुर-भाषी, ईमानदार, मेहनती, दयालु, आदर्शक एवं दानी इन्सान थे। जरूरतमंद, गरीब और श्रद्धालु प्राणिओं के सुख-दुख में साथ देते थे। निर्मल आश्रम एवं इसकी प्रत्येक संस्था के सभी स्टाफ मैबर उनको अपने पिता समान समझते थे। वे अति नर्म दिल, सहनशील, उदार-हृदय, गहर-गम्भीर और दूरदर्शी सोच रखने वाले व्यक्ति थे।

असंख्य गुणों से भरपूर अर्जन जी एक ऐसी सम्पूर्ण शख्सियत थे कि उनका आश्रम में आना, लगभग 16 साल लगातार निष्काम सेवा करते रहना, अति निरलेपता और असंगता से रहते हुए अचानक ही चुपके से चले जाना, ऐसा प्रतीत होता है कि एक अदृष्ट 'अजनबी फरिश्ता' श्री निर्मल आश्रम में हमारे बीच आया और हम सबको एक उच्च आदर्शक जीवन जीने का ढंग बता कर अचानक ही अलोप हो गया। हमारी हृदय से प्रार्थना है कि भगवान उनकी जीवन यात्रा सफल करें एवं अपने पावन चरण-कमलों में सदा के लिये निवास दें।

कृतज्ञ

आश्रम के सभी संत, संगत,
सेवादर एवं कर्मचारी



Fondest Tribute to Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani



ਜੋ ਆਇਆ ਸੋ ਚਲਸੀ ਸਭੁ ਕੋਈ ਆਈ ਵਾਰੀਐ ॥
ਜਿਸ ਕੇ ਜੀਅ ਪਰਾਣ ਹਹਿ ਕਿਉ ਸਾਹਿਬੁ ਮਨਹੁ ਵਿਸਾਰੀਐ ॥

ਸ੍ਰੀ.ਗੁ.ਕੰ.ਸਾ. (ਅੰਗ ੪੭੪)

**Those who have come in this mortal world, shall have to depart after completing the time provided to them.
He who owns our soul, and our very breath of life, why should we forsake that Lord and Master from our minds?**

~ Sri Guru Granth Sahib ~ (Page 474)

Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji, who was designated as the CEO of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh in 2005 and served until his demise on 28th April 2021, best exemplified the aforementioned verse from the Gurbani. Understanding the value of short-lived nature of human life, he took diligently to 'Karamayoga' from his very early life. As a refugee from the Sind State, he went on to become an internationally acclaimed banker. After retirement, he decided to dedicate his life to provide selfless services to humanity.

He first came to Rishikesh in 2005 and went back home after spending some days visiting various Ashrams. He had the first Darshan of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj* during his second visit to Nirmal Ashram. At that time, he was so awestruck with the aura of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji that he decided to stay back and started offering his selfless services. He often used to say that he had seen Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji's reflection in the holy eyes of Maharaj Ji. He exhibited deep devotion towards the Ashram and dedicated his post-retirement life offering his services across a variety of tasks.

With his vast experience in finance and accounts, Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani helped the Ashram and its sister institutions to develop strong systems and processes. At a humanitarian level, he was known to have regularly contributed his personal resources to the needy.

He would always be remembered for his intellect, knowledge, valuable thoughts and most importantly, his devotion to the Gurbani. He would often display quotations from the scriptures and reflect upon them. He used the word 'Guru' very often in his day-to-day conversations.

The Management, Doctors and Staff members of Nirmal Ashram Hospital extend their heartfelt condolence to the bereaved Gurbuxani family and pray for the peace of the noble soul.

We all are missing his benign presence.

Bikramjit Singh

(Administrator)

Nirmal Ashram Hospital, Rishikesh

* Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj is the Spiritual Head of the Ashram, President of Nirmal Ashram Trust and all its sister Institutions.

