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The richness of a country does not lie in its natural resources, but in the potential and quality of its people. India has the distinction of being the country of Sages and Seers who have left to the World an invaluable heritage of spirituality, and has also made a name for itself with the talents of its people, who contribute to the culture of the world with arts and handicraft and places of lasting beauty. Unknown to a larger public, a place has been set up in Punjab which unites both, beauty and spirituality: Kirpal Sagar – the ‘Ocean of Grace’.

On 10 December 2007, the 25th Jubilee of Kirpal Sagar is being celebrated on the occasion of the 75th birth anniversary of its founder, Dr. Harbhajan Singh, the true disciple of Sant Kirpal Singh, the great Saint of the 20th century. Commissioned by Him, the Project for ‘Man making’ and ‘Man service’ was built up by Dr. Harbhajan Singh, together with his wife, Biji Surinder Kaur.

Despite we are sensible to the fact that our trials to render a portrait of Dr. Harbhajan Singh will ever fail, we take the opportunity to express our love and deep respect for him, who as a spiritual personality of greatest height allowed us always to be close to him.

He surrendered his life to the Almighty God, Who created Saints and Masters to guide His children back to Home Eternal. He impersonated the attributes of a true human being: Consciousness, truth, love, compassion and selflessness. Revelations at a young age made him search for God and eventually led him to his Master.

Dr. Harbhajan Singh was born on 10 December, 1932 in Laaylpur, India (now Pakistan), from where as a youth he had to migrate with his family to India dur-

ing the partition of the country. They settled in Nag Kalan near Amritsar, where he later lived with his wife and two children and practiced as a doctor. A turning point came in his life when he met his Master in 1961. He became his beloved disciple, doctor, and confident. Sant Kirpal Singh loveably called him ‘God’s doctor’ and, at the end of His tenure, asked him to stay at His side when He left His body in 1974. Commissioned by Sant Kirpal Singh to carry on His Mission, Dr. Harbhajan Singh worked as a ‘Gurmukh’ – a perfect disciple who is fully absorbed in his Master. He called himself a ‘borrowed servant’ of his Master. He had a unique way to explain the teaching which goes back to Kabir, the ‘Father of Spirituality’. He was teacher, brother and friend of all, and with his warm hearted nature won over the hearts. Everybody was allowed to call him ‘Bhaji’ – ‘Brother’. We did it with deep respect, for he taught with authority: He taught what he lived. Though thousands of Indians call one another alike, the word ‘Bhaji’ remains for us inseparably connected to him alone.

In 1976, Bhaji came with his wife Biji Surinder Kaur for the first time to the West to convey the instructions of Sant Kirpal Singh to his fellow disciples and started to give lectures about Spirituality in different countries. He explained in a clear cut way the difference between spirituality as taught by the competent Masters and practices like black magic, spiritual healing and countless meditation techniques.

Unity of Man, the movement Sant Kirpal Singh had initiated in 1974 began to spread. During the following years a Centre for the West was created in St. Gilgen near Salzburg, while in India the Sawan Ashram in Amritsar served as headquarters. Many Westerners also used to stay in Bhaji’s house in Nag Kalan, near Amritsar. In 1973, Sant Kirpal Singh laid the foundation-stone of the hospital where Dr. Harbhajan Singh

treated people from about forty villages of the surrounding area. Needy patients got free treatment which they otherwise could not afford. He always found time to speak with his patients about the purpose of human life which gave a healing support to many of them.

A special phase was marked in 1982, when the foundation-stone of Kirpal Sagar was laid. Then the construction work started at the site which Sant Kirpal Singh had chosen for the Project in 1973. Armed with the potent Word of His Master as his support, but nearly no means at his disposal, Dr. Harbhajan Singh devoted himself to this giant task.

While lots of difficulties were shaking the Punjab in the eighties, Kirpal Sagar was being set up with the help of volunteers from India and abroad. Bhaji took care for people, he took care for materials – for each and everything. In all circumstances he mastered the problems with equanimity, setting an example in all aspects.

With incredible strength by her spiritual achievement, his wife Biji Surinder Kaur stood firmly at his side. She also accompanied Bhaji on his annual tours to the West, and a close relationship with the Western disciples developed. These lecture tours led them to various countries, like Austria, Germany, France, Switzerland, Sweden, The Netherlands, Finland, Slovakia and United Kingdom.

In 1993, Unity of Man was represented by Dr. Harbhajan Singh as a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) at the United Nations World Conference on Human Rights at Vienna. Dr. Harbhajan Singh had the privilege to address the plenary session of the States Conference. During the preparations for the World Conference on Unity of Man at Kirpal Sagar, Dr. Harbhajan Singh took the opportunity to meet personalities of international reputation. This Conference took place on the occasion of the 100th Birth Anniversary of Sant Kirpal Singh on 3-6 February 1994.

Though being a doctor, Dr. Harbhajan Singh set aside all his bodily comfort and devoted all his time

to the service of humanity. Despite few knew that he suffered from a heart trouble since his Master had left the body, it struck all when, in 1995, he decided to undergo an heart operation in Austria, which was performed successfully.

After his return to India, he focused his whole attention on advancing the construction work everywhere in Kirpal Sagar. Day and night he spent supervising the work on the Sarovar.

After having set up all main facilities of Kirpal Sagar and many weeks of permanent work, it was on 24 September 1995, that he went to the hospital in Ludhiana. There he left his body on 25 September – in the same city where he had been initiated by his Master. Until his last breath he thought of Kirpal Sagar.

Though Biji Surinder Kaur was passing through difficult times, she took the whole responsibility on her shoulders and now carries on the work with full dedication.

Out of her deep love for Bhaji and Master, she puts all her efforts to develop Kirpal Sagar into a blooming garden of spirituality, where man can progress in all aspects as to achieve ultimately self-knowledge and God-knowledge.

The 25th Jubilee of Kirpal Sagar will be focused on a unique event – the inauguration of the Symbols of Unity: the model of a Gurdawara, a Mosque, a Temple and a Church. Each of these models symbolizes the human body, which, according to the Holy Scriptures is the 'true temple of God'. Side by side, these symbols remind that God made man and man made religion.

Kirpal Sagar is the reflection of the life and work of Dr. Harbhajan Singh who said himself, "Kirpal Sagar is my heart. Who knows Kirpal Sagar knows my heart."

