

Mann’s OSD Ghuman appears before CBI in graft case linked to Punjab CMO

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RAJBIR SINGH Ghuman, Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann, appeared before the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in Chandigarh Friday, joining the probe into the alleged corruption and influence-peddling linked to the Chief Minister’s Office (CMO).

This was his first appearance before the agency since the registration of an FIR against him and five others earlier this month. Ghuman reached the CBI’s Sector 30 office around 3pm, accompanied by his lawyer GPS Ghuman. The appearance came four days after the Supreme Court declined to stay the FIR but di-

rected the agency not to take coercive action against him.

The court had also asked the accused to cooperate with the investigation. The CBI had issued three notices to Ghuman between October 7 and 9, asking him to join the investigation. He had not appeared in response to those notices.

The case stems from three letters the ED sent to the Punjab Director General of Police in July and August, flagging alleged corruption involving government postings, tenders, administrative approvals and other official decisions. After the state police did not register an FIR, the Punjab and Haryana High Court, on October 5, directed the CBI to register a criminal case and submit a status report within two



Rajbir Singh Ghuman

months. The CBI registered the FIR the same day and conducted searches at eight locations across Punjab and Chandigarh the following day.

The CBI’s 251-page FIR names Ghuman, Nitin Gohal, Jitin Gohal alias Raja, Romi Raja Mahajan, Bir Devinder

and R S Nagra, besides unidentified public servants. The agency has registered offences relating to criminal conspiracy and corruption. The allegations are yet to be established, and the investigation is continuing.

The ED’s allegations emerged from its investigation into suspected money laundering involving land-related transactions and allotments linked to the Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA).

The agency has cited WhatsApp chats and other digital material that it claims point to discussions about transfers and postings, tenders, policy decisions and access to official records. These materials are being examined as part of the investigation.

The CBI, meanwhile, has sought original records relating to officers’ transfers and postings from 15 Punjab government departments. The records are expected to help the agency examine the alleged use of influence in administrative decisions.

The CBI also searched the CM’s camp office in Chandigarh and locations linked to Ghuman in Mohali and Sangrur. The Punjab government challenged the High Court’s order directing a CBI probe in the Supreme Court, arguing against the registration of the case. The Supreme Court has not stayed the FIR but restrained the CBI from coercive action.

The ED is separately pursuing the financial and money-

laundering aspects of the case.

After the questioning, Ghuman told reporters that the CBI had asked him 40 questions, which he claimed to have answered to the satisfaction of CBI. He alleged that the case was an attempt to defame Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann as the AAP government was set to return to power. Calling the proceedings a “drama”, he said he would soon emerge with a clean chit.

He added that he would appear before the CBI whenever summoned and urged his colleagues not to panic. Describing Friday’s questioning as having taken place in a conducive atmosphere, Ghuman urged the CBI to conduct a fair investigation so that the truth could come out.

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An artist gives final touches to effigies of Ravana ahead of the upcoming Dussehra festival, in Gurugram on Friday. PTI

POLICE PROBE CIRCUMSTANCES, MOTIVE

Punjab man hacks wife to death, dies by consuming poison

A 50-YEAR-OLD man allegedly hacked his wife dead with an axe in a village here on Friday before dying by consuming a poisonous substance, police said. The deceased have been identified as Bhola Singh and his wife, Karamjit Kaur alias Kammo, both aged around 50. Police have initiated an investigation to ascertain the circumstances and motive behind the incident. PTI

3.697 kg heroin seized: police

Ludhiana: Police seized 3.697 kg of heroin allegedly from the bag of an injured biker being treated at Ludhiana Civil Hospital while trying to establish his identity d late on Thursday. The man, identified as Niranjan Singh, 30, a resident of Khehra Bet village in the Ladhawal area, was travelling from Phillaur towards the Ladhawal toll barrier when a speeding truck allegedly hit his bike.

Three coaches of goods train derail

Bathinda: Three coaches of a goods train carrying newly-manufactured cars on its way from Bathinda to Ambala derailed near Ram-

pura Phul railway station here on Friday, officials said. Railway officials and staff launched restoration works, with the derailed coaches removed and affected tracks inspected, before normal train operations could resume. Preliminary reports suggest a technical fault.

