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**What 'they' will never tell you ...**

**Another Long Thread on ongoing ARHATIYA Middleman Fatcats & increasingly, Left & Oppsn sponsored Agitation nee Jamboree at Delhi's Borders!**

**Folks, patience solicited twitter restrictions force it!**

**Credit to @Harishekhawat83**

**Here goes ...**

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■UNTOLD STORY OF PUNJAB AND INSIDE STORY OF FARMER AGITATION

1. Punjabi Farmers take away approx. 55% of Country's Budget on MSP Proc. Country's budget on Food Grain procurement is not UNLIMITED! The Govt can procure only as much as it needs for PDS & buffer stock.

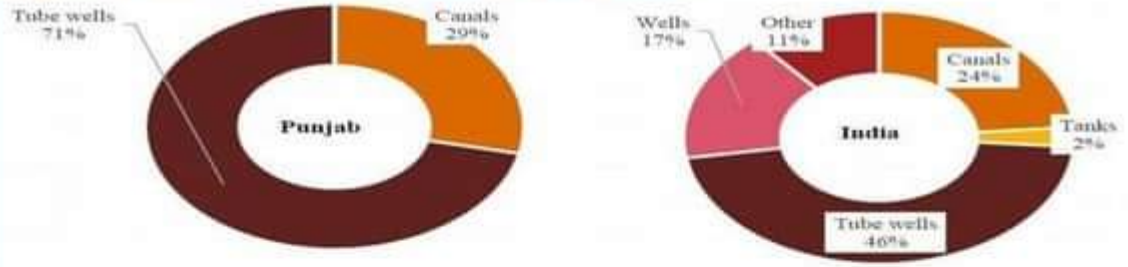
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**Distorted Cropping Pattern due to MSP induced production & Free Electricity ruined Punjab's Natural Resources. Only Crop Diversification can save Punjab. - says Punjab Economic Survey 2019-20**

| Crops | 1960-61 | 1970-71 | 1980-81 | 1990-91 | 2000-01 | 2018-19 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Paddy | 4.8% | 6.9% | 17.5% | 26.9% | 31.3% | 39.6% |
| Maize | 6.9% | 9.8% | 5.6% | 2.5% | 2.1% | 1.4% |
| Bajra | 2.69% | 3.7% | 1% | 0.2% | 0.1% | 0% |
| Wheat | 27.3% | 40.5% | 41.6% | 43.6% | 43.1% | 44.9% |
| Barley | 1.4% | 1% | 0.9% | 0.5% | 0.3% | 0.1% |
| Pulses | 19.1% | 7.3% | 5% | 1.9% | 0.7% | 0.4% |
| Oilseeds | 3.9% | 5.2% | 3.7% | 1.5% | 1.1% | 0.5% |
| Sugarcane | 2.8% | 2.3% | 1% | 1.3% | 1.8% | 1.2% |
| Cotton | 9.4% | 7% | 9.6% | 9.3% | 7.6% | 5.1% |
| Vegetables | 1.2% | 0.9% | 1.1% | 0.7% | 1.3% | 3.3% |
| Fruits | 0.6% | 0.6% | 0.4% | 0.8% | 0.5% | 1.1% |
| Other crops | 17.7% | 14.8% | 12.6% | 10.8% | 10.1% | 2.4% |

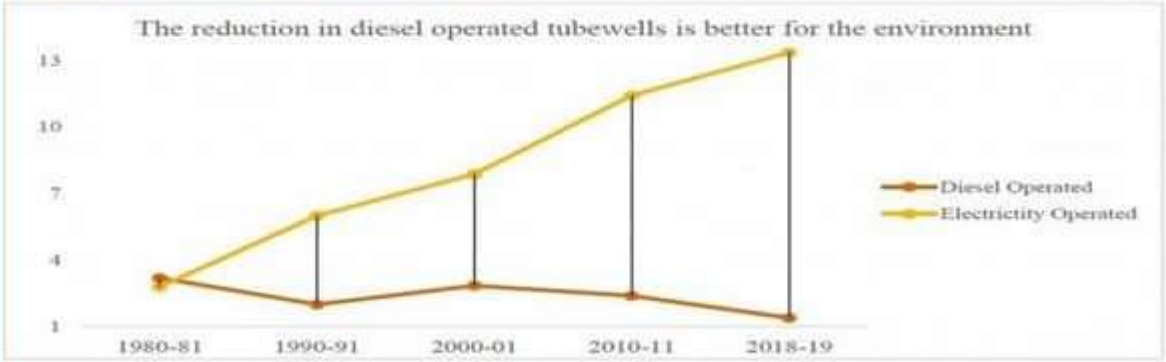
*Source: Directorate of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Punjab*

