



People at the camp at PUDA office in Sector 62, Chandigarh, Thursday. *Jasbir Malhi*

# Grievance redressal camp: On Day One, GMADA resolves eight complaints

## Department of Housing and Urban Development organises camps in compliance with Punjab CM's order

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AS MANY as eight of the 89 complaints, received from places under Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), were resolved on the spot on Thursday, the first day of grievance redressal camps being held by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Vini Mahajan, Additional Chief Secretary, Punjab Housing and Urban Development Department, said that the grievance redressal camps are being held at the headquarters of various development authorities in compliance with the orders of Chief Minister Captain Amrinder Singh.

On the first day, a total of 158 applicants turned up with grievances pertaining to Estate Offices, Land Acquisition Collector Office and Engineering Wing.

GMADA received the maximum complaints, followed by Jalandhar Development Authority (19), Patiala Development Authority (18), Amritsar Development Authority (14), Bathinda Development Authority (11) and Greater Ludhiana Area Development

Authority (seven).

"Out of 89 grievances of GMADA, eight issues were resolved on the spot, while remaining 81 cases will be resolved within 15 days," said Punjab Urban Development Authority (PUDA) Chief Administrator Ravi Bhagat.

The allottees of Sectors 76-80 raised the issue of development, requesting to complete works like carpeting of roads, related to public health, electrification and horticulture. The chief administrator instructed the engineering wing to resolve the problems at the earliest.

The 1984 riot victims also approached the GMADA regarding notices, which they received for vacating their houses. Sonia, one of the allottees of an LIG flat in Phase 11, said that GMADA had again sent them the notices asking them to vacate their houses. "GMADA has asked us to take built-up booths in lieu of the flats. How we can do that," she asked.

Some land owners came up with issues related to the payment of compensation. They were assured that the payments will be released soon. Issues related to Estate Offices were regarding issuance of allotment letters, refunds and change in ownership of properties.



A grievance redressal camp under way at the GMADA office in Mohali on Thursday. TRIBUNE PHOTO: VICKY

## Grievance redressal: 158 turn up at PUDA camps on Day 1

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A total of 158 applicants aired their grievances pertaining to Estate Office, Land Acquisition Collector's Office and Engineering Wing on the first day of the two-day PUDA grievance redress camps being held at the respective headquarters of various development authorities today.

According to Ravi Bhagat, Chief Administrator, PUDA/GMADA, as many as 89 applications were received in GMADA area, followed by 19 at Jalandhar Development Authority, 18 at Patiala Development Authority, 14 at Amritsar

Development Authority, 11 at Bathinda Development Authority and seven at GLADA.

"Out of 89 grievances registered during a camp organised at PUDA Bhawan, Mohali, eight were redressed on the spot while action would be taken on the remaining cases within the next 15 days," said Bhagat.

At the Mohali camp, the grievances pertained to development in Sectors 76-80, carpeting of roads, streets and other works related to public health, civil, electrical and horticulture wings.

The camps also witnessed issues related to payment of

compensation to the owners of acquired land, issuance of allotment letters, refunds and change in the ownership of properties in various sectors and urban estates.

Vini Mahajan, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Punjab, said the camps were being organised in compliance with the orders of Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh. "On the second day of the camp tomorrow, issues pertaining to colonisers, promoters and contractors shall be addressed," said Mahajan. — TNS