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To

The Hon'ble Prime Minister of India
New Delhi.

Subject: Regarding launching of Border Area Development Programme (BADP) in Punjab.

Respected Sir,

It is my humble request to you that Border Area Development Programme (BADP) in Punjab to be launched for comprehensive, social and economic development of the border peoples of Punjab, with respect to focusing on the recent flood disaster and its devastating impact on the lives and livelihoods of the people in this sensitive region. As this programme was earlier used to meet the special developmental needs and well-being of the people living in remote and inaccessible area situated near the international borders and to saturate the border area with critical infrastructure and sustainable livelihood opportunities, by convergence schemes through a participatory approach.

As you are aware that Indo-Pak Border belt is 558 KM that comprises of six districts of Punjab. The residence of these area have long been subjected to multiple challenges such as the historical consequences of partition in 1947, repeated wars i.e. 1965, 1971, 1999 Kargil War and recently Mission Sindoor and many other hot statements issued by from both the countries have been creating tension along the Indo-Pak border among these peoples, apart from that number of times i.e. In 1952, 1988, 1992, 1995, 2023 and now, increasingly, natural calamities like floods have taken place in this area. These areas are already economically vulnerable and socially fragile, and the recent drastic decline in paddy yield due to floods has further worsened the situation

It is pertinent to mention here that this programme was available in state of Punjab under which Funds were provided for execution of works/projects relating to infrastructure, livelihood, education, health, agriculture & allied sectors, skill development etc. which remained till 2019-2020 as it used to provide comprehensive development by provision of road connectivity, education facilities, health facilities, livelihood & skill development facilities etc.

I sincerely hope you will consider this urgent and important request for launching of Border Area Development Programme (BADP) in Punjab in the interest of the border population of Punjab.
Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully,

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Cc to : (i) The Ministry of Home, New Delhi, India.
(ii) The Hon'ble Governor of Punjab, Chandigarh.