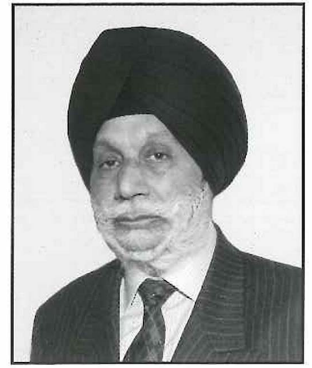


# President's Message

On this special occasion, it is my pleasure and privilege to welcome you all to this Annual Dinner of The Sikh Forum International. This Dinner has now, by common consent, become such a significant occasion in the social calendar, that people look forward to it with animated anticipation.



The Forum has been busy in meeting its objectives and it has been a privilege to be able to participate in various events, and with the help of members, achieved a great deal. Briefly the Forum's aims and objects are:-

1. *To unite the Sikh Community settled in Britain and promote its welfare;*
2. *To foster friendly relations between the Sikh Community and others;*
3. *To emphasize the cultural heritage of Sikhism and its message of universal brotherhood;*
4. *To raise funds for deserving charities within Britain and abroad.*

Charitable work is essential to the Sikh way of life. Service ('Seva') is an intrinsic part of Sikh philosophy and there is no room for austerities. There is no notion of caste, fasting, magic mantras, incarnations, chosen people or selected revelation.

In the coming year, we will continue with all the activities conducted by the Forum members year after year! Many of our activities in future will be focused on bringing young members of our Community together and engaging them in planning and decision making process for organizing Forum events. We always value your inputs, suggestions and ideas, so if you have any on youth focused events, please speak to us.

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