

# Himachal apple growers against 'eviction'

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HUNDREDS OF apple growers staged a dharna and demonstration on Tuesday outside the state secretariat to protest against eviction of encroachments and felling of apple-laden trees on forest and government lands.

The farmers under the banner of Himachal Kisan Sabha and Seb Utpadak Sangh (apple growers union) gathered outside the secretariat and crossed the barriers resulting in huge traffic jams. Protesters warned they would keep fighting for their demand of regularising small encroachments.

The protest came a day after the Supreme Court stayed a high court order directing the removal of fruit-bearing orchards from encroached forest lands.

Addressing the demonstra-



During the protest in Shimla

tors, senior state CP(M) leader and former MLA, Rakesh Singha warned that the farmers would launch a prolonged agitation if the lands of small encroachers fulfilled.

He blamed the government

# 3 MONTH AFTER JUNE 30 DISASTER, FRESH FLOODS

## Behind Mandi monsoon

SDMA yet to determine exact trigger behind series of cloudbursts, but points to extreme weather events, global warming, and unregulated construction as probable factors

SAURABH PARASHAR SHIMLA, JULY 29

A MOTHER-SON duo was among three people killed in flash floods triggered by heavy rainfall, which also buried more than 20 vehicles under sludge and debris, inundated several buildings and partially destroyed nearly two dozen houses in Himachal Pradesh's Mandi district, officials Tuesday said.

As per the local MeT office, Mandi received 198.6 mm rain since Monday evening, flooding the Sukati nullahs flowing through the city. The gushing water carried with it huge amount of debris, which got deposited at several locations in about five-kilometer radius.

Apoorva Devgan, Deputy Commissioner, Mandi, said, "We have recovered three bodies. One person sustained injuries while a woman is missing. The deceased were identified as Balbir Singh, son of Krishan Singh; Amarpreet Singh and his mother Sapna. Amarpreet's father Darshan Singh sustained injuries and is admitted to Mandi Zoril Hospital".

He said rescuer saved over a dozen people who were trapped inside their homes. A relief camp has been set up at Vipasha Sadan as several houses have been damaged and some people have shifted to safer places and taken shelter at homes of their friends and relatives, he said.

The fresh disaster comes a month after a series of cloudbursts in a span of one-and-a-

half hours, spread over 20 hectares, triggered widespread devastation in the night of June 30 impacting four Assembly constituencies. The State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA), based on testimonies from affected residents, site inspections, and scientific data, ruled that not less than 12 cloudbursts occurred that night.

The water levels in five seasonal rivulets had risen unexpectedly, and the width of local nullahs expanded from a few feet to between 30 and 45 meters, affecting human settlements located at a significant distance from the streambeds. The SDMA also identified over two dozen large and small sites where landslides occurred in the aftermath of the cloudbursts.

The most affected areas — Bagesid, Bagchanogi, Jhanjehli, Thunag, Dharampur, Karsog, and Gohar — fall under the Seraj, Karsog, and Dharampur Assembly constituencies.

DC Rana, General Secretary, SDMA, told The Indian Express, "Mandi has become the epicentre of disasters in Himachal Pradesh over the last three monsoons. While damage is being reported from across the state, Mandi has borne the brunt in terms of infrastructure and human life loss. We have observed that being in the Mid-Himalayan region, disasters often strike Mandi during the initial days of the monsoon".

Talking about the June 30 devastation in the Seraj region, Rana said, "Based on survivor accounts and on-ground inspec-



People walk past vehicles b

tion, we identified 12 locations where cloudbursts occurred. However, given the scale of destruction, it is likely that more cloudbursts took place than those we have mapped so far. The magnitude of the loss suggests that the actual impact was much greater. While our final report is pending, we have shared our preliminary findings with two multidisciplinary cent teams that visited the affected areas in Mandi".