The Editor

We cannot describe how
beautiful Bhaji's personality was.
Whatever we say about him is
not enough. I have always seen
him in very good mood,
laughing and never in despair.
He always used to say,
"Whenever we are in difficulties,
God will certainly help us."

Surinder Kaur

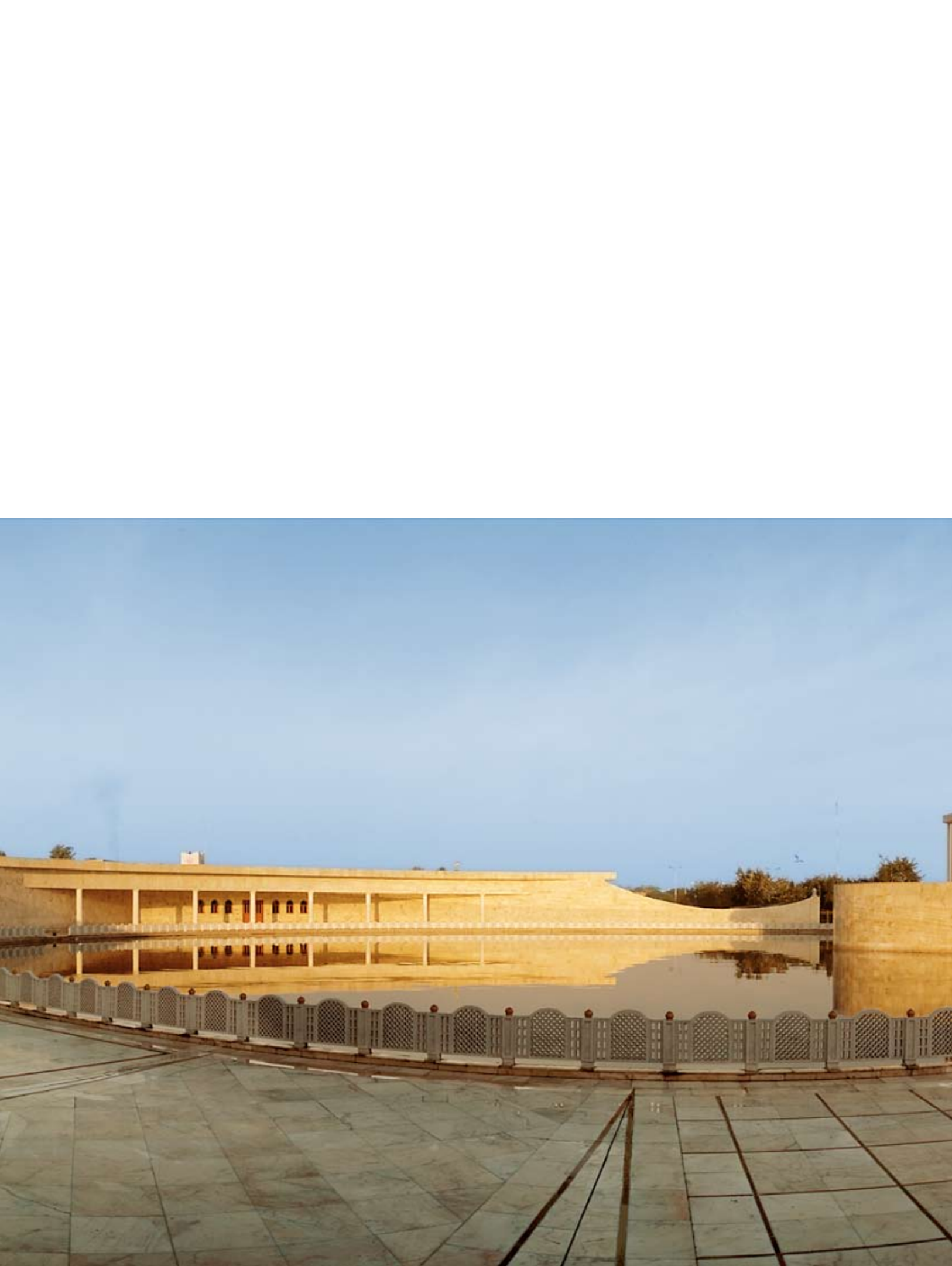




Kirpal Sagar Ocean of Grace

When Sant Kirpal Singh came into this world, the foundation of truth, of spirituality, of this Ocean Kirpal Sagar was made very strong, as strong as a fort. This foundation was prepared inside, but outside He made it through His disciple, His Gurmukh Bhaji.

Surinder Kaur



When Kirpal Sagar was given its name, first, the Holy Book was opened as per Indian tradition, and the word 'Kirpal', meaning 'Grace', came up. So this name – Ocean of Grace – was given.

Surinder Kaur





Once someone asked me for the meaning of Kirpal Sagar, I answered, "It is the Ocean of Grace. We need Grace, so it is the Ocean of Grace." – "For whom are you creating all these things?" – "For all human beings." – "Of which religion?" – "Of all religions, for all human beings who are in the world and who are yet to come into the world." He inquired, "For me also?" I assured, "Yes, all that is created here belongs to you." He hugged and embraced me and said, "You are great." I said, "No, my Master is great who helped us." – "So are you making everything for the sweet remembrance of the Masterpower?" I explained, "No, I will never do that, because a lot of things are written in the sweet remembrance of God, but God is not there. I am only fulfilling the wish of the Master and in doing so, there is a sweet remembrance, that has helped us to create all these things."

Harbhajan Singh

Who could make the map and designs of this place? It is said, if He had not given pen and paper Himself, the pen could not move.

Surinder Kaur

A Place for Man-making and Man-service

Sant Kirpal Singh had finished all His works, but He commissioned Kirpal Sagar and left this work for His children

Kirpal Sagar is a place for Man-making and Man-service and will fulfil all conditions in developing man into a real man. Sant Kirpal Singh's motto – Be good, Do good and Be one, is practised here and brings the brotherhood of men under the fatherhood of God to life for all who come in contact with this place.

H.S.

It was Sant Kirpal Singh's aim and Mission to lead His life in such a way that He would help each individual in any aspect. This was also His idea for Kirpal Sagar, and everything He envisioned we are putting into practice. All He wanted is happening now – it is only through His will. It is He who is giving everything, who is nourishing and maintaining everyone and is giving guidance.

