



MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH

1792-1857

THE LUMINARY FIGURE OF MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH EMERGES AS THE ILLUSTRIOUS ARCHITECT OF THE GRAND PRINCIPALITY KNOWN AS THE STATE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR, A REALM THAT BORE WITNESS TO HIS INDOMITABLE SPIRIT AND SAGACIOUS LEADERSHIP THROUGHOUT THE 19TH CENTURY.

**BORN ON 21 OCTOBER 1792 IN VILLAGE
ANDERWAH**

**AT THE TENDER AGE OF 16, HE JOINED THE
SIKH ARMY OF MAHARAJA RANJIT SINGH.**

**HE LED MANY SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGNS FOR
MAHARAJA RANJIT SINGH LIKE THE CONQUEST OF
JULLANDER, MULTAN, KASHMIR AND KISHTWAR.**

FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICES TO THE SOLIDARITY, INTEGRITY AND STABILITY OF THE SIKH STATE, HE RECEIVED REMARKABLE APPRECIATION FROM MAHARAJA RANJIT SINGH.

ON JUNE 17, 1822 MAHARAJA RANJIT SINGH BESTOWED GULAB SINGH THE TITLE OF “RAJA”.



MAHARAJA RANJIT SINGH PERSONALLY APPLIED THE TILAK ON HIS FOREHEAD FROM TOP TO BOTTOM, AT THE HISTORIC JIA POTA TREE ON THE BANK OF CHENAB AT AKHNOOR FORT.

**ON 16 MARCH 1846, THE TREATY OF AMRITSAR
WAS SIGNED.**

**‘RAJA’ GULAB SINGH BECAME “THE
MAHARAJA” OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR.**

MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH
MEMORIAL TRUST

**FOUNDED IN 1959 UNDER THE VISIONARY
LEADERSHIP OF DR. KARAN SINGH JI AND
MAHARANI YASHO RAJYA LAKSHMI**

**FOUNDATION WAS LAID IN JAMMU TO
COMMEMORATE THE TOWERING LEGACY OF
MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH**

**THE TRUST, GOVERNED BY ITS FOUNDING CHARTER,
FORMS A MANAGING COMMITTEE BIENNIALLY TO
ENSURE THE SMOOTH FUNCTIONING OF ITS
DIVERSE UNDERTAKINGS**

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY THE TRUST :

- 1. AN ANNUAL HIGHLIGHT OF THE TRUST IS THE CELEBRATION OF MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH'S BIRTH ANNIVERSARY. THE TRUST HAS BEEN CONTRIBUTING RS. 30000 ANNUALLY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF RAJ TILAK DIVAS AT JIA POTA, AKHNOOR**
- 2. THE TRUST FURTHER PERPETUATES THIS LEGACY BY ANNUALLY AWARDING THE PRESTIGIOUS "MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH AWARD"**

**4. SCHOLARSHIPS AND ASSISTANCE FOR
EDUCATION, AMOUNTING RS 4500/ PER MONTH**

**5. ASSISTANCE FOR MARRIAGE, HEALTHCARE AND
REHABILITATION**

**6. SUPPORT TO CHARITABLE AND RELIGIOUS
INSTITUTIONS**

OBJECTIVES :

- 1. TO CONDUCT RESEARCH RELATED TO THE HISTORY OF THE DOGRA ROYAL FAMILY**
- 2. TO ENCOURAGE WRITERS AND RESEARCH WORKERS BY PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**
- 3. TO SET UP AND MAINTAIN LIBRARIES AND READING ROOMS FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC**
- 4. TO WORK FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE CULTURAL TRADITIONS OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR**

TRUSTEES



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TRUSTEE



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TRUSTEE

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R.K. RANVIJAY
TRUSTEE

MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH
RESEARCH CENTRE

SET UP ON 19TH OCT 2017

**ESTABLISHED WITH A VISION TO FUNCTION AS A
PREMIER HUB FOR SCHOLARLY RESEARCH
DEDICATED TO THE INTRICATE HISTORY, DYNAMIC
CULTURE, AND ENDURING HERITAGE OF THE
PRINCELY STATE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR REGION**

COMMITTED TO MAINTAINING HIGH ACADEMIC STANDARDS, THE CENTRE ACTIVELY PROMOTES AWARENESS OF THE REGION'S RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE THROUGH VARIOUS INITIATIVES, INCLUDING SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, AND PUBLICATIONS

THE CENTRE'S CORE MISSION REVOLVES AROUND THE PROMOTION AND PRESERVATION OF THE CULTURAL ETHOS OF THE DOGRA DYNASTY

THE CENTRE HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN ORGANIZING A SERIES OF INTERACTIVE SESSIONS THAT DELVE INTO DIVERSE THEMES CENTRAL TO JAMMU'S HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL IDENTITY

THE CENTRE SHOWCASED THE DOCUMENTARY GULAB GATHA, DIRECTED BY SHRI BALWANT THAKUR WHICH OFFERS AN INSIGHTFUL EXPLORATION OF MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH'S LIFE AND LEGACY

ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT DIMENSION OF THE CENTRE'S WORK HAS BEEN THE ORGANIZATION OF REGULAR SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

FIVE MAJOR NATIONAL SEMINARS HAVE BEEN HELD, FOCUSING ON PROMINENT FIGURES LIKE MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH (02), MAHARAJA HARI SINGH, MAHARAJA RANBIR SINGH, AND GENERAL ZORAWAR SINGH

**FORTHCOMING SEMINAR:
EXPLORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAHARAJA PRATAP SINGH ON 22 AND 23 OCT 2024**

PUBLICATIONS BY THE RESEARCH CENTRE:

- 1. LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAHARAJA GULAB SINGH**
- 2. LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAHARAJA HARI SINGH**
- 3. LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAHARAJA RANBIR SINGH
(SCHEDULED TO BE RELEASED SHORTLY)**