

Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh

Meetings/Events

The dominating issue in January 2016 was the campaign following the arrest of Paramjeet S Pamma in Portugal on 18th December 2015

9th January 2016 Executive Committee meeting during which discussions took place by way of updates and the continuation of a vigorous campaign.

- 24th January 2016 Sikh Council UK supported a fundraising appeal Akaal Tv along with SOPW relating to Paramjeet Singh Pamma campaign.
- 25th January 2016 Sikh Council UK assisted the circulation of notice for an emergency meeting called by family and friends of Paramjeet Singh Pamma by way of update having visited him and lawyers in Portugal.
- Criminal Case filed Against Indian Police in Portugal
- Sikh Council UK sent Letter to Minister of Justice in Portugal asking them to reconsider the contents
- Chair of European and International Affairs committee wrote to Secretariat of the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) Council of Europe

Sikh Council UK welcomed the New Year's Honours List for 2016 for recognising the achievement and dedicated service of a number of Sikhs. *Sikhs awarded included:*

** Harpal Singh Kumar - Chief Executive, Cancer Research UK. Awarded a Knighthood for services to Cancer Research.*

** Dr Raminder Singh Ranger, MBE - Chairman, Sun Mark Ltd. Awarded a CBE for services to Business and Community Cohesion.*

** Gurmukh Singh - Patron, Khalsa Aid. Awarded an OBE for services to Community Cohesion and charity.*

** Gurmeet Singh Kalsi - Building Services Engineer, Palace of Westminster. Awarded a MBE for parliamentary services and voluntary services to the Sikh Community in Surrey.*

** Satpal Singh Nahl - Officer, Bradford Group, HM Revenue and Customs. Awarded a MBE for services to Taxpayers and Public Administration.*

** Karnail Singh Pannu – Awarded a MBE for services to the community in Windsor and Maidenhead, Berkshire.*

** Gurdev Singh Rayat – Awarded a British Empire Medal for services to the community in Greenwich, London.*

Gurmukh Singh also serves as a member of the Board of Jathedars of Sikh Council UK. Gurdev Singh Rayat also serves as an Executive Committee member of Sikh Council UK.