

# Inspirational Prayer

*Santaan ke karaj aap khaloya, har kam carravan aaya Raam*

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It was just a few days ago that I came to hear the above shabad being live telecast from Harmandir Sahib. It so entered my soul that my eyes witnessed that Guru Sahib Himself is standing with me and the Anand Karaj of my eldest daughter, Upneet is being performed. My drenched eyes spoke of the utmost joy and thanked the Supreme Being with my trembling voice standing witness to the Blessed scene.

The shabad didn't leave me and as the Prakaash Utsav approached today, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2005, one Gurmukh friend narrated to me the sakhi....

.....In sixteenth century, when the sewa of the holy sarowar at Harmandir Sahib was being performed under the fifth pathshahi, Guru Arjan Dev ji – one night the tired sewadars and Guru Sahebaan were resting after a hectic days sewa. Just before Amritwela, all woke up to some noise, as though someone is doing the sewa outside. Astonished as to who can it be, some sewadars went out to see and reported the matter to Guruji, in a state of total disbelief and great shock. What they saw was that there were some “elahi aatmaas” performing the sewa and the big tokra's which they were carrying, were not resting on their heads but were much above it. Guruji himself went out to see and found that all the gods, goddesses (Krishanji, Ramji, Sitaji, Lakshmanji ...) and numerous spiritual souls are all present and performing the sewa. It was there that Guruji spoke thus and narrated the shabad .....

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It was later endorsed in the Guru Granth Sahib. As the Guru Granth Sahib got fully compiled and was complete, one auspicious day on 1<sup>st</sup> September 1604, Bhai Buddaji led the procession carrying the Guru Granth Sahib on his head with Guru Arjan Dev ji walking behind him and doing the chaur. Guru Granth Sahib was then laid and installed at Harmandir Sahib and the first vaak was taken which came out to be .....

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Wishing you Happy and prosperous 401st Prakash Utsav with a prayer that every line in Guru Granth Sahib enters “in within” and takes a practical shape in our lives.

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