In Loving Remembrance of
Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani

~ *The Values you set in Nirmal Ashram will always remain with us* ~



Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani, who served Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh from 2005 to 2021 breathed his last on April 28, 2021. As the CEO of Nirmal Ashram, he worked selflessly with infinite dedication, unshakable conviction, honour and dignity. He was always down to earth and extremely humble. He always took farsighted and judicious decisions.

Born on July 28, 1934 at Karachi, Sindh state, he and his family came and settled in Mumbai in 1948. At the young age of sixteen, chasing his dreams, he joined the HSBC from where he retired as Manager in March 1986. After his retirement from HSBC, he joined the Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait as CEO and was with them till 1989. He had also been associated with several companies as Director, until his last breath.

Having deftly faced worldly challenges and fulfilled family responsibilities, he chose to spend the last stage of his life by committing to selfless services at Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh. Apart from executing his responsibilities as CEO for a long period of 16 years, he also provided his Sewa at the Daily 'Ann-Chhettar' (Langar) and attended the Aarti at Sri Darbar Sahib. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and their families.

May Guru Maharaj bless his soul and give strength to his family members to bear this irreparable loss.

The Principal and staff of Nirmal Ashram Deepmala Public School (NDS), Rishikesh will miss him for times to come.

Remembering him with gratitude and respect!

Lalitha Krishnaswamy

(Principal)

Nirmal Ashram Deepmala Public School (NDS)

Shyampur, Rishikesh

A Tribute to Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani



*Time passes; Memories fade; Feelings change; People leave;
But the Mind never forgets.....*

The aforementioned quotation expresses the actual emotions of all the staff members working in Nirmal Ashram Gyan Daan Academy (NGA) towards Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani. He had been serving as CEO of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh since 2005 until he breathed his last on Wednesday, 28 April 2021.

He started providing his selfless services to the Ashram after completing his successful career in international banks. He was a man with strong will power, devotion, dedication and humility. He believed in simple living and high thinking. For the last 16 years, he had been rendering his untiring services in managing the affairs of the Ashram.

Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji was a true Karamayogi who rendered service to all spiritual and operational activities of the Ashram. He was also a qualified lawyer, which coupled with his experience as a banker, led him to skillfully manage the compliance and finance / accounts related functions of the Ashram.

He guided all the staff members and 'sewadars' of the Ashram as well as its sister institutions. Everyone in the Nirmal Ashram family looked up to him as a fatherly figure.

The Management, staff members and students of NGA offer their earnest condolences to the bereaved family and pray to the Almighty that eternal peace be granted to the departed soul.

With fond remembrance

Dr. (Ms) Suneeta Sharma

(Principal)

Nirmal Ashram Gyan Daan Academy (NGA)

Khairi-Kalan, Rishikesh

In fond remembrance of Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani



Carve your name on hearts, not tombstones.

A legacy is etched into the minds of others

and the stories they share about you.

~ Shannon L Alder

The aforementioned words shall exemplify, for many, many years to come, the impactful professional, social and personal imprints left behind by Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji who was born in Karachi (Pakistan), in 1934. Arjan ji was a teenager when he came to Mumbai (India). With the Divine Blessings of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj, he served as CEO of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh from 2005 till his sad demise on 28th April 2021.

His first visit to the Ashram was followed soon after by second visit and he stayed on there to perform 'Sewa'. He was extremely mesmerized by the aura of H.H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj and felt soulful connection with Him. During his stay at the Ashram, he was impressed with the various spiritual and charitable services being offered to the destitute and socially marginalised people through the Community Kitchen and other health, education and livelihood creation initiatives. Thus, he sought permission and blessings from Maharaj Ji to provide his selfless services to the various Charitable Institutions running under His Patronship. Ultimately his prayers were granted by Maharaj Ji and he joined the Ashram as its CEO. Thus, Nirmal Ashram became his Karam- Bhoomi.

Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji was an accomplished banker and a competent lawyer. He had played a leading role in implementing best practices for effectively managing

the affairs of the Ashram and all its sister Institutions. He was also instrumental in creating and enabling a governance structure, which has over the last 16 years, stood Nirmal Ashram in good stead and helped it to advance its Vision, Mission and Basic Principles.