Man stabbed to death in HP

Hamirpur: A migrant mechanic was allegedly stabbed to death with a shovel following a dispute over Rs 3,000 at Tyalu village in Himachal’s Hamirpur district, police said on Friday. The deceased, identified as Digvijay alias Ganguly, was allegedly murdered by two men after a dispute over money, ASP Rajesh Kumar Upadhyay said. ENS & PTI

2023 MONSOON DEVASTATION HEARING NGT directs chief secy to appear virtually if principal secy fails

Express News Service
Shimla, October 16

ANNOYED OVER the non-appearance of the principal secretary (Town & Country Planning) during a resumed hearing in a matter related to the 2023 monsoon disaster in Himachal Pradesh and alleged environmental violations, the National Green Tribunal (NGT) directed the chief secretary to ensure the Principal Secretary appears before the Tribunal on the next date, and if failed, the Chief Sec-

retary will appear personally. “If the principal secretary fails to appear, the chief secretary will have to join the proceedings virtually to assist the Tribunal on the next hearing on January 22, 2027,” a bench comprising Chairperson Justice Prakash Shrivastava and Expert Member Dr Afroz Ahmad said on Friday. “During the previous hearing on August 4, 2026, no one appeared. Their absence had prevented effective proceedings,” the bench said.

AAP MLAs, leaders appear before Akal Takht Secretariat, disown MLA Gaspura’s remarks

Express News Service
Amritsar, October 16

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLAs and leaders on Friday appeared at the Sri Akal Takht Sahib Secretariat here and offered explanations in the wake of a controversy which erupted over a statement made to the media by ruling party legislator Manwinder Singh Gaspura.

It has been alleged that on October 12, Gaspura, who represents Payal in Ludhiana district, made false statements to the media outside the Secretariat of Akal Takht Sahib in the Darbar Sahib complex, claiming caste-based discrimination. A delegation of Punjab AAP

The delegation sought action against Amit Shah over the alleged entry of Delhi Police into Gurdwara Bangla Sahib

MLAs on Monday submitted a memorandum to the Akal Takht Secretariat, seeking action against Union Home Minister Amit Shah over the alleged entry of Delhi Police into Gurdwara Bangla Sahib in the national capital during a protest. Calling it a grave violation of

the sanctity of Sikh religious institutions, the MLAs urged the Akal Takht. Jathedar to summon Shah and ensure accountability.

AAP MLA Gaspura, who accompanied the other legislators, was denied entry into the Secretariat on the directions of Jathedar Akal Takht Giani Kuldip Singh Gargaji over his alleged objectionable remarks against Sikh personalities and institutions in the past.

Addressing the media on Monday, Jaskaran Singh, media adviser at the Akal Takht Secretariat, had condemned and rejected Gaspura’s statement to the media alleging that he had been denied entry on the grounds of

caste-based discrimination.

He clarified that Gaspura was stopped because of his alleged past “derogatory, highly objectionable and threatening” remarks against the respected Jathedar Akal Takht and Sikh institutions.

A statement issued here on Friday by the Akal Takht Secretariat said the AAP legislators admitted their mistake, acknowledging that despite the Jathedar’s directions, they had neither contradicted Gaspura’s allegations before the media on October 12 nor clarified that they had not faced any caste-based discrimination and that Gaspura had made inappropriate remarks, the statement said.



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E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable/immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on “**As is where is**”, “**As is what is**”, and “**Whatever there is**” on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The Reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

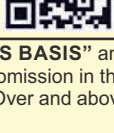
The Sale will be done through E-Auction platform provided at the Website <https://BAANKNET.com> on 03.11.2026 11.00 AM to 04:00 PM

Date of Inspection of Properties is 30.10.2026 and 31.10.2026 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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M/s PSB Alliance Pvt Ltd, Mumbai. Portal Help Desk No. +91 82912 20220, E-Mail ID: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com, Availability: 09.00 AM to 05:00 PM on all working stays for guidance on Auction process, Registration status. Technical assistance....etc

