



THE VALIANT BANDA BAHADUR: MILITARY EXPEDITION IN HARYANA REGION

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ABSTRACT

The present article focuses on Banda Singh Bahadur's (1670–1716) military expedition in the Haryana region who became the part of the struggle against the Mughal Empire in the early 18th century. He is known for the devastation of the Mughal provincial capital, Sirhind, and is revered as one of the most venerable martyrs among of the Khalsa. Banda Singh Bahadur abolished the zamindari system, and granted property rights to the farmers of the land after establishing his region in Punjab. There was a critical event in the development of the Dal Khalsa and the Sikh Misls as a result of agrarian uprising against the Mughal administration that eventually led to Ranjit Singh capturing Lahore in 1799 and establishing the Sikh Kingdom of the Punjab.
