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### FORWARD BLOC EXTENDS SUPPORT TO THE STRUGGLING FARMERS

The All India Forward Bloc, the party founded by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose extends all sorts of support to the struggling farmers across the country.

The farmers are up in arms against the callous attitude of both the Central and State governments towards their burning issues such as Minimum Support Price and agri-loan waiver. It is a matter of great concern that according to the Report of National Crime records Bureau, on an average one farmer is committing suicide every 41 minutes, somewhere in India. The said report further indicates a geographic concentration in the farmer suicides, 87.5% occurred in seven states ie; Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Telengana, Chattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu.

The latest incident of Mandsour, Madhya Pradesh, where half a dozen poor farmers were killed by the police when they were raising voice for their rights and survival is shocking and unheard in the modern democracy. The All India Forward Bloc strongly condemns the brutal killings and demands the resignation of the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh.

In 2014, the BJP had come to power promising profitability in agriculture by ensuring a minimum of 50% profit over the cost of production, cheaper agriculture inputs and credits, introducing latest technologies for farming and high-yielding seeds and linking MGNRGA to agriculture. After three years in power, the government is nowhere near even partial fulfillment of those promises.

In the light of Mandsour incident and growing unrest in Maharashtra, the Prime Minister called meeting of the Ministers concerned and the officers to discuss these issues. But shockingly, instead of announcing compensation or any package to save the farmers from the crisis, the said meeting has decided to send 1000 Para Military Troops to Madhya Pradesh from Centre! It shows that the government is considering all the opposition voices are like enemies and they will be handled with bullets. It is against the democratic values of our great nation. The All India Forward Bloc demands a special session of the Parliament to discuss the sorry plight of the farmers immediately.

The All India Forward Bloc will organize public rallies, meetings, picketing dharnas etc in support of the struggling farmers across the country. All the party units are directed to organize such programme during this week.

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