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sr. No.	PROPERTY/IES ID		DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES MORTGAGED/OWNER'S NAME (MORTGAGERS OF PROPERTY/IES)	Dt. of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002	Possession Date u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI Act 2002	Reserve Price	Details of the encumbrances known to the secured creditors	QR CODE FOR PROPERTY	
	Name of Branch	Contact No.		Outstanding Amount as on	Nature of Possession	EMD			
	Account Name and Addresses					BID INCREASE AMOUNT			
1.	PUNBABA47471677		Equitable Mortgage of residential immovable Property measuring 76.60 Sq Yards, Plot no. 69 min Comprised in Khasra no. 82-62-80/1-77/1-81/1-63/1 Khata no. 700/802 as per Jamabandi for the year 2008-09, Hadbast no. 166, Village Gehlewal, situated at Abadi Luxmi Colony, Near Radha Swami Satsang Ghar, Tehsil & Distt. Ludhiana in the name of Sh. Rakesh Kumar s/o Sh. Devi Dass vide sale deed bearing wasika no. 438 dated 04/04/2013and bounded as under: East: Street, West: Neighbour, North: Neighbour, South: Neighbour Ludhiana 141007.	26.12.2022	28.02.2023	Rs. 17,85,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	BASTI JODHEWAL 9087700087			Rs 9,59,357.48/- as on 30.08.2023 with further applicable interest from 01.09.2023 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 1,78,500/- Rs. 20,000/-			
	Sh. Rakesh Kumar (Borrower/Mortgagor) S/o Sh. Devi Dass, 2. Smt. Neena Rani (Co-Borrower) W/o Sh. Rakesh Kumar Plot no. 69, Luxmi Colony Kailash Nagar Road, Basti Jodhewal								
2.	PUNBABA37950849		Mortgage of Immovable Property Measuring 42 Sq yards Comprised in Khasra no. 610/316 to 322/1, 610/316 to 322/2, Khata no. 26/34.35, Page no. 111 as per Jamabandi for the year 2008-09, H.B. no. 262, Situated at Village Daba, Abadi Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, St.No. 5, Shimlapuri, Distt. Ludhiana in the name of Sh. Gurwinder Singh S/o Sh. Nihal Singh Sale Deed Wasika no. 2020-21/103/1/6967 Dated 24/11/2020.	26.05.2023	07.12.2024	Rs. 8,16,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	BJS DENTAL COLLEGE 84092 - 19087			Rs.10,51,943.10 /- as on 31.10.2023 with further applicable interest from 01.11.2023 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 81,600/- Rs. 20,000/-			
	Gurwinder Singh S/o Nihal Singh Add. 1: St No. 5 Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Shimlapuri Ludhiana 141003, Add. 2: House No 1994, St No. 7 Jujhar Nagar Shimlapuri, Ludhiana, Punjab 141003.								
3.	PUNB0ABA38070102		All that part and parcel of Property measuring 110 Sq. Yards compromised in Khasra No. 5489/4274/421 Khewat no. 775 Khatuni no. 833 as per Jamabandi for the year 2007-08 situated at Village Taraf Saidan, Abadi New Bhagwan Nagar, Basti Jodhewal, Ludhiana in the name of Sh. Manjeet Singh S/o Sh. Rounak Singh vide Sale Deed No. 8457 Dated 14.10.2014 and Bounded as Under: - East:- Street 20' wide 19'-09", West:- Neighbour 19'-9", North:- Neighbour 50'-00", South:- Neighbour 50'-00"	10.09.2025	07.01.2026	Rs. 30,25,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	BROWN ROAD 80543 - 83848			Rs.12,38,342.67/- as on 31.08.2025 with further applicable interest from 01.08.2025 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 3,02,500/- Rs. 50,000/-			
	Legal heirs of Late Sh. Manjeet Singh: 1) Sh. Binerjeet Chauhan S/o Late Sh.Manjeet Singh and 2) Smt. Anmol Chauhan S/o Late Sh.Manjeet Singh, Both R/o 322, Block 9B, Basant Avenue, Bhai Himmat Singh Nagar Ludhiana - 141007								
