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To All Gurdwaras
The President/ Secretary
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Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa
Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh

**Re : Purported “Hukamnama” by Jathedar Patna Sahib on 5th Jan
2017 is an OPINION**

There is a widespread message being spread through Instagram Video, whatsapp, etc. relating to supposed edict issued purportedly by Jathedar Patna Sahib on 5th Jan 2017, which is being falsely conveyed as Hukamnama.

The purported message being circulated is “No person or group has the right or power to question, doubt or disrespect the complete saroop of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji Maharaj from Ek Onkar to Atharah Das Bees, the complete form of Sri Dasam Granth Sahib Ji, the five Bania of Amrit Sanchar, Guru Ithihas, Sikh Ithihas and Maryada”.

The Sikh Rehat Maryada (SRM) is unequivocal in its support of Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji and the Gurbani contained in its 1430 Ang and as the living Guru of the Sikhs. Further the five Bania of Amrit Sanchar are already included in SRM. Guru Ithihas and Sikh Ithihas are also accepted by SRM.

Thus, the further inclusion of “the complete form of Sri Dasam Granth” in the above message is not sanctioned by Panth and the SRM.

The following facts should be noted:

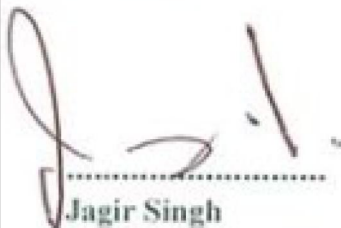
1. There was no Hukamnama issued by Patna Sahib Jathedar. He had stated his opinion while giving his speech.
Thus reference to it as “Hukamnama” is misleading and incorrect.

2. That only Akal Thakt can issue "Hukamnamas, Mattas, Gurmattas, etc." The other 4 Thakhts (Patna Sahib, Keshgarh Sahib, Hazur Sahib and Damdama Sahib), are subservient to Akal Thakt and cannot issue any Hukamnamas.
3. The website of the above mentioned 4 Thakhts, show that there has never been any Hukamnama issued by them. Their websites only carry Akal Thakht's Hukamnama.
4. That Jathedars of Akal Thakht, Keshgarh Sahib, and Damdama Sahib did not attend Patna Sahib Semagam on 5th Jan 2017, as invitation to them was withdrawn.
5. That no Hukamnama, Matta, Adesh, opinion can contradict SRM.

Gurdwaras are therefore kindly requested to ignore the false message about "Patna Sahib Hukamnama" being spread through the mass media. It is only an opinion expressed during speech.

The Gurdwaras must continue to be guided by the Panth Parvanak SIKH REHAT MARYADA (SRM), and anything in conflict with it should be rejected.

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