

THE TRIBUNE, BATHINDA, MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2012

## GURDASPUR

Voters: 1.33 lakh, Present MLA: G.S. Babbehali (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

G.S. Babbehali (57)



Matriculate SAD  
Assets: ₹4.43 lakh  
Was earlier in Congress; father M.S. Babbehali has remained MLA.

Raman Bahi (52)



Low graduate Congress  
Assets: ₹7.12 lakh  
Son of former Education Minister Kunal Bahi; has been municipal council president.

Hardiyal Singh Gajinpur (52)



Under-matriculate PPP  
Assets:  
₹34 lakh  
Was circle president of SAD, but joined PPP.

KEY ISSUES: Development; unemployment.

## JAITU

Voters: 1.28 lakh, Present MLA: Joginder Singh (Cong)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Joginder Singh (53)



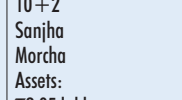
Under-middle Congress  
Assets: ₹2.46 crore  
Was labour union leader before joining politics in 2005.

Gurdev Singh Badal (78)



Uneducated SAD  
Assets: ₹4.87 crore  
Ex-agriculture minister and close to CM Parkash Singh Badal.

Amarjeet Kaur (38)



10+2 Sanjha Morcha  
Assets: ₹2.05 lakh

KEY ISSUES: Lack of development; drinking water; civic amenities.

## JALANDHAR NORTH

Voters: 1.57 lakh, Present MLA: KD Bhandari (BJP)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

KD Bhandari (50)



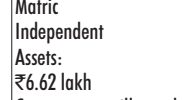
BA BJP  
Assets: ₹42.10 lakh  
Elected in 2007, was made CPS last year.

Avtar Henry (66)



FA Congress  
Assets: ₹1.6 crore  
Elected in 1992, 1997 and 2002, lost in 2007. Has been minister.

Dinesh Dhall (38)



Matric Independent  
Assets: ₹6.62 lakh  
Congress councillor; rebel against Avtar Henry.

KEY ISSUES: Railway over-bridges, polluting industries; removal of high-tension wires.

## KARTARPUR (SC)

Voters: 1.47 lakh, Present MLA: Avinash Chander (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Sarwan S. Phullaur (64)



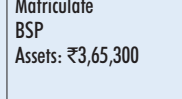
BA SAD  
Assets: ₹1.84 crore  
MLA from Phullaur five times; trying Kartarpur the first time.

Ch Jagjit Singh (78)



Matriculate Congress  
Assets: ₹1.6 crore  
Contesting eighth consecutive time; won five times.

Kamal Dev (45)



Matriculate BSP  
Assets: ₹3,65,300

KEY ISSUES: Petty crime; development of rural areas.

## KHEM KARAN

Voters: 1.8 lakh, Present MLA: Virsa Singh Valtoha (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Gurchar Singh Bhullar (71)



Matriculate Congress  
Assets: ₹2.15 crore  
Irrigation Minister in Amarinder government.

Virsa Singh Valtoha (49)



MA SAD  
Assets: ₹1.46 crore  
Former hardliner, defeated Bhullar in 2007. Close to Sukhbir Badal.

Sarwan Singh Dhanna (40)



Middle pass PPP  
Assets: ₹3 crore  
Formerly close associate of Majitha MLA Birkamjit Singh, switched to PPP.

KEY ISSUES: Education, health infrastructure; civic amenities; jobs.

## LUDHIANA CENTRAL

Voters: 1.2 lakh, Sitting MLA: None (new constituency)

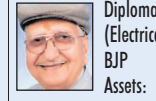
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Surinder Dwar (61)



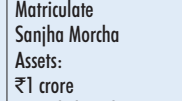
Matric Congress  
Assets: ₹12.8 crore  
Has been president of District Congress Committee; ex-MLA from Ludhiana East.

Sat Pal Gosain (73)



Diploma (Electrical) BJP  
Assets:  
₹3.5 crore  
Veteran BJP leader; has been Dy Speaker, Health Minister.

Amarjit Singh Madan (59)



Matriculate Sanjha Morcha  
Assets: ₹1 crore  
Was Akali earlier. Lost municipal poll in 1997.

KEY ISSUES: Covering of Ganda Nullah, drainage in Janakpuri; rain-water management.

## LUDHIANA WEST

VOTERS: 1.49 lakh, Elected MLA: Harish Rai Dhandu, resigned (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Bharat Bhushan Ashu (40)



Graduate Congress  
Assets: ₹7 crores  
Councillor since 1997.

Rajinder Bhandari (57)



Post-graduate BJP  
Assets: ₹1.9 crore  
Former state president of the BJP.

