

FARMERS' BODY TO PROTEST ACQUISITION OF FARMLAND

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DHANBAD: The Akhil Hind Agramami Kishan Sabha (AHAKS), a frontal organisation of the Forward Bloc, has decided to launch a nationwide agitation against industrialisation on agricultural land in the country from January by mobilising farmers.

After a two-day national council meeting of AHAKS here at Agrasen Bhawan on Sunday, Forward Bloc national general secretary Debabrata Biswas (MP) said that owing to the memorandum of understanding (MoUs) between the government and multinational companies, farmland had been used for industry. As a result, the dependence of farmers on agriculture had gone down to 34% from 80%. This is not only a danger for the farming class but also for the country.

"The national council of AHAKS has resolved to mount pressure on the central government to increase working days under MGNREGA to 200 from 100 days along with the enhancement of remuneration from ₹37 per day. It also called for the setting up of a 'Kisan Service Centre' in each panchayat of the country to bail out labourers and farmers," said Biswas.

The organisation would launch a campaign in this regard across the country for three months from January.

The Forward Bloc national general secretary said that since the Panchayat Extension to the Scheduled Areas Act (PESA) and Chhotanagpur Tenancy (CNT) Act are effective in Jharkhand, all MoUs signed by the state government with industrialists are illegal and unconstitutional.

"Given that these acts are effective in the state, no single project should have been set up in Jharkhand without permission from the gram sabha. But the successive state governments have violated the Acts," he charged.

The Forward Bloc leader said that if the central government can give ₹5,32,000 crore to industrialists why should it not spend Rs one lakh crore on setting up a 'Kisan Service Centre' where farmers would get agriculture produce and sell their products.

On the closing day of the national council meeting, Raghabsharan Sharma was unanimously elected as the new president of AHAKS. Jayant Verma (Madhya Pradesh) and Arun Wankar (Maharashtra) were elected as vice-president and general secretary respectively.

Criminals warned against using Maoists' name

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RANCHI: In a bid to distance itself from 'unscrupulous elements', the CPI(Maoist) has warned criminals against posing as Naxals to extract levy or loot money from unsuspecting people. Several red posters and banners displaying the Maoists' diktat have been spotted in several Naxal-affected districts across the state during the People's Liberation Guerilla Army (PLGA) Week which concluded on Sunday.

One such poster recovered by the police off the Khunti-Chaibasa road reads, "Criminals are warned to not pose as Maoist rebels. If the party comes to

know about any incident of loot, murder or extortion committed by criminal groups in the name of the rebels, the persons involved would be punished as per the party laws."

The Maoists also sought to inform people through these posters (a few recovered in Khunti and some other districts) that the outfit was not involved in road dacoity, loot and molestation of women.

The posters read, "The CPI(Maoist) is an organisation that is fighting against the government to protect the people from becoming victims of corporate houses. We are not involved in killing and looting innocents. Many criminals are using the name of the party for



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their own benefits. We have identified many criminals who have tarnished the image of the party, they would be punished if they do not mend their ways." The Maoists have also warned

rebels, who have deserted the organisation and formed criminal gangs, of dire consequences if they used the outfit's name in any of their activities.

A poster found in Khunti has specifically stated, "Ravi Marandi, Navin Manjhi, Prashant Munda and Jhonson have left the party." The poster also urged the villagers to report to the party if any of them demand money identifying themselves as Maoists.

Police said the Maoists have circulated similar posters across the state as part of the PLGA Week from November 24 to December 2 to commemorate the death anniversary of Kishenji on November 24. During the week, the rebels

torched more than 15 heavy vehicles in West Singhbhum and Dumka districts.

In West Singhbhum alone, the Maoists torched six vehicles engaged in the centrally sponsored Saranda Action Plan at Usraiya village while in Dumka the rebels set ablaze eight dumpers, an excavator, a pick up van, a motorcycle and a tractor belonging to a road construction company on Dumka-Pukur road. The Maoists also gunned down three rebels of Tritya Prastuti Committee, a splinter group, in Palamu district.

