

# Farmers shunning cultivation of paddy to get 17.5K per hectare

## Move aimed at arresting groundwater depletion in state, says Khudian

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CHANDIGARH, JULY 20 The Punjab Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department has decided to provide an incentive of Rs 17,500 per hectare to the farmers who wean away from paddy cultivation and shift to alternative crops. The aim is to encourage farmers to shun water-guzzling paddy crop so as to check groundwater depletion in the state.



Women farm labourers transplant paddy in a Ludhiana village. FILE

Revealing this here today in a press communiqué, Punjab Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Gurmeet Singh Khudian said Rs 289.87 crore had been allocated for this purpose for 2024-25.

Giving breakup of the revamped Crop Diversification Programme (CDP) for replacing paddy, he said any farmer could avail the benefit on maximum five hectares and the incentive amount would be directly transferred into the bank account of the beneficiary via direct benefit transfer (DBT) in two equal instalments.

The first instalment would be transferred immediately after verification through digital crop survey and Krishi Mapper app, while the second instalment would be paid after the harvesting of the crop.

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played a crucial role in the Green Revolution, which helped the nation become self-sufficient in food security. Cultivation of paddy in Punjab led to over-dependence on tubewell irrigation, causing groundwater depletion. He said Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann-led state government had decid-

ed to implement the revised CDP in all districts of the state and preference would be given to critical and over-exploited blocks of the identified districts.

Special Chief Secretary, Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, KAP Sinha said the Centre had launched a revamped Crop Diversification Pro-

gramme to encourage farmers to diversify from paddy to alternative crops during kharif season 2024. He said farmer could apply online on the state portal to avail benefits under the scheme. State and district-level committees would be constituted for the effective implementation of the programme, he added.

# State to seek redevelopment package from finance panel

RUCHIKA M KHANNA TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

CHANDIGARH, JULY 20

The Punjab Government will seek a redevelopment package and revenue deficit grant from the 16th Finance Commission, which is expected to arrive here on Sunday evening.

The government will not just be seeking a post-devolution revenue deficit grant, but also make pitch for a package to rebuild the state's ageing road, power and irrigation infrastructure.

The 15th Finance Commission had given Punjab a post-devolution revenue deficit grant of Rs 25,968 crore for five years. The 13th and 14th Finance Commissions had not given that grant to the state.

The state will seek additional funds from the 16th Finance Commission to help it in its fight against narco-terrorism and war against drugs.

A special package for industrial development in border areas will also be sought. Due to the state being located at the International Border with Pakistan, 35 per cent of its police force remains deployed as the second line of defence in border areas. The state government would seek additional funds for the deployment of its police force, said an official source.

With the state having the largest percentage of Dalit population, the government

### OTHER KEY DEMANDS



- A post-devolution revenue deficit grant, besides funds for fight against narco-terrorism and war against drugs
- Package for industrial development in border areas of the state
- Additional funds for deployment of police force as second line of defence in border areas
- Higher devolution of funds for the welfare of Dalits and disaster management

Party government on the implementation of various central schemes.

The state government is also apprehensive that it will be under pressure to have a relook at its power subsidy to both agriculture and domestic consumers, before seeking any economic package.

The total power subsidy bill of the state for the ongoing fiscal is Rs 21,909 crore, which the state government will project as its social spending in a welfare state. The government will also maintain that the subsidy to the agricultural sector is being given so that Punjab continues to produce paddy for the nation's food security.

Interestingly, neighbouring Himachal Pradesh decided to do away with power subsidy to taxpayers earlier this month. That was done after the visit of the 16th Finance Commission to the hill state, which had flagged the issue of subsidies being given by states in spite of their poor fiscal health.

The six-member team of the commission, led by its Chairman Arvind Panagariya, is expected to hold discussions with the state government's political and executive functionaries on Monday, besides leaders of Opposition parties. The team will then visit Amritsar for a day and meet representatives of trade and industry.

