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Title: Need to give special incentives to attract more investment in Punjab.

SHRI PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA (ANANDPUR SAHIB): I would request the Central Government to sanction special incentives to border states like Punjab. It is a well known fact that because of earlier Indo-Pak wars and Pakistan's continuous activities across border have led to disturbance of internal peace in the State. Our farmers are taking risk of their life for cultivating the last inch of land. No industrialist is showing any interest to come to Punjab to make investments. Even schools and hospitals and roads have been affected due to these border disturbances. Agriculture is stagnating, youth of the State are very much disturbed and frustrated due to unemployment. Smuggling of drugs across the border has also affected the economy of Punjab.

In view of the above, I would urge upon the Government of India to sanction Special Incentives to attract more investment so that unemployed youth can get jobs and State economy can grow.

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