The state police have been on high alert during the week to keep a check on Maoist activities. The security forces have recovered several can bombs

and explosive materials from different parts of the state planted by the Maoists to blow up police vehicles.

Several hardcore rebels were also arrested during the PLGA Week. In Lohardaga district, four Maoists were arrested and a few people, including girls, were rescued who were supposedly being taken into the banned outfit.

Hazaribagh police made one of the biggest recoveries with the seizure of rocket launchers, rocket ammunition and more than 5,000 rounds of AK-47 bullets.

Till reports last came in, no major incident was reported from any corner of the state on the last day of the PLGA Week.

State fails to submit details of funds use

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RANCHI: As many as 19 departments have failed to submit the utilisation report for ₹5,874 crore released between 2006-07 and 2011-12 for implementation of various centrally sponsored schemes in Jharkhand.

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On a question of Congress MLA from Khijri Sawana Lakara, the government said it had already directed the departments concerned on September 1 to submit the utilisation reports of the funds released earlier to the Centre at the earliest.

The finance department reminded the departments concerned, 25 in all, about the matter again on October 4 to receive further installments from the Union government to run the schemes uninterruptedly in the state. However, only six departments have submitted the reports till date, as per



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As per norms laid down by the Centre, the state would receive the next installments of the central funds only after submission of utilisation reports of the funds released earlier to the departments concerned of the Union government.

The lackadaisical approach

of district administrations was also apparent in drought relief measures. The state government had declared most of the districts drought-affected in August, reiterating the same through a government resolution on September 5.

The chief secretary had directed the departments concerned, the divisional

commissioners and the DCs, which were entrusted with the responsibility of providing relief to the affected people, on September 22 to send requisitions for assistance for drought relief. However, none of the districts has sent requisitions seeking funds to counter drought effects, says the ATR.

JVM-P all set to stall House over Panem mines row

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RANCHI: The Jharkhand Vikas Morcha-Prajatantrik (JVM-P) on Sunday upped the ante over the ongoing controversy involving Panem and demanded a probe into the charges levelled against Panem and Emta companies.

Claiming the support of the Congress, Rashtriya Janata Dal, CPI (ML) and Jharkhand Janadhikar Manch, JVM-P legislature party leader Pradeep Yadav said the Opposition would not let the House function until the government constituted a committee of three secretaries to look into the matter.

Yadav said he would move an adjournment motion in the assembly on Monday to demand a full-fledged discussion on the violation of the agreement by the Panem and Emta.

Yadav said the agitation of displaced tribals at Pachuawara in Pakur district entered the 17th day on Sunday, but neither Panem management nor the government had taken any step to resolve the issue.

"We will wait till December 5. If the state government and Panem management don't talk to the agitating tribals by then to find an amicable solution to the impasse, we would not allow the district administration to function for two days from December 7."

The committee should also probe why schools, hospital, jobs to the land losers, irrigation facilities, drinking water and electricity as promised in the agreement with locals were not being hon-

oured and implemented.

Yadav alleged that the government was shying away from the probe as it was hand in glove with them in earning illicit money. Slamming chief minister Arjun Munda for the row, the JVM-P leader said the government should be blamed if the agitation intensified in the days to come.

Yadav also alleged that the companies were given coal mines at prices lower than that offered to ECL at Godda, causing revenue loss of hundreds of crores to the state.

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MP demands CBI probe, to meet Manmohan

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JAMSHEDPUR: Jharkhand Vikas Morcha-Prajatantrik (JVM-P) MP from Jamshedpur Dr Ajay Kumar on Sunday demanded a CBI probe into the making of the CD allegedly having recordings of his telephonic talks with CPI(Maoist) commander Samarji just ahead of the Lok Sabha bypoll for Jamshedpur seat last year.

"I will meet the Prime Minister demanding a CBI probe into the entire matter and mark my words many would go to jail," said Ajay.