He was such a competent Master that while taking only one grain from this field at the Farm, He gave a parshad from inside that can make us become one part of His ocean. Then He took water – there was not any vessel, they brought just a bucket, and Master took water with His hand. When He was drinking,

the water was running down from His hand like the flow of His ocean which cannot be controlled, and with the flowing of the water His grace was flowing.

This place is already made inside. As much it is getting prepared that much Master raises the curtain and we can see it here.

It is not made by our efforts, nor with our colour, it has come already made from above, and only that brick will be put into it, only that color it will have (as above). Nobody will be able to change the stream of the great Saints, not a single brick anybody can put without His will. At this place nothing was made without deep devotion by Bhaji; not even one foundation of any building was laid without this devotion. With nothing but Master's word we started the work and never doubted, we always worked according to His guidance.

S.K.

Right: Sant Kirpal Singh, 1973



In the beginning there were only nine fields of land which Master had bought from His own money and had given to the Sangat in Amritsar. When they started to work on the Farm, Bhaji always would go ahead and did hard work. Biji then sometimes remained in Nawanshar in the house of a Satsangi and meditated, while Bhaji was on the Farm. Sometimes he came back only after three days. For taking rest, he used to stretch out his turban, lay himself on one part of the cloth and take the other part as a blanket. Often there was so much work that he did not even recognize if he had taken food or not, but he was always fresh, as he got the direct food for the soul coming from Master.

When more and more disciples from the West came to Kirpal Sagar to do the Seva, they had very simple accomodation in the farmhouse nearby. Bhaji knew that they were not used to the rural life and tried to make their stay as comfortable as possible. During the winter season in the north of India it is very cold at night. As there was no shower nor hot water, Bhaji himself sometimes heated a big pot of water with the help of an immersion heater for us. Bhaji and Biji along with their two children stayed in a shelter made of bricks with a room just as big as one small double bed. In a second little room the food was prepared for all.



Above left: Old "Langar", 1983

Centre left: Shelter where Bhaji and Biji stayed in the beginning

Below left: View of the fields

Right: Dr. Harbhajan Singh working in the sugar cane field





Whoever has the privilege to do selfless service or “Seva” in Kirpal Sagar gets Master’s vibration and help. When the construction work started we could hardly imagine how this project would grow and develop. By doing the work, we learnt many lessons. In the West most people are used to discuss a lot beforehand and to insist on one’s own ideas. Master teaches: first and foremost selfless service needs love and devotion.

Bhaji and Biji did not only speak about this subject, they taught it practically. One time Biji stated, “Kirpal Sagar is like as washing machine, it can cleanse you.”

While working there, the thoughts are focused on spirituality and the purpose of human life. Then the worldly problems can be solved more easily. It is a great chance

for the soul to decide for the spiritual way of life and to learn the art of life.

At the time of Bhaji some people came to visit him. That time he was moulding the iron, and they asked Bhaji, “We want to meet the Chairman.” Bhaji told, “Yes, if you sit there, he will come.” He went to his room, changed the clothes and then went to meet them again. “But we met before,” they said and Bhaji answered, “Yes, we all are equal, and we have to work together, someone is on the chair and someone is not on the chair, but duty is one and the same.” S.K.

Above: During the construction work of the Sarovar, February 1982



Selfless service exceeds all virtues.

Selfless service overcomes the wishes.

Selfless service develops the spirit on the way back to God.

Selfless service clears the tentacles of the three worlds.

Selfless service develops humility and humanity.

Selfless service helps to know the cause and effect of the world.

Selfless service is blessed with right understanding.

Selfless service develops us as Conscious Co-worker of the Divine Plan.

Harbhajan Singh

Sarovar

A sacred place for silence and contemplation

The heart of Kirpal Sagar is the Sarovar, an oval-shaped pool surrounded by four Corner Buildings.

The edifice in the centre of the basin bears models of the four main types of sacred buildings: a Gurdawara, a Temple, a Mosque, and a Church. Their respective shapes symbolically refer to the human body, reminding us that God resides in man. They are found in all religious traditions as symbol of the man-body, which is the 'true temple of God'.

The relation between man and God is the basis of the unity of mankind – the brotherhood of men under the fatherhood of God. This spiritual link never depends upon outer formations. Therefore all religions are respected here. The Sarovar is a sacred place for contemplation, meditation and prayer.

Holy Scriptures – such as the Guru Granth Sahib of the Sikhs, the Ramayana of the Hindus, the Bible of the Christians, and the Koran of the Muslims – are



placed in the respective corner buildings of the Sarovar. During celebrations these Scriptures are recited accordingly.

The Sarovar symbolizes the endless ocean of life. Who is able to cross this immense ocean can return to his eternal home. The building amidst the Sarovar has the form of a ship, symbolizing the “Ship of Naam” which can take the soul across the ocean of life. The term “Naam or Word” denotes the God-into-expression power.

Though God resides everywhere and every place is holy where devotion kneels, it is a great chance for man if with His blessing a place can be established which is wholly and solely dedicated to the Godpower or Masterpower. The Central Building in the Sarovar is a focal point of His grace and is called “Sach Khand Bhawan” or “Master House”. In His name Initiation is given there.

Below: Sarovar, 2003



The Sarovar is going to be built only under the permission of the Master.

Harbhajan Singh

The work in the Sarovar was done with utmost care and a loveable attitude in remembrance of the God-power. From end of 1982 till February 1983, Indian and Western disciples were digging out the Sarovar. It was mainly done without machines, as Master had said He wanted to have this work done by the hands of His children. Everyone carried the earth in the Indian “Battas” (vessels to transport something on the head). It was a blessed time for all who worked. During the whole day one could hear the Indian ladies singing devotional songs, while Bhaji and Biji supervised the work.

To provide a strong base for the surrounding wall of the Sarovar, broken bricks were hammered into little pieces. These were filled into baskets and carried on the heads into the Sarovar. Biji and one helper put the first basket filled with this rubble on Bhaji’s head, and he himself carried it into the Sarovar.

Below: Sarovar under construction, 1983

Right: Dr. Harbhajan Singh carrying the first basket, February 1983





The Sarovar is going to be built only under the permission of the Master. It is not being built as a memorial, but per His order. Above all it is an inner subject: this Kabir Sagar which is now going to be built was never permitted before. Now only its name is changed to Kirpal Sagar.

Kabir Sagar is a place (inside), where all our karmas – actions and reactions, deaths and births – will be accounted for, and then one can cross the endless ocean of life. It is only through Kabir Sagar we cross it and then go to the conscious plane.