As a person he was a very down to earth and humble man who always wore a gentle smile on his face and was forever willing to help others. He was both a philosopher and a compassionate guide to all those who sought his counsel.

The demise of Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji is an irreparable loss to his family and the Ashram. We offer our sincere condolences to his kith and kin and pray that fortitude be granted to them so that they may endure the vacuum created by his passing away.

In their collective sense of bereavement, the Management and all staff members of Nirmal Ashram Eye Institute, Rishikesh pray that eternal peace be granted to his departed soul.

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

~Mahatma Gandhi

Arjan ji, we miss you immensely!

Ajay Sharma
(General Manager)

Dr. Asif Khan
(Medical Superintendent)

Nirmal Ashram Eye Institute (NEI), Khairi-Kalan, Rishikesh

Letter of Condolence



All the staff members of:

Bhagat Labha Mal Kartar Kaur Charitable Trust (Regd.)

- u Bhagat Labha Mal Bridh Ashram (Old Age Home)
- u Mata Kartar Kaur Bal Kalyan Niketan (Child Care Institution)
- u Mata Kartar Kaur Memorial Library
- u Arthik Sewa Kendar (Financial Aid Center)

Sant Nikka Singh Public School Trust Society (Regd.)

- u Sant Nikka Singh Public School, Nirmal Dham, Model Town
- u Sant Nikka Singh Public School, Zarifa Farm
- u Sant Nikka Singh Public School, Sadar Bazar
- u Sant Nikka Singh Pvt. ITI, Nirmal Dham (Affiliated to SCVT / NCVT)

Lucky Chawla Charitable Trust (Regd.)

All above mentioned Institutions and their units are serving the underprivileged segment of society under the Patronage of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj.

We express our heartfelt condolence on the sad demise of Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji, on 28 April 2021, who had been serving as the CEO of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh since 2005.

Sh. Gurbuxani Ji was a committed Sewadar, who judiciously guided and executed all initiatives and operations of the Ashram until the very end. As an epitome of humility, wisdom, love and care, we continuously sought his guidance and derived inspiration to provide our services with greater commitment.

May Almighty grant peace to the departed soul and provide strength and courage to the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

With Profound Sorrow and Grief

Trustees, Directors, Principals, Manager & All Staff Members
Nirmal Dham, Model Town, Karnal (Haryana)

Fond Remembrance



In the small span of life, one visits number of places and meets countless people. Only a few of them are so impressive, that they leave an indelible impression on one's mind. Similar is the case of strong personalities, who either bring change in others' philosophies of life or compel them to rethink about the purpose of their lives on this planet. The late Sh. Arjan Gurbaxani was one such personality.

I got the opportunity to meet our Late CEO, Sh. Arjan Gurbaxani Ji on 4th July 2007 for a short time during the Annual Function of one of our schools, namely Nirmal Ashram Deepmala Public School (NDS), Shyampur, Rishikesh. To know his achievements and the duties he performed in his professional life was a big chapter to describe. He had been managing International Banks as well as corporates. He was a devout devotee of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj, Spiritual Head of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh. Late Sh. Gurbuxani Ji was an epitome of hard work, dedication, humility, loyalty and faithfulness towards all the causes of the Ashram and all its Institutions. He found the ultimate abode of his life and decided to devote it in fulfilling the Vision and Mission as directed by the Spiritual Head.

I pray to Almighty to provide peace and tranquility to the departed soul of Late Sh. Gurbuxani Ji in the heavenly abode. May God provide strength to all members of his family, relatives, friends and well-wishers to bear this loss.

Col. (Dr) D. S. Khera (Retd.)

(Director of Education)

A Tribute to a Great Personality



Om Satnam Ji !

There are a lot of memories associated with Arjan Gurbuxani uncle and as the name says it all, he had been blessed by the Guru / Almighty while dedicating the last 16 years of his life in the selfless Sewa at Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh at the lotus feet of H.H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj.

