

AGRARIAN CRISIS: A REVIEW PAPER ON CAUSES OF FARMER'S DISTRESS

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ABSTRACT

Punjab agriculture has undergone significant structural changes since the advent of green revolution in the mid sixties. Traditional agriculture has progressively given way to modern and commercial agriculture. Agriculture in Punjab has changed its face from the means of subsistence to the source of earning. Commercialization of Punjab agriculture is the outcome of rapid mechanization, use of chemical fertilizers, greater capital formation in agricultural sector and change in the production pattern etc. All this has increased the cost of production and thus making agriculture non-profitable venture. Punjab agriculture is on the crossroads and mounting agrarian crisis has reached alarming heights.

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