One day we will see that this Centre which is now growing every day, will become a wonderful place in the world, which will benefit the souls. Everyone who will come here will get something that is beyond expression. Master has explained most of the things, and these things, which are with us, we need to put

into practical form. And with His attention and His guidance this is being done now.

All the competent Masters who came into this world so far, are also present here, because it is their cause – our cause is only concerned with Master's work. This is a most fortunate and opportune time when on this ceremony such Powers are also here. Although we cannot see them outwardly with the physical eyes, with their power and vibration we can feel their presence.

So now we will sit in meditation in the sweet remembrance of Master to show our full efforts for the cause and work of the Master and for the service to humanity. Whatever we got out of the service will be everlasting. H.S.

Extract from the talk before laying the first brick



Before Bhaji laid the first brick, all got together early in the morning in the middle of the Sarovar for a short meditation. Thereafter Bhaji laid the first brick for the wall and then asked each one of us to pass him the next bricks to cement them in. With a shining face he stated, "Here you will be cemented together." At this moment everyone felt very clearly: Unity is very easy if God's grace is felt.



Dr. Harbhajan Singh laying the first brick in the Sarovar, February 1983



In 1985, the four Corner Buildings of the Sarovar were constructed, and the roofs cemented. This is a very hard work, because it must be done without any interruption, otherwise cracks could appear in the dried cement. For several days and nights helpers from India and the West cemented the roof without any break. By forming a chain, vessels filled with cement were passed on from hand to hand. It took some time until everybody learned to work in a common rhythm, but then the work went on with full vigour and joy, always accompanied by the Shabads sung by the workers. Bhaji and Biji stayed there until the work was finished.

One time it happened that the inner room of the first corner in the Sarovar had to be ready for the celebration of the Bhandara of Master's birthday, and the Western disciples took the duty to lay the tiles of the floor. Since they were not skilled workers, it took too long to lay them, and in the end the tiles were not even or loose. So Bhaji came, and with the help of two disciples he showed how to lay tiles so that they were not moving. He explained that Seva in the loving remem-

brance of God can even help an untrained helper to do the work in the proper way. Then the work could be accomplished in time.

When the construction of the first Corner-Building was completed, Bhaji held the first Satsang there. This picture always remains in our memory.

Above: Dr. Harbhajan Singh with his wife in the Sarovar, November 1993

Above right: The first Corner in the Sarovar, 1993

Below right: The Sarovar, 1985



You have seen all along your stay how people work here with loveable efforts. Three days they were working day and night without any break.

It is God's work, done by man, but inspired by God. It is done by human beings, but in reality it is God's work and through Him we get inspiration.

By the Grace of Sant Kirpal Singh this Satsang place is coming up now.

What is a Satsang? – To provide the missing link between God and man. And this is the purpose of this whole project, and along with it there is Man-making and Man-service.

All human beings come from one source, and they have to go back to the same source. All human beings have an inner relation of the soul, the consciousness, and that consciousness is based upon the super consciousness, the Oversoul. It is a very definite relation – man should work for man, and man should develop others. If man develops only himself, he will not be developed; but if he develops others, he will certainly be developed. A reformer was never a reformer until he started reforming others, because good wishes for others came in his heart, and this reformed himself. Without love, compassion, sympathy, and humility one cannot say that one is a human being.

Extract from the first Satsang in the Sarovar, 1985



Dr. Harbhajan Singh holding Satsang in front of the newly constructed Corner Building in the Sarovar, 1985



Church



Mosque



Bhaji was able to comply with Master's commandment and brought people from the different religions together. He removed their doubts and brought them on one stage. He did not only bring them on one stage, but also told whatever was the wish of the Master. He even brought some devotion in them, means they could develop love for the Master. He could unite them with the Masterpower.

Surinder Kaur



Temple



Gurdawara



16 November, 1994



Satsang in the Sarovar, 1993

Be conscious – God made man and man made religions.
Be conscious – all countries are the different chambers of the house of the Lord.
Be conscious – we are all brothers and sisters in God.

Harbhajan Singh



One Corner of the Sarovar



When the Sarovar will be ready, there will be a special grace from the Godpower. Man made religions, and God will bring them together. It was never the wish of the Master to separate His children by different labels and different colours.

We can keep all those things outwardly, but inwardly we need something more, and Master will provide for it. Those who will come will get something. Many Rishis and Munis have sent their children for Initiation. Such an awakening is there also in India. I think it is all the grace of the Masterpower. It is not our doing. Without grace nothing can be done. So first

there is grace, and then the practical doing, as it is now coming up in Kirpal Sagar. Master says, “When you will have completed all these things and the water will be filled into the Sarovar, a special grace will come up and people will witness it.” Now we have a very scheduled time, and we are working towards it.

When this work is going on, everywhere people are benefitted. So slowly, slowly there will be a big change.

H.S.

Left: One of the entrances to the Sarovar, 2006

Below: Sarovar, 2000



Kirpal Sagar includes various facilities: Kirpal Charitable Hospital, Kirpal Sagar Academy, Fathers' Home, Library, Sarovar, Kirpal Bhawan, Guest House, Lan-

gar and Management House, Agriculture and Dairy Farm and several Workshops.



Circuit in the Sarovar, called Parkarma

People can come to Kirpal Sagar at any time and get whatever they need. Whoever comes here will not go empty-handed, but will get for whatever purpose he has come. If someone wants medical help, he can get it. If he is needy, Kirpal Sagar can provide social help, if he wants to solve the purpose of human life and get nourishment for the soul, he can get it. Even if someone comes only to view the place, he will get something.

Harbhajan Singh







Kirpal Charitable Hospital

The hospital offers various methods of treatment, such as allopathic, homoeopathic and ayurvedic

Due to the weak infrastructure of this rural area it is very difficult to get medical treatment, especially for the needy. “Medical Camps” provided help for patients from the surrounding villages before the Hospital eventually took up its function in 1983 as the first facility within the Project.

Disadvantaged people obtain free medical care and medicine. At present a majority of the patients are treated as outpatients. Furthermore, ambulances reach

out to remote villages at central gathering points, such as schools, to provide medical care for people who otherwise would not have the chance to see a doctor. From time to time external eye specialists come to Kirpal Sagar to perform eye operations. In 1995 a new Hospital was built, and the previous building now serves as hostel for the students of the Kirpal Sagar Academy.