Dr Ajay also announced here on Sunday that they would file another writ in the Jharkhand High Court (HC) on Monday to add the names of chief minister Arjun Munda and then in charge of Jamshedpur Police'



technical cell Rajesh Prakash Sinha in the case earlier filed in the HC by him against the CID probe into his alleged links with the Naxals on the basis of the CD in question.

"After I filed the first writ in HC against the CID investigation and the CD, Munda called up the state director general of police (DGP) to manage things but the latter refused. And

We will file another writ requesting the HC to add the name of CM Arjun Munda for his complicity in the case
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JVM-P MP from Jamshedpur

Sinha was the police officer who made the CD and handed it to BJP leader Saryu Rai. So, we will file another writ requesting the HC to add the names of Munda and Sinha for their complicity in the case," Ajay told a press conference here at the circuit house.

The JVM-P MLA further alleged that the cell phone that was used to implicate him and given to Samarji actually belonged to one criminal Mahavir Oraon who was

arrested by Chandwa Police in the case No-84/2010 and the seizure list also mentioned the cell phone in the question.

"The cell phone was in the police malkhana. How does the same phone reached Samarji is a matter of investigation. Then Samarji had talked to Congress's Banna Gupta, by his own admission, and Kanhu Samant but why the CD only had the part involving me? Who gave the police the authority to tap my phone? The Supreme Court's order clearly states that all such recordings made from phones under surveillance should be done after permission from appropriate authorities and kept a secret at all times," reminded Ajay.

Ajay, accompanied by his counsel Sudhir Kumar Pappu, also demanded investigation into how the CD reached

Rai. "Why did BJP president Dineshanand Goswamy lodge the case against me? Shouldn't it have been the police lodging the case," said Ajay, claiming himself to be a victim of deep-rooted conspiracy.

Sudhir Kumar, the lawyer, alleged that the chief minister was a convict and had been deliberately hiding this fact while filing his affidavits to the Election Commission.

"Munda, then going by the name of Arjun Shandil, was the co-accused with JMM MLA Ramdas Soren in a case under Telco police station in 1988. The court of Judicial Magistrate SC Chaurasia had convicted Munda and ordered 15 days' jail term or fine of ₹200. Munda, then in JMM, had pleaded guilty and paid the fine," Sudhir Kumar said, furnishing copy of the case (GR Case No-659/A/88) detail.

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BKM leaders discuss issues affecting agriculture in state

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DHANBAD: The farmer's wing of the BJP, Bharatiya Kisan Morcha (BKM) organised a statewide awareness campaign on Sunday to understand the ground reality of farming in Jharkhand and numerous problems faced by farmers. Morcha leaders discussed the government's role to improve farming in the state.

While addressing the meet, BJP and BKM leaders raised voices against the UPA-led central government for ignoring farmers and adopting discriminatory attitude towards Jharkhand.

Hundreds of farmers, including members of BKM and

BJP, arrived at Maa Bhawani Parishadan near the BJP district office on Sunday to participate in the Kisan Panchayat to discuss the problems in farming and their immediate solution.

They also discussed poor irrigation facilities in the state and how to attract government's attention towards such crises.

DN Singh, state secretary who was present in the meet to interact with the local farmers said that farmers are the backbone of the Indian economy but owing to the reluctance of the UPA led government; farmers are unable to ensure a secure future. As a result they are gradually opting other means for livelihood instead of farming. "The Central government

claims to bring green revolution once again but the indifferent attitude of the UPA led government towards Jharkhand is enough to learn their apathy," said Singh.

Later, while discussing the further strategy of JKM, he said, "We have decided to organise Kisan Mahapanchayat at the state capital in January next year to raise awareness among the farmers to fight for their right."

Former HRD minister and Dhanbad MP, PN Singh who was also present in the meet assured that the state government is serious about the grievances of the farmers' but the discriminatory attitude of the Central government has affected agriculture in the state.