# Man arrested for killing wife

OUR CORRESPONDENT

FEROZEPUR, JULY 20

The police today claimed to have solved within 48 hours the murder case of a woman whose body was found in a canal yesterday. Woman's husband Jaswant Singh, alias Nikku, has been arrested in connection with the case.

SSP Saumya Mishra said the police registered an FIR following a complaint by deceased Charanjit Kaur's father Major Singh. "In his complaint, Major Singh said his daughter's phone was switched off and he feared that his son-in-law had killed his daughter and thrown her body into the canal," the SSP said.

Charanjit Kaur was married to Jaswant Singh seven years ago and the couple had two children. Jaswant Singh allegedly used to harass and assault her regularly.

Major Singh said Jaswant had taken Charanjit Kaur with him from their house on July 13. Since then, her phone was switched off. When Major Singh reached Ferozpur in search of his daughter, he came to know that Jaswant had killed her and thrown her body into the canal, the SSP said.

The police investigation revealed that Jaswant Singh brutally murdered Charanjit Kaur in the fields and then threw her body into the canal. Jaswant Singh was arrested from Mishriwala village. He would be produced in a court tomorrow, the SSP said.

# 4 get life term for murder

FAZILKA, JULY 20

Five years after the murder of a shopkeeper, the court of Ajitpal Singh, Additional District and Sessions Judge, has sentenced four persons to life imprisonment and two others to three years of jail today.

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1	INFORMATION, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT HARYANA	Request for Proposal (RFP) to assess the reach and impact of pro-active benefit schemes & services of Govt. of Haryana	20.07.2024 26.07.2024	-

WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT: <https://etenders.hry.nic.in>  
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**POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)**

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the PNB Housing Finance Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & in compliance of Rule 8(i) of Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued demand notice(s) to the said mortgagor(s) to repay the amount as mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notice(s) (date of receipt of this notice(s)).

The borrower(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property/ies described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned against each account.

The borrower(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property/ies and any dealing with the property/ies will be subject to the name of the PNB Housing Finance Ltd. for the amount and interest thereon as per loan agreement. The borrower(s) attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (6) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of the secured assets.

S. No.	Loan Account No.	Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor	Demand Notice Date	Amount Outstanding	Date of Possession Taken	Description Of The Property Mortgaged
1.	HOU/ KAR/ 1117/ 449723 B.O. Karnal	Mr. Ajit Rajpal & Mrs. Jyoti Ajit	14-11-2023	Rs. 20,97,608.95 (Rupees Twenty Laks Ninety Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eight and Ninety Five Paise Only) Due as on 14.11.2023	17.07.2024 (Physical)	House at Gali No. 2, Ward No. 15, Abadi Krishanpura, Under MC limit, Panipat, Haryana. Raabka 40 Sq. Yds. Measuring 12 X 30 Ft. Vide Sale No. 6802 dated 02/01/2018 with Subj Joint Registration Officer, Panipat in favour of Ajit Singh So. Sh. Rajpal. Boundaries: North: Street, South: House of Pawan Kumar, West: House of Babar Singh, East: House of Ramdass

PLACE:- KARNAL, DATE:- 20.07.2024 AUTHORIZED OFFICER, PNB HOUSING FINANCE LTD.

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**APPENDIX -IV.A - E-AUCTION-PUBLIC SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTYIES**

**E-AUCTION-SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISION TO RULE 8(i) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s) and guarantor(s) indicated in Column no-A that the below described immovable property (ies) described in Column no-D mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/Physical Possession of which has been taken (as described in Column no-C) by the authorized Officer of PNB Housing Finance Limited/Secured Creditor, will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS and WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" as per the details mentioned below. Notice is hereby given to borrower(s)/mortgagor(s)/Legal Heirs, Legal Representative, (whether Known or Unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), assignee(s) of the respective borrower(s)/mortgagor(s) (since deceased) as the case may be indicated in Column no-A under Rule-8(i) & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 amended as on date. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in M/s PNB Housing Finance Limited's secured creditor's website i.e. [www.pnbhousing.com](http://www.pnbhousing.com).