*Figure 35: Sources of irrigation, India and Punjab, 2014-15*




*Source: Irrigation Statistical Yearbook of India*

*Figure 36: Number of tube wells (in lac)*




*Source: Economic and Statistical Organisation, Punjab*

**Why is there no suggestion/discussion on this by farmer unions of Punjab, how to change this for a better future?- Asking Vijay SARDANA**

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So while only 6% of the country's total farming population lives in Punjab, it is encashing 55% of entire country's budget

meant for grain proc.
Thus a disproportionate share of income from Taxes collected by Govt from all other States is eff spent on Punjab Farmers.

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What about farmers of other states?

Why should GOI not purchase proportionately from 94% Farmers of other states?!

If some 'Annadata' / 'I'm with Farmer' wants to say that Govt should incr MSP procurement from other states also, then he is conning you!

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GOI can proc only ltd qty as per budget for PDS. Govt simply doesnt have the money to procure ALL grain prod in India.

The 'Im with farmer'/ 'Annadata' types must also agitat e asking Govt. to hugely incr Taxes & GST in order to raise money for making UNLTD proc at MSP.

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Since the agitators are against entry of Private Sector into Mandis. So all these Industry Associations of Punjab who very fashionably say I am with Farmer must offer to pay huge increase in Taxes also to fund these fashion statements.

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Due to Punjabi Farmer addiction to Wheat & Paddy cycle, they are in glut. Lacs of Crores of TaxPayer money is wasted each yr due to over proc frm Punjab which is then rot or is eaten by rats. Punjabi farmer keeps growing because he knows GOI will be forced to proc at MSP.

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By this excess prod Pb farmer not only encashes 55% of country's budget for procu ~ Rs 75K Cr but also burdens State Govt with Rs 10 K Cr of Elec Subsidy + Fertilizer Subsidy ~ Rs. 40K Cr. In process, drawing 90% of state's grnd water. This is what 'Annadata' is taking away!

9
Such huge cash bounty to Pb Farmer has made him the laziest farmer in entire country. Why doesnt shift to Fruits & Vegetable farming?
Because it requires Daily Hardwork on the farm, where as Wheat & Paddy require a one time effort of hired labourers at the time of sowing.

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Thereafter a couple of visits for Pesticide/Urea shower and thats it.

Followed by Zila Parishad/ Mandi Committee politics sitting free for 3 months and your crop will be ready after 4 months for converting into hard CASH holding GOI to ransom of MSP!

11
Because you have taken away the State resources (elec subsidy of Rs. 10000 Cr), rest of States population & Industry have to pay Rs. 9-10 per Unit the most expensive in entire country. As a result, industry is unable to flourish or become Large Scale/Nationally competitive.

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Because Punjabi Farmer is able to encash OFF 55% of the entire country's food procurement budget, the Land Prices in Punjab are the highest in the country.

This again makes setting up of new Industry UNVIABLE as land & infra costs are just too expensive.

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Indian taxpayer money flows to Canadian Economy Via Punjab.
After encashing huge subsidies, the Punjabi Farmer encashes his (most expensive) land & moves the money to Canada.
Every yr lacs of Punjabis take away ~ Rs 30K Crore Tax Free Income via Immigration to foreign shores.

Adding here to complete the thread ...
https://t.co/3kISGhyeIa

> Lastly,
> My assessment of @narendramodi likely next steps:
> 1. Laws Stay. No Q of repeal.
> 2. MSP will either go in mid term/reconfigured to ensure MSP procs duly distr equitably to ALL states in proportion.
> 4. \u2198\ufe0f Subsidies
> 3. Intro of Taxation of Agri income as per tax slabs. https://t.co/aNDgMJv2TE
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