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## SIKH TEMPLE MAKINDU

Established in 1926, the Makindu Sikh Temple is now one of the most famous Gurudwaras in the world. Situated in Kenya between Nairobi & Mombasa, Makindu Sahib is visited by devotees from all over the world.

The origins of Sikh Temple Makindu can be traced back to the early 1900s, when the British built the Kenya-Uganda Railway to open up the interior of East Africa. This holy place has divine blessings and people relate many stories that sincere ardas (supplications) have been rewarded by the Almighty (Waheguru).

Sikh Temple Makindu has built a new Darbar for the original swaroop of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji which was brought to Kenya by the pioneer Sikhs from India who worked on the Kenya-Uganda Railway.



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## SCHEDULED PROGRAMME

### SUN 31 JAN

5.00am, Kericho Arambh Sri Akhand Path

### MON 01 FEB

9.30am Tree Planting, Food Distribution

### TUE 02 FEB

5.00am, Kericho Bhog Sri Akhand Path  
11.00am, Kericho Departure of Guru Granth Sahib Ji to Kisumu by road  
1.00pm, Kisumu Arrival of Guru Granth Sahib Ji  
7.00pm, Kisumu Evening Diwan

### WED 03 FEB

6.00am, Kisumu Asa Di Var  
11.30am, Kisumu Ardas and Departure to Kisumu Railway Station  
1.00pm, Kisumu Train Departs for Nakuru  
7.00pm, Nakuru Arrival of Guru Granth Sahib Ji  
Darshan, Kirtan & Langar Seva at Nakuru Railway Station  
10.00pm, Nakuru Train Departs for Nairobi

### THU 04 FEB

6.00am, Nairobi Arrival of Guru Granth Sahib Ji  
Darshan, Kirtan & Langar Seva at Nairobi Railway Station  
9.00am, Nairobi Train departs for Makindu  
3.00pm, Makindu Arrival of Guru Granth Sahib Ji  
3.30pm, Makindu Welcome & Procession from Railway Station to Gurudwara Sahib

### FRI 05 FEB

5.00am, Makindu Arambh Sri Akhand Path, New Darbar  
9.30am, Makindu Tree Planting, Food Distribution

### SAT 06 FEB

9.30am, Makindu Medical Camp & Inter-faith forums

### SUN 07 FEB

5.00am, Makindu Bhog Sri Akhand Path in New Darbar

7.00am, Makindu Amrit Sanchaar, New Darbar  
6.00am - 9.00am Asa Di Var, Main Darbar  
11.00am Smapati

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# RETRACING THE HISTORIC STEPS OF GURU GRANTH SAHIB JI TO MAKINDU

## SIKH GURU'S SACRED HISTORIC TRAVEL

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PROSPERITY  
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INAUGURATION OF THE  
NEW GURU DARBAR  
AT SIKH TEMPLE MAKINDU



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## GURU NANAK NISHKAM SEWAK JATHA (GNNSJ)

GNNSJ is a registered, religious charity dedicated to the selfless service of Sikhs and humanity in general – in the name of Guru Nanak Dev Ji, the founder of the Sikh Dharam.

GNNSJ was founded in East Africa during the 1950s by **Sant Baba Puran Singh Ji of Kericho**, affectionately known as **Baba Ji**. He was born in 1898 in the Punjab village of Gura. Emigrating to Kenya in 1916, he set up *Kericho Wagon Works* in 1925 in Kericho, renowned since **Baba Ji** settled there and selflessly served the community. **Baba Ji's** message was not just a philosophy of words – he was a personification of the adage 'practice what you preach' – and in tow of the fundamental teachings of **Guru Nanak: Naam Jappo** (remember God and live in His Presence); **Kirt Karro** (earn your living through hard work); and **Wand Shakko** (share your good fortune with others). **Baba Ji** inspired everyone to selflessly carry out the above as a 'labour of love'. In the 1970s, **Baba Ji** came to England, where many significant, often unprecedented events were made possible through his divine guidance.

On 5 June 1983, Baba Ji left for his heavenly abode, leaving a legacy of exemplary Sikh practice which is the inspiration of all endeavours of GNNSJ. **Bhai Sahib Bhai Norang Singh Ji** was selected to continue his legacy. Bhai Sahib Ji left for his heavenly abode on 3 July 1995. **Bhai Sahib Bhai Mohinder Singh Ji** continues on this legacy today.

GNNSJ continues to serve in inter-faith, with a focus towards education of the less fortunate of our society. **Nishkam Saint Puran Singh Institute (NSPSI)** in Kericho, a humble initiative of GNNSJ, is a prime example of the Jatha's dedication to doing positive good for others, which is a key value of the Sikh Dharam. NSPSI has built bridges between different faith communities across continents, nations and nationalities, supported by respective governments, fostering good will, hope and prosperity at all levels.



Nishkam Saint Puran Singh Institute, Kericho

*This epic travel endeavours to raise awareness towards the respect, protection and preservation of our sacred heritage, as we pray for peace, prosperity and unity for our country Kenya and its peoples. We need to promote value-led education and propagate the universal message of love and welfare of all. The culture of self-reliance, self-help and community participation must be encouraged.*

BHAI SAHIB MOHINDER SINGH JI

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