I have many beautiful and fond memories of him. Sewa was his way of life and it was reflected in all his acts through his body language which was so pure, humble, gentle and absolutely polite. He always devoted his strength and ability to the Kirpa of H. H. Maharaj Ji .

He always said, "Without His Blessings, I am unable to act or enjoy good health or perform any Sewa". This shows that he never took any credit for the selfless services". Even though he looked feeble during my visit to the Ashram in January 2021, he never missed even one morning or evening Ann-Chhettar distribution Sewa among the needy, Sadhus, beggars, poor children and women.

His dedication and wholehearted Sewa to the Ashram is an inspiration for all the other Sewadars and Sangat, including myself. He went about performing his duties diligently without taking any credit, a sight so uncommon these days.

Besides being a multi-talented and qualified banker, he was spiritually connected and he could truly understand the real meaning of being at Nirmal Ashram, in the company of Holy Saints, along with taking care of various official tasks in terms of finance and many other responsibilities as the CEO. He worked like a duck, which is calm above water but works tirelessly and efficiently under water.

We would be missing him for his moral and spiritual guidance as well as all his words of motivation and encouragement.

Samrathh Agathh Apaar Nirmal Sunohu Suami Binau Ehu]
Kar Jorh Nanak Daan Maangei Janam Maran Nivaar Leho[1]
~(S.G.G.S., Page-457)

O, all-powerful, indescribable, infinite and immaculate Lord Master, listen to my prayer. With palms pressed together, Nanak begs for this blessing: O Lord, let my cycle of birth and death come to an end [1]

We pray for his soul to escape the process of incarnation for eternity.

Ang-Sang Waheguru Ji !

With our fond remembrance

Daljeet S. Gulati (*Executive Director*)

Harinder S. Gulati (*Director*)

Gurdeep S. Arora (*Director*)



Advance India Projects Ltd.

Gurugram (Haryana)

Shri Arjan Gurbuxani



A TRIBUTE

It is with profound grief that we note the sudden demise of our most respected Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji, CEO of Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh, on April 28, 2021. Gurbuxani Ji was a living example of honesty, commitment, dedication and selfless service to the cause of humanity. His age notwithstanding, he served the Ashram for over 16 years with utmost zeal and devotion. Being a Banker by profession, numbers and financial procedures were on his fingertips. Besides handling finances and accounts, he was an able administrator too and worked very closely with H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj and Sant Baba Jodh Singh Ji in running the affairs of the Ashram.

We remember our first meeting in his office at Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh in 2017 very vividly and were surprised to see him working late at 8 p.m. His age never became a hurdle in his sewa. It was a unique privilege to hear Gurbuxani Ji share a part of his life history in one of our meetings. His family shifted from Sind (Pakistan) to Mumbai after the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947. He was just 14 years old and spent many days on the footpaths of Mumbai. Nevertheless, by sheer grit and hard work, he rose to very senior positions in the banking sector in India and abroad.

Sh. Gurbuxani Ji had utmost reverence and respect for H.H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj and Sant Baba Jodh Singh Ji and would respectfully address the former as 'Bade Baba'. Both the Saints too valued his dedicated contribution to the Ashram.

Gurbuxani Ji's passing away is a great loss for the Ashram as well as for his family. It has left a void which will take a long time to fill. We express our deep condolences to all his family members. We pray that his noble soul rests in Eternal Peace.

Om Shanti!

Dr. S. N. Suri & Family

Gurugram (Haryana)

In Loving Remembrance of my Nana Ji



My Nana was the most positive, hardworking man I ever met. A simple man, happiest with a bowl of chocolate ice cream, he was always smiling, eyes twinkling, ever ready with his refrain, “Satnam, everything is God's will,” which carried him through everything – from migrating during partition and sleeping on the streets of Bombay, to many cross country moves while rising through the ranks at his jobs, managing his personal office post retirement and losing a daughter, to finally, firmly depositing him where his soul was happiest, in the tireless service of those less fortunate, at Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh.

