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## FARMER'S FRIENDLY INITIATIVES OF PUNJAB GOVERNMENT 2018-21



- Implementation of development projects under Prime Minister's Agricultural Emergency Program to enhance per acre yield of major crops.
- First ever agricultural policy in Punjab was approved and implemented.
- Issuance of Kissan Card for direct transfer of cash subsidies into farmer's account.
- Interest free loans of **Rs. 45 billion** advanced to farmers under E-credit scheme.
- Subsidy of **Rs. 12.5 billion** was provided to farmers for fertilizers.
- Provided subsidy of **Rs. 4.4 billion** for certified seeds and agricultural machinery.
- Provided subsidy of **Rs. 1.50 billion** for crops insurance to compensate farmers in case of damage due to natural calamities.
- **60%** subsidy of **Rs. 3.62 billion** for installation of High Efficiency Irrigation Systems like drip/sprinkler alongwith **50%** subsidy of **Rs. 429 million** for solar system was provided to farmers.





- Subsidy of **Rs. 650 million** to provide laser land levelers to farmers.
- Registration of **146** new markets under Punjab Agriculture Marketing Regulatory Authority (PAMRA).
- Punjab Seed Council approved **147** new varieties of different crops for cultivation.
- Ensured support price of **Rs. 1800/-** for wheat and over **Rs. 200/-** per **40 kg** for sugarcane.
- Additional income of **Rs. 3.0 billion** for farmers through land development.
- Ensured quality inputs by confiscating fake / adulterated pesticides and fertilizers worth Rs. 400 million and registered 2300 FIRs during anti adulteration drive.
- Provided subsidy of **Rs. 5.5 billion** for Agriculture Fair Price Shops during Ramazan.
- Establishment of Kissan Platform at **105** Fruit & Vegetable markets to eliminate middle man.
- Development budget for Agriculture sector has been increased by **306%** by allocating **Rs. 31.47 billion** for financial year **2021-22**.
- Farmer's friendly policies of the Punjab Government have resulted in harvesting record production of the following seven crops for which more than **Rs. 600 billion** added to rural economy.

## Results/Record Production in 2020-21

