

Tour report of Sh. Harcharan Singh Josh, Member, NCM
on his visit to Chandigarh
From 29.6. 08 to 1.7.08

On 29.6.08, I proceeded for Chandigarh on Tour at 6.00 A.M. and reached Chandigarh at 10.00 AM.

29th JUNE 2008 - 11.00 A.M.

I attended the meeting as a Chief Guest organized by Guru Anged Dev Educational and Welfare Council (Regd.) at Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurudwara, Sector 46-D, Chandigarh. The main points which were discussed in the meeting are related for the upliftment of weaker sections of Sikh Community particularly Vanjara and Sikligar Sikhs. The organization has demanded that a Research Study should be arranged for the poor condition of Sikligars, Vanjaras and Dakshini Sikhs. It has been informed in the meeting that NCM has already approved the Research Study on the above mentioned Subject for Sikhs who are living in very pitiable condition in the various parts of the country.

4.30 PM

I met with H. E. the Governor Shri A.R. Kidwai and apprised him about the problems being faced by the Minorities in the State of Haryana and also about the non-implementation of the 15-Point Programme of Hon'ble Prime Minister in the State.

30th June 2008 - 10.00 AM

A meeting was held with the Government Officials of Haryana about the 18 pending cases of the Commission. Some of the Officials from the various Districts have submitted their Reports and rest of them assured that they will be sending their Reports within 15 days to NCM.

2.30 PM

A meeting was held with Officials of UT Administration at Chandigarh in which four important cases relating to minorities were discussed. The detailed Status Report about the all the Cases have submitted by the Administration of Chandigarh.

The Meeting with the Officials of Punjab Government regarding the Pending Cases of the Commission could not be taken because the State Government has declared a Public Holiday on 30th June 2008 on account of Election in the State.

1st July 2008, 11.30 AM

I had a meeting with the Advisor, Chandigarh Administration where the problems of poor conditions of Roads, Water, Sanitation and Education in the village Malloya were discussed. In village Malloya, the population of Sikligar Sikhs is about 8000. I also discussed the implementation of 15-Point Programme of the Hon'ble Prime Minister. The

Advisor assured that the Administration will provide all admissible facilities to these residents at the earliest.

During the above visit Legal Officer, NCM and my Private Secretary were also present.

We left Chandigarh at 12 PM and reached Delhi at 5.00 P.M.