4.	PUNB4NY25036465		All that is part and parcel of immovable property measuring 52.88 sq.yrds, comprised in Khasra no. 30/6/1, 15, 29/1/2, 10, 11, 12, 3/1/3, 8/2/2, 9, 2/2, Khata no. 80/88, 82/90 as per jamabandi for the year 2007-08, situated at village Jassian, Hadbast No. 101, abadi known as Shiv Vihar, Tehsil and District Ludhiana, as per sale deed bearing Wasika No. 1605 dated 09/05/2017 duly registered with the office of Sub-Registrar West, Ludhiana, standing in the name of Smt. Indu Gupta wife of Sh. Sanjay Gupta and Sh.Sanjay Gupta son of Sh. Joginder Gupta and bounded as under : East: Plot No. 20 14', West: Road 22' wide 14', North: Plot No.18 34', South: Plot No. 19 min 34'	06.01.2022	20.04.2023	Rs. 10,90,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	DAAD 9876850042			Rs 9,12,829.71/- as on 06.01.2022 with further applicable interest from 07.01.2022 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 1,09,000/- Rs. 20,000/-			
	Borrower/Mortgagor: Sh. Sanjay Gupta S/o Sh. Joginder Gupta House No.537, Shiv Vihar, Jassian Road, Backside Bhagat Tarsem Lal Charitable Hospital Haibowal Kalan, Ludhiana-141001, Co-Borrower/Mortgagor: Smt. Indu Gupta W/o Sanjay Gupta, House No.537, Shiv Vihar, Jassian Road, Backside Bhagat Tarsem Lal Charitable Hospital Haibowal Kalan, Ludhiana -141001								
5.	PUNBCBP56388129		All part & parcel of Property One House no. 40 measuring 60 Sq. Yds., comprised in Khasra No.26/19-22-27/16/1-25/2-26/9-10-11-12-20-21-27/6/1-15/2, Khatta no. 77/102-170/204, as per jamabandi for the years 2010-2011, situated at Bhamian Khurd, Hadbast no. 180, Locality Known as Jain Colony, Block-C, Tehsil & District Ludhiana, as par sale deed bearing wasika no 2022-23/106/1/13995 dated 25.01.2023, standing in the name of Smt. Rajni Bala W/o Sh. Babbar Singh and bounded as under: East-Neighbor 36'-00", West-Neighbor 36'-00", North-Neighbor 15'-00", South-Street 15'-00"	04.12.2023	17.05.2024	Rs. 11,10,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	MATA RANI CHOWK 90179 - 18334			Rs.10,27,436.93 as on 03.12.2023 with further applicable interest from 01.12.2023 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 1,11,000/- Rs. 20,000/-			
	1) Smt. Rajni Bala W/o Babbar Singh, House No. 872 , Housing Board Colony, Jamalpur Awana Ludhiana, Ludhiana, Punjab- 141010, 2) Smt. Rajni Bala W/o Babbar Singh, Mig, House No. 872, Chandigarh Road, Jamalpur Colony, Focal Point, Ludhiana, Punjab- 141010								
6.	PUNB4CO47652782		All that is Part & Parcel Residential Immovable Property Measuring (50-1/2 + 50-1/2 Sq Yards) total property Measuring 101 sq Yards Bearing House no. MC-B-14-1179 + MC-B-14-1179/C, Situated at Islam Ganj, Tehsil & Distt. Ludhiana as per Sale deed Vaska no. 15946 dated 11/10/1999 & Sale deed no. 2805 dated 23/05/2003 in the name of Sh. Satinder Singh S/o Sh. Madan Singh and Sh. Jaswinder Singh S/o Sh. Swaran Singh.	27.08.2025	12.12.2025	Rs. 31,41,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	RAHON ROAD 97600 - 29822			Rs. 16,07,498.45/- as on 26/08/2025 with further applicable interest from 31/07/2025 and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 3,14,100/- Rs. 50,000/-			
	1) Sh. Satinder Singh (Borrower) S/o Sh. Madan Singh, 2) Sh. Jaswinder Singh (Co-Borrower) S/o Sh. Swaran Singh, Both R/o House No. 1179, Near Gurdwara Bhat Singh, Islam Ganj, Ludhiana – 141008								
7.	PUNBABA47460601		EQM of Resi. Property mag. 92 sq.yds comprised in khasra no. 5864/3426/970, 3427/970, 5866/3427/970, khatta no. 1440/1986 as per jamabandi 2010-11, situated at vill. Gill no.1 HB no.263, MC No. B-XXIX-1839-36/4A/2, st.no.18 Preet Nagar, New Shimlapuri, Ludhiana, standing in the name of Smt. Anita Wo Jagjit Singh S/o Sant Singh, bearing Wasika no. 2403 dtd. 02.07.2014 and bounded as under: East - Ranjit Singh 49'-06", West - Satpal Kaur 49'-06", North - Neighbour 16'-09", South - Street No. 18' wide 16'-09"	11.11.2021	12.12.2025	Rs. 22,51,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	SBS NAGAR 95998 - 19200			Rs. 14,08,021.19 as on 11.11.2021 with further applicable interest from 12.11.2021 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 2,25,100/- Rs. 50,000/-			