My Nana was the most thoughtful man I ever met. Every Sunday after spending the night at Gulmarg, he'd drive us home and without fail stop at Dave Farsan Mart to pick up a bunch of samosas to distribute at the Gurudwara, a batata vada for Lishu and a white dhokla for me. He knew we loved the dal puri Langar and continued to bring it to us long after we outgrew accompanying him to the Gurudwara on these trips; every Sunday at first and then whenever he was in town from Rishikesh. He knew we loved stickers, so whenever we visited his office as children, he'd take us to the stationery shop downstairs when it was time to leave and buy us each a sheet. I had stopped collecting stamps by the time he moved to Rishikesh but he remembered that I used to when I was younger, and being in receipt of international mail at the Ashram, he would painstakingly separate the stamps from the envelopes to keep aside and mail them to Bombay for me when he had collected enough.

My Nana was the kindest, most caring man I ever met. God knows he had enough of his own aches and pains but the first question he would ask anytime we spoke was, “How's Nani?” And when satisfied with my answer, he'd work his way through

our entire family, often ending the call with a “God bless,” before I even got the chance to ask how he was doing. From a young age he taught us to think about those less fortunate than us, and never drove a car that wasn't stocked with packets of biscuits to hand out to any beggar we might come across. He did this on a much larger scale when he went to Rishikesh, on his feet for hours at a time, twice a day, distributing free food to the needy. He was instrumental in setting up free schools and hospitals for people who couldn't afford proper schooling or medical care, setting an example few could hope to even come close to achieving.

My Nana was the most respectful man I ever met. He taught me that God is my first Guru, followed by my grandparents, parents, school teachers, and the people around me, in that order, and so to never disrespect or lose my temper with anyone on that list, even when they say something you don't like and especially if they are less fortunate than you. He taught us myths and epics and told us stories about prophets, kings, saints and philosophers, in order to inculcate in us a sense that even if we don't believe in a single God or religion, there is an inherent moral code and certain unshakeable values we must embody as we go about our lives. The most generous and forgiving man I ever met, he taught us never to make anyone feel unwelcome, and to give freely and wholeheartedly, without ever holding grudges or worrying about reciprocation.

The words I have written here barely scratch the surface of just how incredible and inspiring he was. To put it simply, my Nana was the most wonderful man I ever met, and probably will ever meet. He had an immensely fulfilled life and died just as he lived; working hard, performing Sewa and smiling till the very end. My Nana played a pivotal role in shaping me into the person I am and it feels as if half of my heart has gone with him. I am at a loss for how to imagine, much less, live in a world, in which he doesn't exist.

Rhea Bawa

Granddaughter of Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji

Mumbai (Maharashtra State)

Bhavpooran Shardhanjli



It is with great sadness and a personal sense of bereavement that we share our feelings at the loss of our respected Arjan Gurbuxani Ji, an eminent personality, full of energy and smile. Ever since he joined Nirmal Ashram in 2005, he was like a father figure to us especially, as we had lost our father in 2004.

As he was a banker by profession and engaged in the onerous responsibility of the management of finances and accounts of Nirmal Ashram Trust, a Group of various Educational and Medical Institutions, we had the opportunity to be closely associated with him.

He was a man of unshakable principles, well-read and always a guiding force, who insisted us on compliance of the statutory formalities applicable to Nirmal Ashram Trust by adhering to the prescribed time schedules.

During his Sewa at Nirmal Ashram we have seen and experienced radical improvements in the management of accounting and finance division of the organization which has expanded tremendously over the last two decades.

Despite being a high profile banker, at Nirmal Ashram, we saw him, as pious, noble, polite and always keen to serve others. We have learnt a lot from him, especially his quality of commitment and dedicated service to humanity.

We will always cherish his memories and hold them close to our heart. May he forever guide all of us, from the heaven.

