

Report on Book Discussion and Book Launch Ceremony: "Hariya Raagle - Life and History of General Hari Singh Nalwa" organised by Mata Sundri college for Women

Date: 29th January 2024

Organized by: Department of Punjabi and Ustat, Divinity Society of MSCW

Chief Guests: Prof. Rawail Singh, Prof Manjeet Singh, S. Kulbir Singh,

Authors of the book : S. Jaswinder Singh Jolly, Dr. Manpreet Singh

Speakers: Dr. Harvinder Singh, Dr. Gurvinder Kaur

Event Coordinator: Dr. Jasmeet Kaur

On 29th January 2024, Mata Sundri College hosted a significant event - a Book Discussion on "Hariya Raagle," the Life and History of General Hari Singh Nalwa. The authors of the book, S.Rajinder Singh Jolly and Dr. Manpreet Singh, played a central role in the discussions.

This event was a collaborative effort between the Department of Punjabi and Ustat, Divinity Society. The Chief Guests for the occasion were Prof. Rawail Singh, Prof Manjeet Singh and Kulbir Singh. The event started with an introductory address by the Principal, Prof. Harpreet Kaur, who warmly welcomed the guests. Prof. Harpreet Kaur also provided an insightful introduction to the book and its historical significance. Guests were felicitated by the Principal and Dr. Gurjeet Kaur and Ms. Jaspal Kaur. Prof. Manjeet Singh, former Jathedar Kes Garh Sahib couldn't attend the event and sent his wishes.

Critical Analysis and Reviews: Following the author's presentation, Dr. Gurvinder Kaur, Department of Commerce and Dr. Harwinder Singh, Department of Punjabi provided critical analysis and reviews of the book. Their insights added depth to the audience's understanding of General Hari Singh Nalwa's life and historical context. It offered a comprehensive understanding of the book's significance, placing it in the broader context of Sikh history.

The event encouraged active participation from the audience. Students were given the opportunity to ask questions, which further enriched the discussion. The authors and the panelists responded to inquiries, contributing to a dynamic exchange of ideas. This interactive session allowed for a deeper exploration of the subject matter and fostered a sense of engagement among the attendees

The event concluded at 1:15 PM, leaving a lasting impact on the participants. The thought-provoking and enriching discussion delved into various aspects of Hari Singh Nalwa's life, inspiring the audience to delve deeper into the hidden facets of Sikh history. The Book Discussion proved to be a valuable platform for intellectual exchange and reflection, underscoring the importance of preserving and exploring historical narratives. Mata Sundri

College's commitment to fostering such discussions contributes significantly to the academic and cultural enrichment of students. In summary, the Book Discussion and Launching Ceremony for "Hariya Raagle" proved to be an intellectually stimulating event, fostering a deeper appreciation for General Hari Singh Nalwa and encouraging continued exploration of Sikh history.

**Key Takeaways:**

Authors shared their research journey and insights into writing the book.

Critical analyses by faculty members provided a scholarly perspective.

Audience engagement through questions highlighted the interest and curiosity of the students.

The event sparked inspiration for further research on lesser-known aspects of Sikh history.