Right: Dr. Harbhajan Singh attending a patient
Below: The Kirpal Charitable Hospital, 2007





The Hospital was first a one-storied building with a few rooms, where sometimes during the time of construction the volunteers were also accommodated. Later on the building was enlarged into a big two-storied complex with two wings.

In September 1983, a twenty-seated bus was brought from Europe to Kirpal Sagar, which for many years served as an ambulance. A continuous supply of medicine was sent from Germany and Switzerland. At times

doctors and medical practitioners from the West assist in the Hospital.

Despite his sole responsibility for the project, Bhaji spent enough time for attending patients. He never was dependent on much technical equipment; by speaking with the patients and feeling their pulse he could know their disease and find the proper remedy.





Left: Hospital in the beginning, 1985
Right: Hospital. 1993





It is the grace of the Master that many patients suffering from serious problems and chronic diseases are cured, and sometimes incurable cases also come to the Hospital at Kirpal Sagar. Patients' relatives, friends or parents are happy to bring them to us even if they know that their illness is incurable, knowing that we will attend them. What happens? The next day patients begin to feel well. They say they feel much better.

What actually happens is that they did not really get cured, but their soul has awakened. When one comes to a place where the Godpower works, the mind sleeps and the soul awakens. **H.S.**

Left and right: Free medical care for needy patients



We envisage such an atmosphere where persons will be able to grow and develop integrally without losing contact with their soul.

Sant Kirpal Singh

Kirpal Sagar Academy

To give help for self-help has always been the concern of Kirpal Sagar and the precondition for it is a well founded education

This school here is very different. From the beginning we told how to develop the children, how to create self-confidence and make them self-centred, broad-hearted and cosmopolitan.

Now even other schools have started to take the Kirpal Sagar Academy as an example.

Parents tell us that here it is a good place for studying purposes, as it is away from the hustle and bustle of the cities. The most important part is the calm atmosphere. Whoever comes here always gets some vibration out of the holy atmosphere. **H.S.**





Right: Laying the foundation stone for the future Kirpal Sagar Academy, 1983
Below: Kirpal Sagar Academy, 2007







In April 1988 the Kirpal Sagar Academy was inaugurated in which students of disadvantaged families receive scholarships. The Academy started with several elementary classes and 117 children and was extended by and by. It now accommodates more than 500 students ranging from five to eighteen years of age.

The Kirpal Sagar Academy is a State approved Private School. The classes follow an international curriculum (CBSE-Standard). It is a boarding school, but accepts also non-residential students. Especially Indian families living abroad want their children to study in Kirpal Sagar, so that they can do their studies without losing their cultural roots, but at the same time learn to live open-minded with a cosmopolitan view.

The education is based on the higher values of life, and the children are taught humanity above outer labels, caste, colour, and creed. The children remain in their own religions but they learn to stay above the shackles of the religions.

Now the hostel for the boarders, as well as the mess and the dining room, are located in one part of the former hospital building and started functioning in April 1989. As the number of students at the Kirpal Sagar Academy has risen to over 500, further hostel buildings were constructed. In the middle part of the school, a beautiful courtyard, a computer block, an internet café and a swimming pool were built, and possibilities for horse riding and karate facilities etc. were provided. The Academy always contributes to festivities with a manifold cultural programme.

Above left: Science block and Senior Secondary block

Centre above: Physics Laboratory

Above right: Opening a school exhibition



Here we teach humanity. We have seen practically that our students here have risen above lots of problems which even their forefathers could not solve. Now parents come to us and say that morally their children are very much developed and they thank us for that purpose.

Harbhajan Singh





In fact it is very simple to teach the child – the practical school is at home. We need very good schools, but the main school is the home. If they are taught in the right way (by seeing the good example) they will be good citizens and spiritual children who lead a very normal life. We always say that we want very good schools, but when the children are spoilt in their first school, they will not succeed in any other school of the world. That is the problem.

Love means to let them know what is right and what is wrong. If we do not give right understanding to our children and are merely create attachments, we will bother us and the children as well. Mostly we create such environment for the child that it becomes part and parcel of the attachment. Give him a palace and all amenities, it will be a useless person in the world. Give one child right understanding – love free of attachment – if you leave such a child in the forest, it



Bhaji cared very much about the school. He himself selected the teachers and kept close contact with teachers and parents. Many times he addressed the children on the occasion of school programmes.

will make a palace there. Master said, “Do not create any attachment, it will bring you back into the world.” This give and take will remain there.

I never say to anybody, “Forget your children, forget all these things.” No, you have created attachment, it is because of the background that they have come along with you. Now you have to develop them. You have to fulfil their wish. What is their wish? They also

need the contact (with God). They know that from within. Once one knows about it, then one cries for it. Birth was only given to the child to get the missing link with God again. That was its cause. So we have to help our children for the reality – we have to give them right understanding with each and every breath.

H.S.

Library

As advised by Sant Kirpal Singh, the Library is being equipped with Holy Scriptures of different religions which will be supplemented by selected philosophical literature and biographies of eminent personalities.





A man must know his identity in the world and his purpose, what he needs and from where it is available, how it is available and who will deliver it. By reading and analyzing all these Holy Scriptures one knows about the higher values of life, that is the purpose of the Library. **H.S.**

The outer aspects of religion include the beliefs and outer forms of worship, which may differ a lot. When the inner essence falls into oblivion, these outer aspects receive too much importance. Therein lies the danger

that – through narrow-mindedness and dogmatism – religion turns into shackles for man and may even become a cause of war and strife. The aim of the Library is to encourage a comparative study of religions and to promote an independent view.

Above: Front view of the Library, 2007

Left: Dr. Harbhajan Singh commenting the exhibition in the Library, February 1994

God bless you to know yourself and to know your Overself.

God bless you to live for others.

God bless you to overcome your mind and ego.

God bless you with the Divine Love in you.

God bless you with the hidden values in you.

God bless you with your lost heritage in you.

God bless you to be His messenger.

God bless you to distribute His heritage.

God bless you to meet a good end of your life.

God bless you with eternal life.

Harbhajan Singh



Dr. Harbhajan Singh at the Library, 7 February, 1994

Kirpal Bhawan

The hall for Satsangs and Conferences had been constructed within 29 days only, due to the full attention of Bhaji and Biji and the assistance of many workers



The Kirpal Bhawan is a huge hall providing place for thousands of people participating in various events, such as celebrations, lectures and conferences.