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ਪਰਮ ਪੂਜਨੀਕ ਮਹੰਤ ਬਾਬਾ ਰਾਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀਓ,
ਪਰਮ ਸਤਿਕਾਰ ਯੋਗ ਸੰਤ ਬਾਬਾ ਜੋਧ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀਓ,

ਵਾਹਿਗੁਰੂ ਜੀ ਕਾ ਖਾਲਸਾ ਵਾਹਿਗੁਰੂ ਜੀ ਕੀ ਫਤਹਿ॥

ਇਹ ਸੁਣ ਕੇ ਅਤੀ ਦੁੱਖ ਹੋਇਆ ਕਿ ਸਾਡੇ ਸਭਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅਤੀ ਸਤਿਕਾਰਿਤ, ਨਿਮਰਤਾ ਦੇ ਮੁਜੱਸਮੇ, ਸੰਸਾਰਕ ਮੋਹ ਮਾਇਆ ਤੋਂ ਨਿਰਲੇਪ, ਨਿਸ਼ਕਾਮ ਸੇਵਾ ਦੇ ਪੁੰਜ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਰਜਨ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ਾਨੀ ਜੀ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਕਾਲ ਪੁਰਖ ਜੀ ਦੇ ਅਟੱਲ ਹੁਕਮ ਨੂੰ ਮੰਨਦੇ ਹੋਏ, ਸਾਡੇ ਦਰਮਿਆਨ ਨਹੀਂ ਰਹੇ।

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ਾਨੀ ਜੀ, ਮਨੁੱਖੀ ਸੇਵਾ ਲਈ ਵਿਸ਼ਵ ਭਰ ਵਿਚ ਜਾਣੇ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਨਿਰਮਲ ਆਸ਼ਰਮ, ਰਿਸ਼ੀਕੇਸ਼ ਨਾਲ ਜੁੜ ਕੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਜੀਵਨ ਕਾਲ ਵਿਚ ਵਿਚਰਦਿਆਂ ਸਮਾਜਿਕ, ਵਿਦਿਅਕ, ਧਾਰਮਿਕ ਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਕੀ ਸੇਵਾ ਕਾਰਜਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਉਮਰ ਭਰ ਆਪਣਾ ਯੋਗਦਾਨ ਪਾਉਂਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਸਾਨੂੰ ਸਭਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਆਪਣੀ ਸੂਝਵਾਨ ਅਗਵਾਈ ਪ੍ਰਦਾਨ ਕਰਦੇ ਰਹੇ।

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਰਜਨ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ਾਨੀ ਜੀ ਦਾ ਨਿਰਮਲ ਆਸ਼ਰਮ ਪ੍ਰੀਵਾਰ ਅਤੇ ਰਿਸ਼ੀਕੇਸ਼ ਦੀਆਂ ਸੰਗਤਾਂ ਵਿੱਚੋਂ ਇਸ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਰ ਅਚਾਨਕ ਹੀ ਚਲੇ ਜਾਣਾ ਸਾਡੇ ਸਭਨਾਂ ਲਈ ਅਤੀ ਦੁਖਦਾਈ ਅਤੇ ਅਸਹਿ ਤਾਂ ਹੈ ਹੀ ਪ੍ਰੰਤੂ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਘਾਟ ਕੇਵਲ ਨਿਰਮਲ ਆਸ਼ਰਮ ਵਿਚ ਹੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਬਲਕਿ ਰਿਸ਼ੀਕੇਸ਼ ਦੀਆਂ ਸੰਗਤਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਵੀ ਸਦਾ ਹੀ ਮਹਿਸੂਸ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਰਹੇਗੀ।

