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# 1984 Aftermath- When hope lights up the darkness, An act of courage by Nishkam

After the assassination of former Prime Gandhi. Minister Indira of children hundreds became due the destitute anti-Sikh to in Delhi. Meanwhile. massacre Nishkam Sewadar S. Kulbir Singh along with other Nishkam Sewadars started making efforts for education of the fatherless/orphan children spending their days in the camps. In an exclusive interview with BBC, S. Kulbir Singh explains how he encouraged children to study in that environment. Watch the video and read more on BBC Punjabi.

Turn Back Time



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A moment of pride for all, globally renowned media giants like BBC etc. have highlighted Nishkam not only this time but earlier too. We never feel portraying ourselves in high pitch but humbly keep working for the past 40 years. This time we feel it is important to showcase our trust with you as the phase of generational change is happening around, we lost many pioneers and many don't even know about our past. It seems crucial to revive our sentiments in the fast-paced social media stage, we will keep updating more in our upcoming editions.

I was afraid that the victimized children would become strays and drug addicts, that's why hundreds of children were sent to school.

**Kulbir Singh** 

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### **SUCCESS SPEAKS**

### IMPAGT

Vocational Education Success Story



## **Mobilizing Hopes: From Cart Vendor to Admin Executive**

Many non-profits keep Mobilizers on the job who go into the community and become key influencers. They help the youth and their parents, with awareness of what kind of career opportunities are out there. But our Nishkam sewadars have an instinct to keep looking for the deserving and needy and help them through Nishkam's welfare schemes. In such an incident, S. Udeshpal Singh, a Computer Teacher at Nishkam Delhi, came across Chunchun Prasad sitting beside his brother a street hawker in a local bazaar. After interacting with them Initially, the brothers were hesitant to converse but soon began showing interest in the conversation. Udeshpal told them about the various courses being offered by Nishkam and the benefits of learning computers. A few days later, Chunchun visited the Centre and joined the Basic IT course being offered. With the motivation of Udeshpal and his discipline, he finished his course and got a job in a semi govt. institution. He felt thankful for the knowledge and the opportunity he got to make him feel capable of living a dignified life instead of an uncertain life as a Hawker.



# The first girl in a family earning in the Corporate World

Manpreet belongs to a lower-middle-class family settled in Delhi. She is the eldest of her siblings. Her father is an E-Rickshaw Driver, the only earning source in the family. Manpreet's father is an alcoholic and spends most of his earnings on buying alcohol. Despite the difficult situation at home, Manpreet completed her schooling and pursued graduation through distance education. She wanted to do a job. When she came across the Nishkam Computer Centre being run at Nishkam Bhawan, Delhi, her life underwent a big transformation. She was looking for a job but no one would give her an opportunity without computer skills. She took timely action by enrolling soon into this course. By the end of the data entry course and learning advanced Excel, Manpreet got a job as a Sales Executive in A M P Motors - Jaguar Service Center - Khandsa, Gurgaon and managed to earn a dignified salary. She feels that she rises in her own eyes while comparing the life she had been living earlier with her family in hopelessness.



### Nishkam Computer Centre-Sri Muktsar Sahib, Punjab

- 40 students graduated from the Basic Digital Literacy program made possible by the donors of the Nishkam family. These future hopes are job-ready and will be the breadwinners for themselves and their families in the coming future.
- 40 students enrolled in the Basic Digital Literacy program
  this month, with a strength of a maximum of 10 students
  in one batch, we have started the course by providing full
  attention and machine usage for every individual. We
  wish all the best for these new hopes to attain knowledge
  and strengthen their dreams.

Proud moment for Nishkam Sikh Welfare Council! We've granted Rs. 67,200 in scholarships to 30 students at Khalsa Senior Secondary School, Sri Muktsar Sahib. These school students belong to needy families and are studying in school (Class 8 to 12) Your support makes this impact possible. Let's continue to make education accessible for all!



Completion of Course



New Batch



Scholars >





### **Webinar on Banking Career**

On 29th Dec., a webinar on career prospects in the banking sector was held by the Institute of Professional Banking (IPB). Ms. Sumeet Kaur, SVP of Sales and Marketing, IPB highlighted the career prospects after college studies and how one can enrol in various courses for a banking career. IPB along with Nishkam have been jointly sponsoring the students for the Post Graduate Certificate Course in Retail Banking (a mix of online & and offline learning) having a fee of Rs. 60,000 with scholarships up to Rs. 40,000 available (Nishkam – Rs. 20,000 | IPB institute – Rs. 20,000) and student have to pay Rs. 20,000 for the three-month course. For course details check: https://www.nishkam.org/banking-program-scholarship/

### **Nishkam Music Centre Update**

#### **NISHKAM MUSIC CENTRE**

(Affiliated to Prayag Sangeet Samiti)
(A Deemed University)
Result for the Session 2022-23

The students have shown tremendous success in the outcome. Have a look at the result summary.

Total number of students appeared	72
First Division	72 (100%)
Double Distinction in theory and practical both	39
Single Distinction in Practical	54
Single Distinction in Theory	39

Bravo to our students and highly qualified teachers!



## Nishkam Staff taken on a tour of Gurdwara Sahibs



Nishkam staff members were taken on a two-day-long tour covering three Sikh heritage Gurdwara sahibs in Punjab on Monday. The staff were briefed about the cultural and historical heritage of the monuments -Gurdwara Bhatta Sahib, Gurdwara Parivaar Vichora Sahib, Kiratpur Sahib and Anandpur Sahib, Gurdwaras in Saheri, Gurdwara Sri Kotwali Sahib-Morinda (all in Rupnagar 'Ropar' district) Gurdwara Fatehgarh Sahib in Fatehgarh Sahib district and Gurudwara Charan Kanwal Sahib Machhiwara, Ludhiana during the trip. It's been after a gap of almost two decades the trip was planned for a staff excursion, however, Nishkam has been organising such tours to promote awareness about heritage sites among beneficiaries. Such tours have been touted to serve as an edutainment tool for staff/beneficiaries to keep themselves updated about the history of the renowned monuments.

### **Students Shown Movie**



A special screening of the movie 'Chaar Sahibzaade Part-2' was held for the students of Nishkam Tuition Centre at Nishkam Bhawan, Delhi. The movie was based on the life and sacrifice of the four sons of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji. The main idea behind the activity was to strengthen the faith and belief of the students who paid their respect to the divine souls who were martyred and to remind everyone of the supreme sacrifice of the Sikh Gurus.

# **Your deeds are your** monuments.'

-R.J. Palacio

Your deeds are like your monuments.
Built with memories instead of stone.
Meaning we should be remembered for the things we do.

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