During these events spiritual personalities as well as representatives of various religions and creeds give talks to a large audience gathering from all walks of

life. The sayings of the Saints and Sages are explained and correlated in a simple and clear language.

The Kirpal Bhawan became functional on the occasion of the World Conference on Unity of Man in 1994. All festivities or “Bhandaras” since then have been celebrated in the Kirpal Bhawan.

Unity of Man actually means that all should get together on the level of man and digest the teaching in the true sense, develop themselves and work for God.

Harbhajan Singh



Guest House

In co-operation with Western helpers the Guest House was accomplished in February 1994



Above left: Laying the foundation stone of the Guest House
Below left: Guest House, 2007
Right: Entrance of the Guest House, 2007.





In the eighties, small groups of helpers from Europe visiting Kirpal Sagar were accommodated in rooms in the Langar. In the nineties, the number of guests from all over the world increased steadily, so that additional accommodations had to be provided.

During the preparations for the World Conference in 1994, a Guest House for Western visitors was built according to Western standards. Meanwhile, beautiful parks and blooming gardens give a charming and idyllic picture to the surrounding area. The 'Sangat House' has further accommodation facilities, which are additionally needed on the occasion of festivities.





Above left: Sangat House, 2007
Below left: Foyer in the Guest House
Below right: Reception in the dining room, 1994



Fathers' Home

The first part of the Home for the Aged was inaugurated during the World Conference on Unity of Man in 1994



Here is not any distinction between young and old. We take all human beings on the level of soul, and on the level of soul we love each other.

Harbhajan Singh

Left: Dr. Harbhajan Singh laying the foundation stone for the Fathers' Home
Right: One part of the Fathers' Home

The need for a Fathers' Home arose, as many families cannot afford to take care of both, their children and their elderly generation. Here they have a new home and all the necessary care. If they are able to share their knowledge and technical skills, they have the opportunity to contribute to the Project, while living in an atmosphere dedicated to their physical and spiritual welfare.





Bhaji told about an old couple who was living in the Fathers' Home. They had five children who were well to do but did not care for their parents. After some times the mother fell sick and wanted to see her children. They only came after ten days. The mother was in a very precarious condition, she met them very loveably, and when they went back she left the body.

Then we asked her husband who was also in the Fathers' home, where to send the body. And he wept, "If there would have been any son of us who would have helped us we would never have wished to come over here. We have no one. You do all those formalities for us."

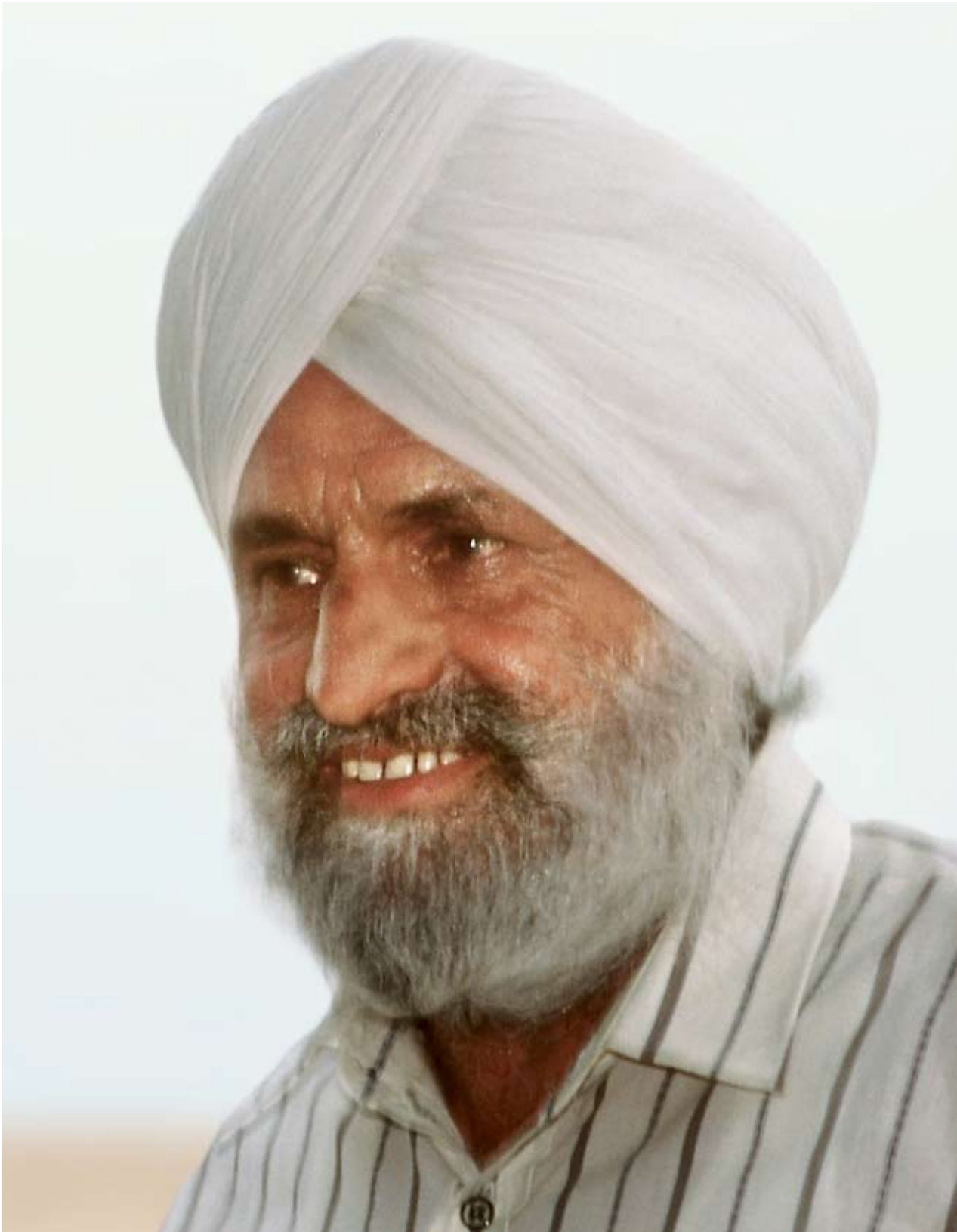
Then according to the rituals (of their religion) her body was cremated and we went to Hardwar, where the remains were passed over to the river Ganges. We asked the relatives, "What do you want to do further?" They said, "We want the reading of the Holy

Ramayana." I agreed, and we brought four persons from Amritsar who were competent to read it. They asked us to participate, and we participated with all formalities. Many Yogis, Rishis and Munis also came there. When the relatives went back to Amritsar, they said, "People speak much about unity, but if you want to see the unity, go to Kirpal Sagar." In this way the teaching of the Master and the name of Kirpal Sagar went everywhere.