ਅਕਾਲਪੁਰਖ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਅਚਾਨਕ ਹੀ ਆਏ ਸੱਦੇ ਉੱਤੇ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਸਦੀਵੀ ਵਿਦਾਇਗੀ ਲੈ ਜਾਣ ਨੂੰ, ਅਕਾਲ ਪੁਰਖ ਦਾ ਅਟੱਲ ਹੁਕਮ ਮੰਨਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਗੁਰਦੁਆਰਾ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਹੇਮਕੁੰਟ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਮੈਨੇਜਮੈਂਟ ਟਰੱਸਟ ਦੇ ਸਮੂਹ ਟਰੱਸਟੀ, ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਮੂਹ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀ, ਉਸ ਪਾਵਨ ਰੂਹ ਨੂੰ ਨਿੱਘੀ ਸ਼ਰਧਾਂਜਲੀ ਭੇਟ ਕਰਦੇ ਹੋਏ, ਅਕਾਲ ਪੁਰਖ ਦੇ ਚਰਨਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਅਰਦਾਸ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਪਵਿੱਤਰ ਰੂਹ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੇ ਚਰਨਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਸਦੀਵੀ ਨਿਵਾਸ ਬਖਸ਼ਿਸ਼ ਕਰਨ। ਅਸੀਂ ਪਰਮਾਤਮਾ ਅੱਗੇ ਅਰਦਾਸ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਸਾਨੂੰ ਸਭ ਨੂੰ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਕਸ਼ੇ ਕਦਮ ਉੱਤੇ ਚੱਲਣ ਲਈ ਯਤਨਸ਼ੀਲ ਰਹਿਣ ਦਾ ਉਤਸ਼ਾਹ ਤੇ ਬਲ ਪ੍ਰਦਾਨ ਕਰਨ।

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A Tribute to Shri Arjan Gurbuxani Ji



It is with a very heavy heart that I offer my condolences to the bereaved family, friends and acquaintances of respected Arjan Gurbuxani Ji, who was an embodiment of piousness, politeness and nobility. Besides an eminent banker, he had also been an independent director of many companies. He has touched the minds and hearts of everyone who met him, be it devotees, the staff of the Ashram or others, including my family and left an indelible mark.

We, as auditors of Nirmal Ashram have witnessed his Nishkaam Sewa ever since he joined as CEO. His vision, impeccable devotion to Ashram and humanity and a constant drive to improvise accounting systems, procedures, finances and management, speaks volumes about his integrity and character. His death has created a vacuum, which shall be very difficult to fill.

He was extremely respectful towards everyone, a gentleman to the core. We shall always cherish his memories close to our hearts. Being the loving father-figure that he was, he will always be remembered by my family. He may have left this tangible world but his selfless service, devotion and kind deeds will always reside in our hearts.

"In one step he has passed over to posterity and consigned himself to the guardianship of memories, where he shall live forever."

Gurpreet Singh Chugh

(Chartered Accountant)

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HEARTFELT TRIBUTES



It was shocking and unbelievable to hear that Mr. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji left for his heavenly abode on 28th April 2021.

Till today, I have not been able to accept this tremendous loss. Only recently, when I visited the Ashram, I was unconsciously drawn towards his office, but was saddened to see that his seat was vacant. Both on personal and professional fronts, the passing away of Mr. Gurbuxani has been a deep loss to me. I had first met him during my visit to the Ashram more than a decade ago. He had just assumed charge as the CEO of Nirmal Ashram Trust and over the course of time, both of us developed close professional affinity, owing to our association with the banking industry. With every meeting/interaction I had with him, my knowledge in the banking domain received substantial boost.

Despite being in his golden years, Mr. Gurbuxani was a dynamic and energetic person. Whenever I enquired about the source of his seemingly infinite energy, he attributed the same to the blessings of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj, Sant Baba Jodh Singh Ji and the Immortal Sayings of Pujya Sant Baba Nikka Singh 'Virakat' Ji Maharaj. He was full of positivity, selflessness and humility. He always professed "Nishkaam Sewa", selfless service, and I have tried my little bit to inculcate and follow his advice.

In conclusion, I wish to state that my time spent with Mr. Gurbuxani Ji shall always be a part of the most cherished memories of my life. I pray that the Almighty rests his soul in peace.

Gautam Thapa

(Branch Head)

Axis Bank, Rishikesh

In Fond Remembrance



Satnam Ji

Shri Arjan Gurbuxani Ji, CEO (Honorary), who served Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh for about sixteen years, passed away peacefully on April 28, 2021 at the age of 86 years.