Loan No.	Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor	Amount & Demand Date	Description of the properties mortgaged (A)	Reserve Price (B) (10% of RPI) (₹)	EMD (C) (10% of RPI) (₹)	Last Date of Bid (D) (₹)	Bid/Inspection Date & Time (E)	Auction & Sale Date & Time (F)	Known Encumbrances/Court Case if any (G)
HOU/KAR/1118/45371	Joginder Raj Mal Smt. Mamta W/o Joginder B.O. Karnal	29,14,766.05- as on date 17.11.2021	House No 677, Sector 30, Urban Estate, Kurukshetra, Thanesar, Kurukshetra, Haryana-136119, Measuring 85 Sq. Meters (101.66 Sq. Yds) in the name of Smt. Mamta W/o Joginder vide title deed (Regd. No. 7,222 Dated 15.02.2018, Boundaries: East - Plot Other Owner, West - Road, North - House No. 678, South - House No. 676	45,57,000/-	4,55,700/-	22.08.24	13.08.2024 between 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM to 05:30 PM	23.08.2024 between 12:30 PM to 02:30 PM	*NIL/Not Known

\*Together with the further interest @18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. incurred upto the date of payment and/or realization thereof. \*\* To the best knowledge and information of the authorized Officer of PNB Housing Finance Limited, there are no other encumbrances claims in respect of above mentioned immovable/secured assets except what is disclosed in the Column no-K. Further such encumbrances to be catered/paid by the successful purchaser/bidder at his/her end. The prospective purchaser(s)/bidders are requested to independently ascertain the veracity of the mentioned encumbrances.

(1) As on date, there is no order restraining and/or court injunction PNBHFL/authorized Officer of PNBHFL from selling, alienating and/or disposing of the above immovable properties/ secured assets and status is mentioned in column no-K (2) The prospective purchaser/bidder may independently take the inspection of the pleading in the proceedings/ orders passed etc. if any, stated in column no-K. Including but not limited to the title of the documents of the title pertaining thereto available with the PNBHFL and satisfy themselves in all respects prior to submitting tender/bid application form or making Offer(s). The bidder(s) has to sign the terms and conditions of this auction along with the Bid Form. (3) Please note that in terms of Rule 9(3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the bidder(s)/the purchaser is legally bound to deposit 25% of the amount of sale price, (inclusive of earnest money) on the same day or not later than next working day. The sale may be confirmed in favour of (bidder/s) only after receipt of 25% of the sale price by the secured creditor in accordance with Rule 9(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The remaining 75% of the sale consideration amount has to be deposited by the purchaser within 15 days from the date of acknowledgement of sale confirmation letter and in default of such deposit, the authorized officer shall forfeit the part payment of sale consideration amount within 15 days from the date of expiry of mandatory period of 15 days mentioned in the sale confirmation letter and the property/secured asset shall be resold as per the provisions of Section 13(4) of the Act. (4) M/s C1 India Private Limited would be assisting the Authorized Officer in conducting sale through an e-Auction having its Corporate Office at Plot No. 68, 3rd Floor, Sector 44, Gurgaon, Haryana 122003 Website - [www.bankauctions.com](http://www.bankauctions.com) For any assistance related to inspection of the property or obtaining the Bid Documents and for any other query or for registration, you have to co-ordinate with Mr. Rahul Dua, Tel Free : 1800 120 8900, E-Mail: [auction@pnbhousing.com](mailto:auction@pnbhousing.com), is authorised Person of PNBHFL or refer to [www.pnbhousing.com](http://www.pnbhousing.com).