Those who are not wanted by anybody, they are at least wanted by the Master Himself. He said, "Okay, if nobody wants him, I want him." Those who are helpless, they are being helped by the Godpower.

Above left: Courtyard of the Fathers' Home

Below left: Students of the Kirpal Academy visiting the Fathers' Home



Langar – Common Kitchen

It was the second building in Kirpal Sagar and was enlarged year by year. For long time the Langar was the centre of activities.



Dr. Harbhajan Singh with his wife in the Langar, 1985





Biji in the Langar, 1986



Courtyard of the Langar



The Langar is a common kitchen which daily provides vegetarian food for more than 300 people. On the occasion of festivities and other important events thousands of people have their meals in the inner court of the Langar. During the World Conference on Unity of Man in 1994 the common kitchen was working day and night to provide meals for the participants. The number of chapaties (Indian bread) prepared was estimated at 180.000.

Biji always felt responsible for the Langar. Before the construction of the Langar started, Bhaji told her to decide about its size. Biji simply took along one of the workers and stepped out the outlines. The building finally was so big that there were many rooms for guests and staff, workshops and stocks as well as Bhaji's office and a meeting room.

Left: Langar and Management House, 2007



Part of the Langar where the visitors mostly stayed until 1994

The first floor in the Langar accommodates Bhaji's and Biji's room. In the beginning the workers also stayed in the Langar and enjoyed to live door to door with Bhaji and Biji.

One room was reserved there as the first Satsang room in Kirpal Sagar. Here often Bhaji held morning talks with the Westerners.



Dr. Harbhajan Singh with his wife in front of their room



Agriculture and Dairy Farm

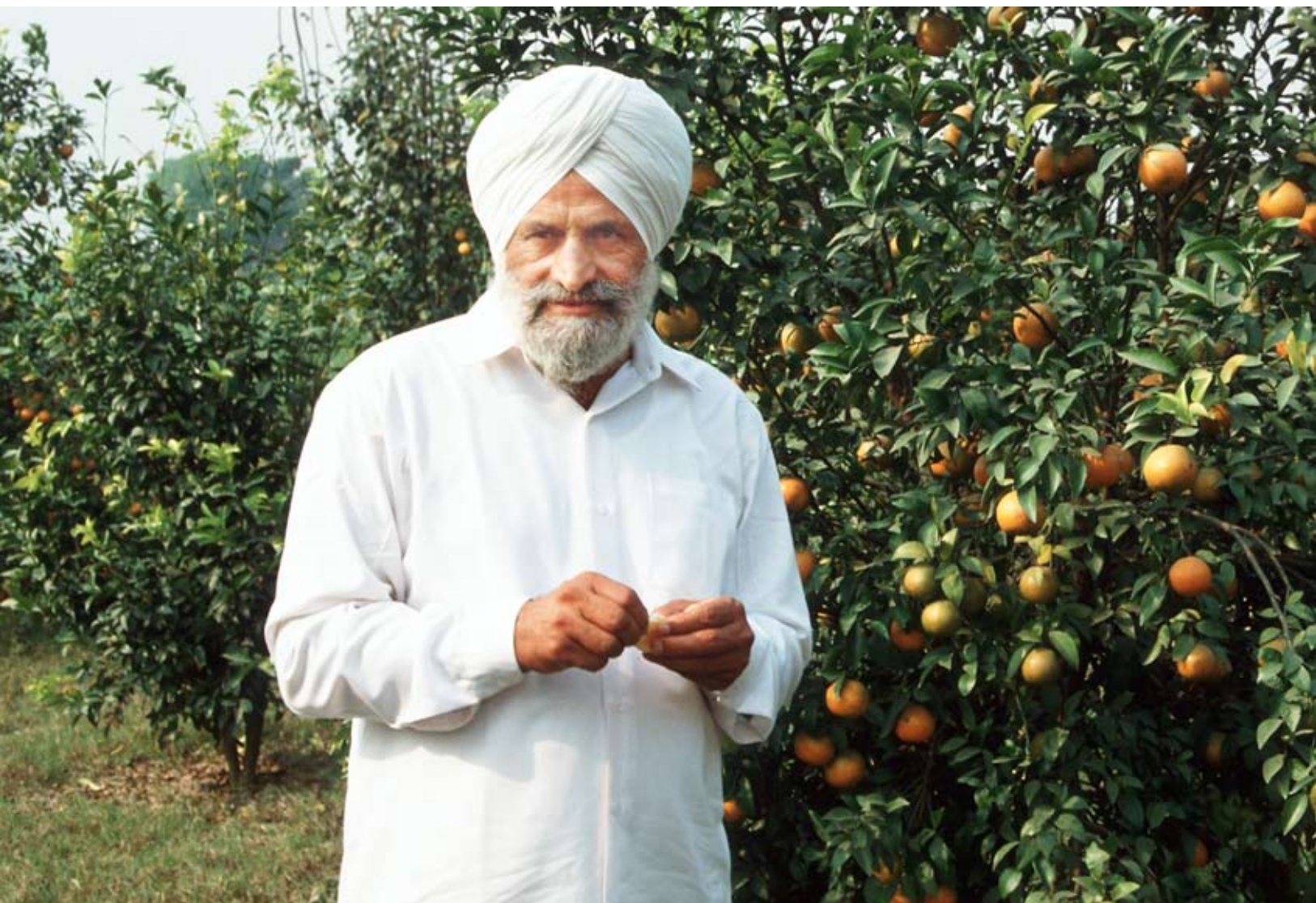
Kirpal Sagar started 1973 from Master's Farm, which then comprised nine fields of land



When Sant Kirpal Singh visited the Farm in October 1973, He pointed at the surroundings and said to Bhaji, "A time will come when about 800 kg of pulses will be required daily. At least forty hectares of land will be needed." Bhaji acquired as much land as possible in order to make the project self-sufficient with basic food and to have a green belt around the Centre.