He was a proficient administrator, who could manage all the affairs of the Ashram single handedly. Whenever Maharaj Ji(s) went out of station, he managed all the activities of the Ashram efficiently, guiding the administrative and office staff in every possible way.

His sincerity, honesty and intelligence made him one of the most trustworthy followers of revered Maharaj Ji.

He was soft spoken, humble and a symbol of simplicity. He blessed all the persons who came to meet him with his favourite benediction, "*Bhagwan tera Bhala Karey!*", which means, "May God Bless you !"

He was fond of reading books and left hundreds of those in the cupboard of his room. It was his hobby to print the sayings of great Gurus, Saints, Philosophers & Thinkers and pin those up on the display board, daily.

He used to go twice a day to Sri Darbar Sahib for offering his prayers. He also never missed the daily routine of Chettar distribution service of food to Sadhus, poor and needy people.

Once, while chatting in a light mood in his office, he said that to be a devotee, it was not necessary to be brilliant, wealthy or perfect, but a strong will to serve honestly.

To me, he was a gentleman par-excellence.

May God bless the noble soul!

Kuldip Singh Kalra

Model Town, Karnal (Haryana)

Our Heartfelt Remembrance



Om Satnam!

I have no words to express my grief at the loss of Mr. Arjan Gurbaxani Ji, who was a source of inspiration for all of us owing to selfless services, devotion, hard work, intelligence, love and sacrifice. He was a living legend and now a legend living in hearts of all of us. We must be thankful to Almighty for giving us a real gem in our lives.

In 2005, when he joined Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh till the last day of his life, his every act was pro-Ashram and like a true Karamayogi. His day always started with the Blessings of Shri Guru Granth Sahib Ji and H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj, then serving Ann-Chhettar for Sadhus, needy and poor. After that he supervised the functioning of the Ashram's office, its administration and statutory compliances. He also looked after works of allied institutions of the Ashram (tirelessly) under the guidance of Sant Baba Jodh Singh Ji.

His daily routine ended with blessings of H. H. Mahant Baba Ram Singh Ji Maharaj while serving the evening Ann-Chhettar. In my view, he was a true devotee in all senses.

During my visit to Ashram, I had seen that even at his advanced age, he single handedly managed all the desired affairs in a very systematic and efficient way. I felt that even the younger generation was surprised to see his miraculous capabilities and working gesture. He was not only an asset for the Ashram but an ideal icon for the society. I would like to thank him for being a shining light in our lives and a true tribute to him will be only if we try to move on the path of selfless service, as an example set by him.

May his soul rest in eternal peace!

Gobind Kalra & Family

Panipat (Haryana)

Our Heartfelt Condolences to

Mrs. MAYA GURBUXANI
{Wife}

Mr. GURMEET BAWA
{Son-in-law}

Ms. ALISHA BAWA & Ms. RHEA BAWA
{Granddaughters}

Mrs. NANDITA SETH
{Daughter}

Mr. NAVNEET SETH
{Son-in-law}

Ms. SIMRAN SETH
{Granddaughter}

Mrs. MALA RAJPAL
{Daughter}

Mr. ARVIND RAJPAL
{Son-in-law}

Mr. SARTAJ RAJPAL
{Grandson}

Ms. AMRITA RAJPAL
{Granddaughter}



Late Sh. Arjan Gurbuxani Ji



Missing His Physical Presence Immensely

Nirmal Ashram, Rishikesh

Nirmal Bagh, Kankhal, Haridwar

Nirmal Ashram Hospital, Rishikesh

Nirmal Ashram Deepmala Public School, Shyampur, Rishikesh

Nirmal Ashram Gyan Daan Academy, Khairi-Kalan, Rishikesh

Nirmal Ashram Eye Institute, Khairi-Kalan, Rishikesh

Hari Kirpa Silai Kendar, Rishikesh

Various Charitable Institutions at Karnal

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