

1. Questions

(a) Starred Questions:

Total number of questions on the order paper	Answered	Not put	Postponed	Answered under Rule 38	Number of supplementaries
20	17	-	2	1	24

(b) Unstarred Questions:10

2. Ruling by the Hon'ble Speaker regarding disallowing the Adjournment Motion submitted by Sardar Partap Singh Bajwa, Leader of the Opposition on 04.08.2026.

The Hon'ble Speaker announced that two notices of adjournment motions given on 04.08.2026 by Sardar Partap Singh Bajwa, Leader of the Opposition, Sardar Vikramjit Singh Chaudhary, M.L.A., Sardar Kuldeep Singh Dhillon, M.L.A. and other Hon'ble MLAs have been disallowed by him after consideration under Rule 61(X) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

3. Calling Attention Notice

1. Shri Balkar Singh Sidhu, M.L.A. drew the attention of the Government towards overloading of 66 K.V. line from Lehra Thermal Plant to Bhai Rupa, District Bathinda.

(No. 21)

The Power Minister gave reply.

4. Papers to be laid on the Table

The Parliamentary Affairs Minister laid papers on the Table of the House as mentioned at Serial No. 1 to 6 as shown under Item No. 3 in List of Business.

5. Motion of Thanks

The following Motion of Thanks was moved in the House by Sardar Kuldeep Singh Dhaliwal, MLA and carried:

“That employment is the biggest hope for every youth. According to recent figures presented in Parliament, although Punjab’s unemployment rate has improved, it remains above the national average. This reminds us that creating employment must remain among our top priorities. But the real question is not whether challenges exist or not. The real question is how the government faces these challenges. This government has prioritized action over excuses. For decades, the trust of Punjab's youth in the recruitment system was eroded. Government jobs were

attached to recommendations, political interference and corruption. Merit was often left behind. The government of Bhagwant Singh Mann has fundamentally transformed this culture.

Today, every youth in Punjab knows that success depends on hard work and merit, not on political connections. Transparent examinations, unbiased selection processes, and corruption-free recruitment have restored the trust of lakhs of candidates. Since 1 April, 2022 the Punjab Government has provided 68,228 government jobs through fully transparent and merit-based recruitment processes across various departments. These appointments include:

- 16,316 recruitments in the School Education Department,
- 14,723 in the Home Affairs Department,
- 8,706 in the Power Department,
- 5,681 in the Local Government Department,
- 4,758 recruitments in the Health and Family Welfare Department.

Apart from these, thousands of appointments have been made in Revenue, Medical Education, Water Resources, Agriculture and several other departments. These figures are not just counts. Behind every appointment lies the transformed future of a family. A young graduate no longer has to depend on recommendations and there is confidence that honesty and hard work are now being truly valued.

No State can solve the problem of unemployment through government jobs alone. Sustainable employment is created when industries invest, factories expand, businesses grow and entrepreneurship is encouraged. Understanding this reality, the Honorable Chief Minister has made continuous efforts to make Punjab one of India's leading investment destinations through policy stability, ease of doing business and transparent governance, the results of which are before us.

From March 16, 2022, to July 31, 2026, Punjab received 9,899 investment proposals involving a proposed investment of ₹1,83,837 crore. Through these, there is potential to create employment opportunities for 6,16,436 people across the State.

These investments have taken place in sectors such as manufacturing, steel, renewable energy, pharmaceuticals, food processing, healthcare services, education, cement, hotel industry, logistics and information technology. Major companies including Tata Steel, HMEL Organics, SAEL Solar, Ambuja Cements, Happy Forgings, Vardhman Special Steels, Nestlé India and many others have chosen Punjab for major expansion projects, demonstrating renewed confidence in the State's economy.

This government has adopted a two-pronged strategy for this:

- Transparent government recruitment, where eligible youth get jobs purely based on merit; and

- Large-scale industrial investment, creating sustainable employment opportunities in the private sector.

This is visionary governance. This is governance that empowers our youth rather than compelling them to migrate out of helplessness.

This House acknowledges that the challenge of unemployment still exists and much more remains to be done, but it is also important to commend the government that has prioritized transparency over corruption, merit over favouritism and development over stagnation.

Therefore, this House expresses its gratitude to the Hon'ble Chief Minister and his Cabinet

- For re-restoring trust in the recruitment system and ensuring transparent and corruption-free appointments;
- For providing 68,228 government jobs across various departments based on merit;
- For attracting 9,899 investment proposals worth ₹1,83,837 crore and creating potential for 6,16,436 job opportunities in Punjab;
- For creating an environment where both public and private sector employment opportunities are securing the future of Punjab's youth;

This House congratulates and commends the Honorable Chief Minister and his government for laying a strong foundation for a prosperous, progressive and employment-focused Punjab.”

The following members participated in the discussion on the above motion and spoke for the time as mentioned against their names:

1. Smt. Jeevanjyot Kaur, Aam Aadmi Party	03 Minutes
2. Dr. Baljit Kaur, Women and Child Development Minister	08 Minutes
3. Sardar Sukhpal Singh Khaira, Indian National Congress Party	05 Minutes
4. Shri Barinder Kumar Goyal, Water Resources Minister	08 Minutes
5. Shri Avtar Singh Junior, Indian National Congress Party	07 Minutes
6. Sardar Kulwant Singh Pandori, Aam Aadmi Party	01 Minute
7. Sardar Harjot Singh Bains, Higher Education Minister	05 Minutes
8. Sardar Manpreet Singh Ayali, Shiromani Akali Dal	04 Minutes
9. Shri Rajneesh Kumar Dahiya, Aam Aadmi Party	05 Minutes
10. Sardar Pargat Singh Powar, Indian National Congress Party	01 Minute
11. Sardar Hardev Singh Laddi, Indian National Congress Party	01 Minute
12. Sardar Amritpal Singh Sukhanand, Aam Aadmi Party	01 Minute

13. Shri Sukhwinder Singh Kotli, Indian National Congress Party	01 Minute
14. Rana Gurjeet Singh, Indian National Congress Party	05 Minutes
15. Smt. Sarvjit Kaur Manuke, Aam Aadmi Party	01 Minute
16. Sardar Harpal Singh Cheema, Finance Minister	01 Minute

Shri Aman Arora, New and Renewable Energy Resources Minister, by way of reply to the discussion on the resolution, spoke for 16 minutes.

6. Welcome Announcement by the Hon'ble Speaker

The Hon'ble Speaker informed the House regarding the presence of Students & Teachers of Modern Public School, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi in the House and welcomed them on behalf of the entire House.

7. Postponing the Legislative Business mentioned in the List of Business for the next day.

With the consent of the House, the legislative business listed in today's List of Business was postponed by the Hon'ble Speaker for the next day.

8. Walk Out

1. Except Shri Sandeep Jakhar, all the Members of Indian National Congress Party present in the House staged a walk-out from the House, raising slogans in protest against disallowing the Adjournment Motion.

2. Sardar Kuldeep Singh Kala Dhillon, Member, Indian National Congress Party staged a walk-out from the House in protest against not being allowed to speak on his question during Question Hour.

3. Shri Avtar Singh Junior, Member, Indian National Congress Party staged a walk-out from the House in protest against not being given time to speak.

9. Adjournment of the House for a short period

The House was adjourned by the Hon'ble Speaker from 11.22 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.

The House then adjourned till 10.00 A.M. on Thursday, the 06th August, 2026.

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The 05th August, 2026

Ram Lok Khatana

Secretary