PLACE:- KARNAL, DATE:- 21.07.2024 SD/- AUTHORIZED OFFICER, PNB HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

# 5 Army men injured in Jalandhar mishap

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JALANDHAR, JULY 20

Five Army personnel were injured in a collision between an Army truck and a private truck loaded with onions on the Jalandhar-Amritsar national highway near Suchi Pind today. The incident occurred around 6 am. Two soldiers sustained serious injuries in the accident.

According to preliminary reports, both vehicles were headed towards Amritsar when the private truck rear-ended the Army truck near Suchi Pind. The driver of the Army truck lost control of the vehicle that crashed through the divider grills and overturned on the opposite side of the road. The private truck also crashed into the divider.

The Sadak Surakhya Force and officials from the Rama Mandi police station reached the spot and the injured soldiers were taken to a military hospital for treatment. The accident led to a four-hour-long traffic jam on the highway until the situation was restored and the damaged vehicles were towed away. According to the police, two injured are in a serious condition, while the other three have sustained minor injuries.

According to the CCTV footage of the incident, the Army truck was seen



The Army truck damaged in a collision with an onion-laden truck (below) on the Jalandhar-Amritsar national highway near Suchi Pind in Jalandhar on Saturday. TRIBUNE PHOTO: MALKIAT SINGH

**ARMY TRUCK WAS ON ROUTINE MONTHLY SPEED CHECK**

- As per officials at the military hospital, the Army truck involved in the accident belonged to 11 Corps Provost Unit
- The incident occurred around 6.30 am while a routine monthly speed check was being conducted

attempting to overtake the private truck travelling at a high speed. During the manoeuvre, the latter collided with the Army truck from the rear. Rama Mandi SHO Gurpreet Singh said the private truck driver fled the spot immediately after the accident and the police were actively tracing his whereabouts. He said once the statements of the Army per-

sonnel were recorded, an FIR would be registered in the case. As per officials at the military hospital, the 2.5-tonne Army truck involved in the accident belonged to 11 Corps Provost Unit. The incident occurred around 6.30 am while a routine monthly speed check was being conducted. Officials said the driver of the overloaded private truck, which was moving behind

the Army vehicle, lost control on the wheel after a tyre burst and it collided with the military vehicle. The impact caused the Army truck to veer onto the divider and overturn. As a result, one Junior Commissioned Officer and four soldiers sustained injuries. They were taken to a military hospital for treatment. Their condition is stated to be stable.

# Woman peddler among three held with 1kg ICE

PK JAISWAR TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

AMRITSAR, JULY 20

The police have seized 1 kg ICE, 2.45 kg heroin and 520 gm precursor pseudoephedrine and arrested three persons, including woman drug peddler Daljit Kaur (42), who is a resident of Kot Khalsa, Gurbax, alias Lala (27), and Arshdeep Singh (21), both residents of the Cheharta area, were arrested for drug trafficking two days ago.

DGP Gaurav Yadav said Gurbax was the kingpin of the racket. "Daljit Kaur was arrested by the police with 50 gm heroin on June 16. A disclosure by her led the police



Two drug peddlers arrested by the police in Amritsar. TRIBUNE PHOTO

to Arsheep Singh from whom the police seized 200 gm heroin. Following further investigation, the police arrested Gurbax following an operation under the supervision of Additional Deputy

Commissioner of Police Dr Darpan Ahluwalia. The police seized 1 kg ICE, over 2 kg heroin and 520 gm precursor pseudoephedrine from his possession," the DGP said.

Amritsar Police Commissioner Ranjit Singh Dhillon said Gurbax had five criminal cases against him and he was in and out of the jail in Gurdaspur and Amritsar. He was out on bail since March this year. He said his links were also traced and raids were being conducted to arrest them too.

Arshdeep, who faces a case under the NDPS Act, was out on bail since March last year. He said Gurbax was sourcing precursor chemical and adulterated crude heroin to increase its effect, besides manufacturing crystal ICE, a party drug. He used to earn a commission of Rs 50,000 per consignment.