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## REINTERPRETING SIRMAUR'S HISTORY: NEW INSIGHTS FROM THE SĀNCHĀ MANUSCRIPTS

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### **ABSTRACT**

The primary purpose of this research paper is to reinterpret the history of Sirmaur through an in-depth analysis of a Sānchāmanuscript written by Rukam Pabuch in Vikram Samvat 1724 (1667 CE). The manuscript, a rare historical document from the 17th century, provides fresh insights into the region's political landscape. By comparing its contents with contemporary sources, this research aims to uncover hidden narratives of Sirmaur. The study highlights the manuscript's significance in reconstructing an authentic and nuanced historical account of the region. Sirmaur, a princely state in present-day Himachal Pradesh, boasts a rich and complex history. Nestled in the Shivalik foothills, it has long been a center of power and culture. This manuscript serves as a valuable resource in understanding the region's historical evolution, shedding light on its rulers and political transitions.

KEYWORDS: Sirmaur, Sānchā, History, Manuscript.

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