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Farm Acts, Let's Spread Reality

1. The Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill

Allow farmers to sell their produce outside d Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC)

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APMCs r Govt Controlled Mandis. So farmers clearly hv more choice who dey wanna sell NOW

APMC is an obsolete institution has now become farmers oppressor, a monopoly cartel fixing low prices for d farmers' produce, forcing distress sales, 1st good Pt

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2. The Farmers (Empowerment & Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance & Farm Services Bill

Dis Bill makes provisions for d setting up of a framework for contract farming

Farmer & an ordained buyer can strike a deal EVEN before d production happens

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3. The Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill 2020

The FPTC (Promotion & Facilitation) Ordinance allows intra-state & inter-state trade of farmers produce beyond d physical premises of APMC markets

State Govts can't levy any market Fee/Cess outside APMC areas

3rd good Point

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Benefits

- 1 Can avoid APMC/Middleman & sell d produce anywhere to anyone
- 2 Bypass d Essential Commodities Act & be free to store inventory
- 3 Free to make contracts & transfer risk to Businessmen in deals made over a crop EVEN before yield is made

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Govt had 4 rounds of talks wid farmers' unions but impasse hs not been broken

Centre hs also assured MSP won't be withdrawn but Farmers' lobby isn't ready to buy that & demands d repeal of the recently passed Farm Bills

Why? Who's misguiding farmers

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Punjab Farmers r looking at short term monetary gains while d Farm Bills were coined wid long-term economics in mind

False Rumours about MSP is gonna be withdrawn is being spread. Why

Well-funded group in a democracy can hijack the nation's interest

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Behind these protests r the Arthiyas, buying agents in APMC mandis who stand to lose Rs 100 crore a year in commissions

with politicians
As well as the rich farmers of Punjab who are part of the 6 of India's farmers who benefit from the MSP regime
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Govt buys 89% of d rice in Punjab & 85% in Haryana
Farmers in Punjab/Haryana face NO price risk & r in fact incentivised to grow paddy & wheat
But d nation hs been facing a shortage of pulses
Wheat & Rice instead hv been a surplus in FCl's godowns
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Overall Farm Acts r encouraging farmers to strike deals with large corporates
APMC monopoly is finished
Practically NO farmer lost money
Farmers are kings
But @AamAadmiParty @INCIndia @Akali_Dal_ see a chance of politics & spreading the rumours
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Let's ignore Punjabi Singers who hv NO local Standi & have political ambitions
Dese Farm Acts r d LONG outstanding demands of Farmers now met but opposed for political reasons
Let's fight it out wid reasons & reach out to REAL FARMERS @narendramodi
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Raising issues like CAA, Article 370, Hindu-Sikh proves POLITICS on d shoulders of innocent farmers

Let's fight so dat poor farmers aren't cheated again by $\underline{@INCIndia}$ led sinister plan

Let real farmers earn more wid new #FarmLaws

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