	1) Sh. Jagjit Singh S/o Sant Singh and 2) Smt. Anita Wo Jagjit Singh, both R/o Add. 1: 4888, St. No.-1, Sukhdev Nagar, New Shimlapuri, Ludhiana, Ludhiana, Punjab- 141003, Add. 2: B-XXIX-1839/36/4A/2, Street No. 18, Preet Nagar, New Shimlapuri, Ludhiana - 141003								
8.	PUNB4CO63752723		Equitable Mortgage of Residential Immovable Property Measuring 60 Sq Yards, Plot/ House no. 87-B, comprised in Khasra no. 26/10/2-11-12/1-13/1/2-20-21/1, Khatta no. 49/51 as per jamabandi for the year 2012-13, situated at Village Kaka Colony Headbast no. 68, locality know as Kaka Colony, Near Sachkhand Gurudwara, Rahon Road, Tehsil & Distt. Ludhiana as per Sale deed Vaska no. 2019-20/106/1/16834 dated 23/10/2019 in the name of Sh. Raj Kumar S/o Sh. Shanti Nath, bounded as under: East: Neighbour 18'-00", West: Street 20' wide 18'-00", North: Neighbour 30'-00", South: Rita Pathak 30'-00"	27.08.2025	17.12.2025	Rs. 5,27,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	RAHON ROAD 97600 - 29822			Rs. 9,33,180.13/- as on 26/08/2025 with further applicable interest from 31/07/2025 and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 52,700/- Rs. 20,000/-			
	Sh. Avinash Kumar S/o Late Sh. Raj Kumar (Legal heir of Raj Kumar) House no. 258, Model Colony Street no. 7, Bajra Ludhiana – 141007								
9.	PUNB45400010569		All part and parcel of land and building measuring 0K-12M, being 12/179 share out of land measuring 8K-19M comprised in Khewat no. 91, Khatauni no. 91, Khasra no.54/155/2,156.63/7 as per jamabandi for the 2000-2001, situated at Samrala, HB no. 127, Tehsil Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana, sale deed registered vide wasika no. 517, executed on dated 19.05.2003 on the name of Sher Singh S/o Sewa Singh.	16.02.2022	02.07.2022	Rs. 36,93,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	SAMRALA 9872155871			Rs 15,06,912.10/- as on 30.01.2022 with further applicable interest from 01.02.2022 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 3,69,300/- Rs. 50,000/-			
	1) Sh. Sher Singh S/o Sh. Sewa Singh, H.No.346, Ward No. 10/360, St.No.5 Railway Road, Samrala Distt-Ludhiana-141114, 2) Smt. Baljit Kaur W/o Sh. Sher Singh, H.No.346, Ward No. 10/360, St.No.5 Railway Road, Samrala Distt-Ludhiana-141114								
10.	PUNBP0A27547579		All that is part and parcel of Property measuring 150 Sq. Yards situated at Village Dugri, Tehsil & District Ludhiana Abadi Golden Avenue near Baba Deep Singh Nagar, Ludhiana in the name of Smt. Bimla Devi W/o Sh. Rattan Lal, Borrower/Mortgagor Vaska no.13667 dated 14.09.2005.	21.09.2018	15.09.2023	Rs. 51,18,000/-	Not Known to Secured Creditor		
	DUGRI PHASE - 1 90442 - 16118			Rs.6,34,635 /- as on 30.06.2018 with further applicable interest from 01.07.2018 plus cost and other charges less recoveries (if any)	Symbolic Possession	Rs. 5,11,800/- Rs. 50,000/-			
	1. Smt. Bimla Devi (Borrower) W/o Sh. Rattan Lal, 2) Sh. Mohit Kumar S/o Sh. Rattan Lal (Son and legal heir of deceased Borrower), 3. Sh. Rohit Kumar S/o Sh. Rattan Lal (Son and legal heir of deceased Borrower) House No. 148, Street no. 2, Golden avenue, Dhandra Road, Ludhiana 141013. Guarantor: Smt. Amrik Kaur W/o Sh. Jarnail Singh House-B-34-6747 Street No. 4, Naveen Nagar, Haibowal Kalan, Jassian Road, Ludhiana 141001.								
Terms and conditions: 1. The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions: 02. The properties are being sold on “ AS IS WHERE IS BASIS ” and “ AS IS WHAT IS BASIS ” and “ WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS ” 03. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. 04. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website 									