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Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Thawar Chand Gehlot (second from right) interacts with an inmate at the Swami Vivekananda Drug De-addiction Centre in Amritsar on Friday. Tribune Photo

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Amritsar, June 16

Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Thawar Chand Gehlot has asserted that there is no discontent among the farming community in the country.

He said the agitation by farmers in Madhya Pradesh's Mandasaur was the results of misunderstanding between them, traders and officials.

Talking to mediapersons during his visit to the Amritsar Lok Sabha constituency, Gehlot said the Shivraj Singh Chouhan government had completely controlled the situation.

He said the MP government was already offering Rs one lakh loan without interest to farmers and 10 per cent subsidy on it.

The area under irrigation was increased from seven lakh hectares to 40 lakh hectares, the Union Minister added.

He brushed away the reports that unrest among the farmers was spreading



Gangster Nehra, ASI's son, freed Deepak

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PANCHKULA: The Panchkula police have identified the armed men who freed undertrial Deepak Kumar from police custody yesterday. A senior police official said gangster Sampat Nehra, who was wanted by the Punjab Police and the Chandigarh Police, freed Deepak from police custody. His face was identified in the CCTV footage.

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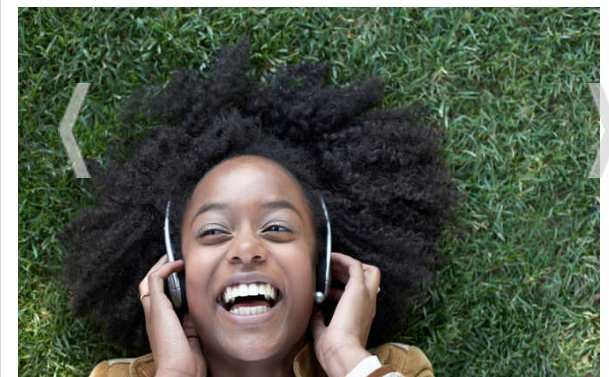
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into adjoining states. He said after the Yogi Adityanath government in Uttar Pradesh waived the farmers' loans and similar demands were being made in some other states like Rajasthan.

He said the Narendra Modi-led NDA government had taken several steps for the betterment of farmers and to improve their financial condition.

Gehlot was in the city to project the achievements of the Narendra Modi government after the completion of its three years in power. The Union Minister said the government had taken several steps on the administrative and pecuniary fronts to give the economy a boost.

He claimed that when Narendra Modi became the Prime Minister, the annual growth rate of the GDP was around 4.4 per cent and now it was 7.6 per cent.

Gehlot said the implementation of the Budget was made possible from April 1, which ensured immediate release of funds.

He said Dr BR Ambedkar had advised the demonetisation of the currency to eradicate black money from the market and the PM did it courageously.

On the call by the PM, he said, about five crore people gave up their subsidised LPG connections and 5.50 crore toilets were constructed under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. The government had also launched 'Beti Bachao, Beti Pado' campaign, he added.

Minister faces □tricky situation

Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Thawar Chand Gehlot

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Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Thawar Chand Gehlot faced a tricky situation when an inmate of the Vivekananda de-addiction centre disclosed the name of a former MLA who was selling contraband in the drug market.

However, when mediapersons asked him to reveal the name of the MLA during the scheduled media interaction at the Circuit House, he was repeatedly ducking the query.

Eventually, he managed to excuse himself by saying that he did not remember the name. About taking action against the MLA, he said the NDA government was very strict against the drug peddlers.

He added that in case a written complaint is received, legal action would be taken against any leader.

Visits drug de-addiction centre

Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Thawar Chand Gehlot visited the Swami Vivekananda Drug De-addiction Centre here today. Accompanied by Minister of State for Social Justice Vijay Sampla, Gehlot assured the district administration of all support required for the centre.

Gehlot also interacted with patients at the centre.

Dr PD Garg, in-charge of the centre, apprised the minister of the problems and requirements of the centre.

“We asked for resources, especially medicines that are given to the patients. The minister has assured us of all support,” said Dr Garg.

Gehlot said the curing youngsters addicted to drugs and channelising their energy in a positive way were the foremost priorities of the government. He expressed satisfaction over the working of the centre.

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