While the tragedy sparked political and public outcry, it was not an isolated incident. In a detailed presentation to the cabinet, Rana presented a bleak picture of the state's increasing vulnerability. Since 2020, Himachal Pradesh has recorded 148 cloudbursts, 294 flash floods and over 5,000 landslides, a pattern that reflects the intensifying climate volatility in fragile Himalayan region.

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### E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

| Sl. No. | Tender Notification No.                 | Details   |
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| 1       | BMCRI/D&C/15/2024-25, Dated: 01-08-2025 | Tenders are invited for the Purchase of Drugs to Teaching Hospitals of Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Bengaluru. |

Tender details, EMD details and other related details can be viewed, downloaded and applied only through the e-Procurement mode only. Website: <https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in>. Interested bidders have to register in the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal, details of which can be viewed in the said website.

- 1) Commencement date for Uploading of Tenders: 01-08-2025.
- 2) Date of Pre Bid Meeting: 14-08-2025.
- 3) Last Date for Uploading the Tenders: 31-08-2025 before 5.30 PM.
- 4) Date of Opening of Tender Technical Bid: 03-09-2025 at 2.30 PM.

For further details contact Director cum Dean, Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Bengaluru.

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## Capital Small Finance Bank

Capital Small Finance Bank Limited  
H.O: MIDAS Corporate Park, 3rd Floor, 37 G.T. Road, Jalandhar City

### PROPERTY SALE NOTICE

The Undersigned as Authorized Officer of CAPITAL SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED has taken over possession of the following property u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act. Public at large is informed that sale in the below mentioned case for recovery of amount outstanding against NPA account plus future interest and other charges shall be held on 18.08.2025 by the Bank.

Name of the account Mrs. Paramjit Kaur W/o Shamsher Singh R/o Village Cheema Khurd, Numahal, Jalandhar, Punjab-144039

Mr. Shamsher Singh S/o Sumnder Singh R/o Village Cheema Khurd, Numahal, Jalandhar, Punjab-144039 (Borrowers)

Mr. Iqbal Singh S/o Gurmit Singh R/o Village Cheema Khurd, Numahal, Jalandhar, Punjab-144039 (Guarantor)

Outstanding Amount HL055611000005: 1. Rs. 27,91,878/- (and future interest w.e.f 01.07.2025)

Description of the property: 1. Immovable property measuring 3 Marlas 2 Sarsahi situated at Vaktia Numahal, Hadbast No. 64, Thelli Phillaur (Numahal) District Jalandhar owned by Mrs. Paramjit Kaur W/o Shamsher Singh vide Sale Deed bearing Document Number 2020-21/17/1938 dated 04-03-2021 duly register at the office of Sub Registrar/ Joint Sub Registrar, Numahal, Distt. Jalandhar.

Reserve Price: Rs. 10 Lacs (Rs. Ten Lacs only)

EMD (Earnest Money): Total EMD (Earnest Money) is 25% of reserve price shall be paid by the successful bidder on D1 18.08.2025 through Demand Draft in favour of Capital Small Finance Bank Limited, payable at Jalandhar. Tender Forms and EMD to be sent to Authorized Officer, Capital Small Finance Bank Ltd, H.O. MIDAS Corporate Park, 3rd Floor 37 G.T.Road, Jalandhar.

Encumbrances known to Bank: Nil. The property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS". Last Date / Time for receiving tenders along with the EMD (Earnest Money) i.e. 25% through Demand Draft in favour of Capital Small Finance Bank Limited, payable at Jalandhar, TILL 11.00 AM on 18.08.2025. The tender will be opened and may be further negotiated on the said date after 11.00 AM in the presence of all the offerers/ their authorized representatives at H.O. MIDAS CORPORATE PARK, 3rd FLOOR, 37 G.T. ROAD, JALANDHAR. Form of Sale along with the tender form and inspection of property, please contact the Branch office Karidua Kalan. The Sale shall be subject to rules/conditions prescribed under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002. The Authorized officer reserves the right to cancel/ postpone indefinitely/ defer the sale terms & conditions any time before confirmation of sale without assigning any reasons thereof.

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