

CANE DEVELOPMENT SECTION

The section is a law enforcing agency which implements various schemes related to development of sugarcane and reviews these schemes at regular intervals. In order to avoid exploitation of farmers and other problems related to mills, the section regularly checks the weight and measures, survey of sugarcane, bonds, slip system, recovery of sugar, cane payment etc. At regular intervals the team of the section visits the farmers' fields along with the officials from the sugar mills which observe the crop to check any insect or disease attack and advise the farmers for the required control measures. The farmers are also educated through Farmers Training Courses and Demonstrations.

INTRODUCTION

Sugarcane is an important cash crop of Punjab State. Sugarcane provides a number of key products required as raw material for various industrial purposes. The Success of COJ- 64 and subsequent release of early maturing varieties gave boost to sugar industries by improving sugar recovery from 8.5 to 10.5%. Efforts of cane growers and positive and encouraging attitude of state agriculture department and sugar mills can boost the sugarcane production. Assistant cane development officer office shifted from Morinda to Ludhiana Barewal Awana on 18-11-1996. This office works under the leadership of cane commissioner Punjab Chandigarh. This cane section deals with three mills from here i.e. The Budhewal Co-op sugar mill Budhewal, Ludhiana, The Jagraon Co-op sugar mill Jagraon, Ludhiana and The Morinda Co-op sugar mill Morinda, Roopnagar. At present, this office supervises the working of The Budhewal Co-op sugar mill Budhewal Ludhiana only as Jagraon co-op sugar mill had closed in April 2004.

Targets & Achievements of Sugarcane						
Year	Target		Ratoon	Autumn	Plant	Total (Hectare)
	Area (ha)	Production (MT)				
2004-05	1100	1600	537.75	134.05	428.75	1100.55
2005-06	1100	1600	255.50	307.20	614.20	1177.60
2006-07	1100	1600	325.32	335.28	757.4	1418.00
2007-08	1100	1600	571.96	430.40	1005.24	2007.60
2008-09	1000	1600	234.90	62.20	504.80	801.90
2009-10	1000	1600	234.90	62.20	504.80	801.90

Price & Payments of Sugarcane (in Lac)				
Year	Oty of Cane purchased (in Qtl)	Rate/ Qtl	Cane Price Due	Cane price Paid
2004-05	571391	Rs 100, 98 & 96	568.59	568.59
2005-06	394750	Rs 115, 113 & 111	452.42	452.42
2006-07	1015890	Rs 132, 128 & 126	1321.47	1321.47
2007-08	1817554	Rs 132, 128 & 126	2387.72	2387.72
2008-09	564732	RS 165, 160 & 155	915.63	915.63

Detail of Purchase Tax deposited in Treasury (in Lac)					
Year	Oty of Cane Purchased (in Qtl)	Purchased pay due	Deposited in Govt Try		
2004-05	571391	285695.50	285696.00		
2005-06	394750	197375.00	197375.00		
2006-07	1015890	507945.00	507945.00		
2007-08	1817554	908777.00	908777.00		
2008-09	564732	282366.00	282366.00		
Proposal for next 5 years Sugarcane Development Projects					
Year	Ratoon	Auntumn	Plant	Total (ha)	Expected Expenditure (in Lac)
2009-10	200	1000	1000	2200	185.25
2010-11	800	1200	1200	3200	188.45
2011-12	1000	1500	1500	4000	191.35
2012-13	1200	1500	1500	4200	194.70
2013-14	1300	1600	1600	4500	197.95
TOTAL	4500	6800	6800	18100	957.70