

Samyukta Kisan Morcha

**Memorandum to the President of the India through His Excellency ,
the Governor of Punjab**

Date: 26 November 2022

**Mrs. Droupadi Murmu,
President, Republic of India,
Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi**

Via: Honorable Governor of Punjab

Subject: Memorandum on the betrayal of promises made by the Union Government to the farmers, and the legal guarantee of minimum support price, complete debt relief and other demands

Madam President,

Today, on the occasion of Constitution Day, farmers across India, through the Governors of their respective states, are reminding you of the promises made by the Union Government to the farmers. As you will be aware, the Samyukta Kisan Morcha, in a letter to the Union Government dated 21 November 2021, had drawn the attention of the Government towards its six pending demands. In response to this, on 9 December 2021, Mr. Sanjay Aggarwal, Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, wrote a letter (Secretary/AFW/2021/Miss/1) to the Samyukta Kisan Morcha. In this letter, he gave assurance on behalf of the Government on many issues, and urged to withdraw the movement. Relying on this letter of the Government, the Samyukta Kisan Morcha decided to lift the Morchas on the border of Delhi and all the protest demonstrations on 11 December 2021. Today, over eleven months later, the Union Government has not fulfilled the promises made to the farmers. We request you once again, to urge the Union Government to take immediate concrete steps to resolve the pending issues, and pay heed to the problems of the farmers by fulfilling their following demands.

1. A law to guarantee MSP for all crops, using the $C2 + 50$ percent formula, based on the recommendation of the Swaminathan Commission. The committee constituted by the Union Government on MSP and its stated agenda is contrary to the demands of the farmers. This committee should be dismissed, and a new committee on MSP should be re-constituted, with due representation of farmers, by including representatives of SKM as promised by the Union Government, for legal guarantee of MPS on all crops.

2. Due to rising input costs in agriculture and not receiving remunerative prices for their crops, more than 80 percent of the farmers are trapped under massive debt, and

are forced to commit suicide. In such a situation, we demand to waive off all loans of all the farmers.

3. The Electricity Amendment Bill, 2022 should be withdrawn. In a letter written to the Samyukta Kisan Morcha on 9 December 2021, the Union Government had given a written assurance that, "The bill will be introduced in Parliament only after discussion with the Morcha." Despite this, the Union Government introduced this bill in the parliament without any discussion.

4. (i) Union Minister of State for Home Ajay Mishra Teni, the main conspirator in the murder of four farmers and a journalist at Tikonia in Lakhimpur Kheri district, should be dismissed from the cabinet and arrested and sent to jail.

(ii) The innocent farmers who are imprisoned in the Lakhimpur Kheri massacre should be released immediately and the fake cases registered against them should be withdrawn immediately. The Government should fulfill its promise of providing compensation to the families of the martyred farmers and the injured farmers.

5. The Government should implement comprehensive and effective crop insurance for all crops to compensate for losses due to drought, flood, excess rain, crop related diseases, etc.

6. A farmer pension scheme of ₹ 5,000 per month for all medium, small and marginal farmers and agricultural laborers should be implemented.

7. The fake cases which have been registered against the farmers in BJP ruled states, and other states and Union Territories, during the farm movement should be withdrawn immediately. Compensation should be paid to the families of all the farmers who were martyred during the farm movement and arrangements should be made for their rehabilitation, and land allocation should be made for the construction of a memorial for the martyred farmers at Singhu Morcha.

Through this memorandum, the annadata of the country wants to convey its anger to the Government. We request you to remind the Union Government of its written promises and get the demands of the country's farmers for complete debt relief, crop insurance, and farmer pension fulfilled as soon as possible. We request the Union Government through you, to stop challenging the patience of the farmers. If the Government continues to renege on its promises and responsibility towards the farmers, then the farmers will be left with no option but to intensify the agitation.

Jai Kisan!

We, the people of India, the annadata of the country

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