Today Kirpal Sagar covers of about 80 hectares. The Agricultural and Dairy Farm are operated according to modern standards. The Agricultural Farm mainly provides wheat, rice, vegetables, cane sugar and vegetable oils.

The Dairy Farm yields enough milk to produce butter and other dairy products for the whole Centre. Bhaji often brought bundles of fresh fruits for all.

Bhaji also wanted to have beekeeping and to grow fruit trees, different sorts salad plants, and vegetables from everywhere. Today one avocado tree brought from the West which was planted at Bhaji's time, now carries fruit.

Above: Dr. Harbhajan Singh in the orange plantation, 1993

Above left: Entrance to the Agriculture Farm, 2007

Below left: Milk and tomato sauce production

Park

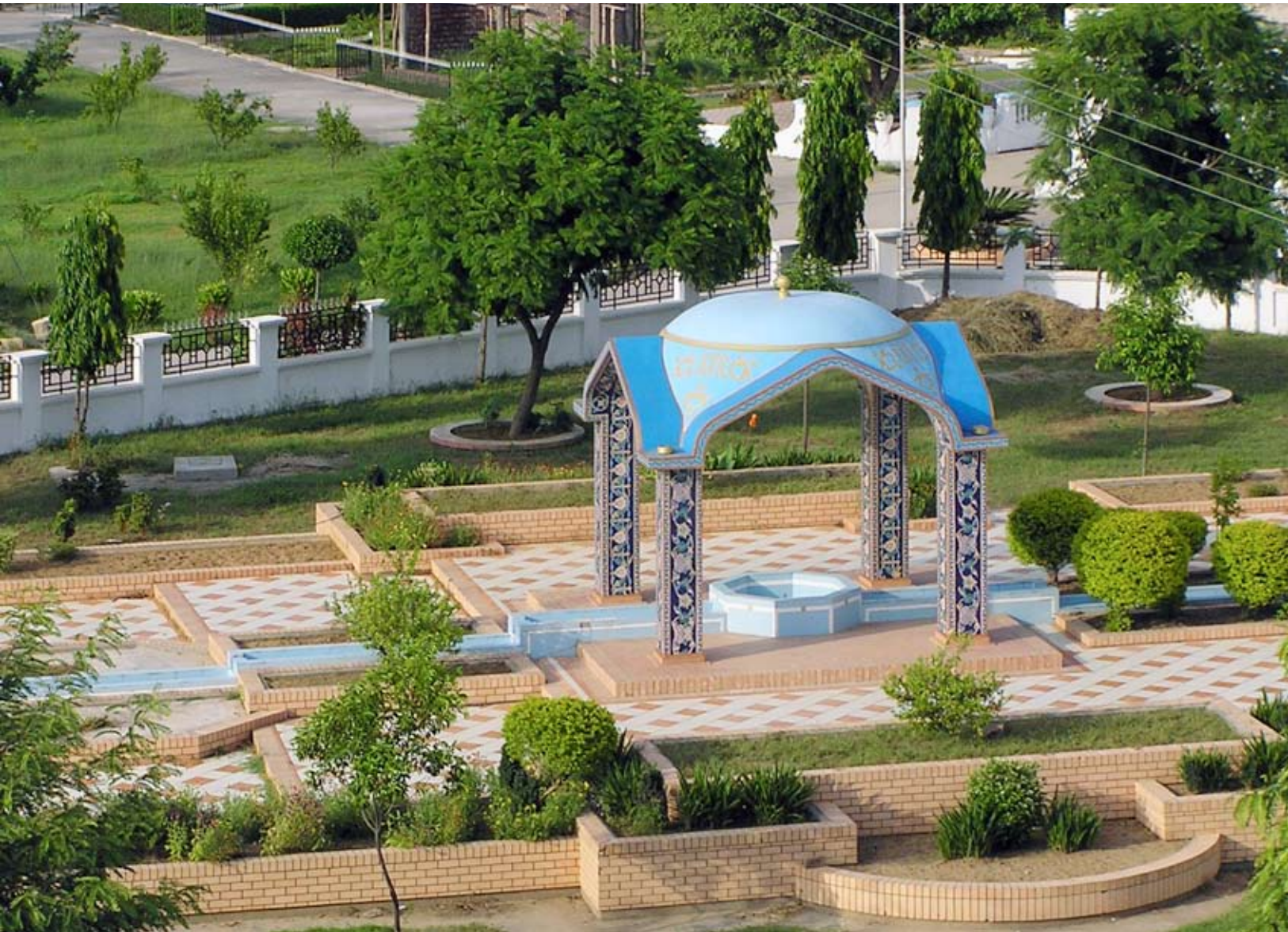
Many gardeners are busy taking care of the park, always creating beautiful new flowerbeds and cultivating all kinds of flowers in the nursery. Amidst fragrant and colourful blooms you can enjoy fountains and water games.



He has given us this very pure flowing Sagar (Kirpal Sagar) and He Himself has become absorbed in it. He has given His grace, and He has given His Sagar for us to live in. When we get in contact with Kirpal Sagar, the soul attains inner peace and happiness.

Surinder Kaur

During a visit of a horticultural exhibition in Stuttgart, Germany, both, Bhaji and Biji were fascinated by a Persian garden. Bhaji very loveably said, "This Park I want to have created in Kirpal Sagar, and I will help the one who helps me to create it." It was his cherished idea to have plenty of plants and flowers from all over the world in Kirpal Sagar.





One day two persons came to Kirpal Sagar who were not initiated and even knew very little about spirituality. They were also not known to me, someone had told them to pass by here. We were sitting nearly for one hour and I told something about the Masterpower. One of them had a question which he said to be very important for him. He told, "I have a very busy life and have always some tension in the body, and few days back this tension became so tight that it caught hold of my forehead and I was unable to think anything else. I thought that I would get mental. When I entered Kirpal Sagar, this tightness went away like anything. There is no problem any more." I said, "When you will return, the same problem will arise", and he replied, "At least I know I have one remedy now. So far nobody could tell us how to get rid of this problem. Only by coming to this place, I could find that there is something higher and I have a solution now." H.S.





Whenever anybody asked Bhaji, "Do you need anything?", he answered, "For myself I do not need anything, but I need such a dress, such a beauty, for Kirpal Sagar which will never end. Kirpal Sagar is my heart – if you love me, you should have love and respect for this place."

Surinder Kaur