D. P. Maur (61)



B.Sc; PG diploma PPP  
Assets:  
₹37.7 lakh  
PAU Employees Union president.

KEY ISSUES: Traffic jams and encroachments.

## MANSA

Voters: 1.63 lakh, Present MLA: Sher Singh Gogwal (Congress)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Gurpreet Kaur (38)



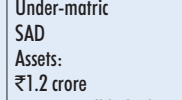
BA-II Congress  
Assets: ₹10.15 lakh  
Daughter-in-law of three-time Congress MLA from Mansa.

Hardev Arshi (62)



Graduate CPI  
Assets: ₹42 lakh  
Former Budhlada MLA, active in CPI since long.

Prem Mittal (63)



Under-matric SAD  
Assets: ₹1.2 crore  
Born in Budhlada, living in Ludhiana since long. Ex-senior deputy mayor.

KEY ISSUES: Lack of basic amenities; cancer hospital.

## MUKERIAN

Voters: 1.6 lakh, Present MLA: Arunesh Shakar

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Ajit Narang (62)



B.Com Congress  
Assets: ₹12.7 crore  
Social worker; contesting first time.

Arunesh Shakar (61)



MA BJP  
Assets: ₹1.5 crore  
Minister for Forest, Medical Education & Research. Two-time MLA.

KEY ISSUES: Lack of infrastructure.

## GURUHARSAHI

Voters: 1.41 lakh, Present MLA: Gurmeet Singh Sodhi (Cong)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Gurmeet Singh Sodhi (58)



Senior secondary Congress  
Assets: ₹8 crore  
Two-time MLA and Chief Whip (LP); close to Capt Amarinder Singh.

Vardev Singh Mann (47)



BA SAD  
Assets: ₹10.5 crore  
Son of three time Ferozpur MP Zora Singh Mann.

Charanjit Singh (26)



BA LLB CPI  
Assets: ₹75,000  
Youth leader of the area; new entrant in politics.

KEY ISSUES: Upgraded as sub-division, residents now want infrastructure; jobs.

## JALALABAD

Voters: 1.71 lakh, Present MLA: Sukhbir Singh Badal (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Sukhbir Singh Badal (49)



MA, MBA SAD  
Assets: ₹91 crore  
Deputy CM of Punjab and SAD president.

Malkit Singh (37)



Matriculate Congress  
Assets: ₹24 lakh  
Novice in politics, represents dominating Rai Sikh community.

Hans Raj Josan (56)



BA, LLB Independent  
Assets: ₹4.5 crore  
Minister in Amarinder government; denied Congress ticket now.

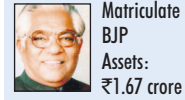
KEY ISSUES: Upgraded as sub-division, residents now want infrastructure; jobs.

## JALANDHAR WEST

Voters: 1.35 lakh, Present MLA: Bhagat Chuni Lal (BJP)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Bhagat Chuni Lal (81)



Matriculate BJP  
Assets: ₹1.67 crore  
Veteran leader won in 1997 too.

Suman Kaypee (55)



MA Congress  
Assets: ₹1.34 crore  
Wife of veteran Congress leader Mohinder Singh Kaypee; contesting the first time.

Raj Kumar Raju (39)



Matriculate PPP  
Assets: ₹1.24 lakh  
Chosen by Manpreet Badal for work with NGO Anti-Crime Society.

KEY ISSUES: Bad roads, lack of open spaces in 'basti' areas; sewerage.

## KHANDOOR SAHIB

Voters: 1.69 lakh, Present MLA: Manjit Singh Manna (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Ramanjit Singh Sikki (45)



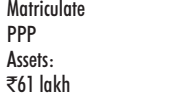
10+2 Congress  
Assets: ₹1.45 crore  
Wealthy potato-seed producer; first-timer; close to ex-MP Rana Gurjit Singh.

Ranjeet Singh Brahmura (74)



Under-matric late SAD  
Assets: ₹5.81 crore  
Of five polls he contested, lost only one (by 142 votes).

Balwinder Singh (43)



Matriculate PPP  
Assets: ₹61 lakh  
Former Akali and influential trader.

KEY ISSUES: Development, unemployment, drugs.

## KOTKAPURA

Voters: 1.29 lakh, Present MLA: Ripjeet Singh Brar (Cong)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Ripjeet Singh Brar (49)



Engineer Congress  
Assets: ₹72 lakh  
Younger brother of CWC member Jagmeet Singh Brar.

Mantar Singh Brar (47)



MA SAD  
Assets: ₹7.53 crore  
Won in 1997 as Independent, 2002 as SAD candidate.

Upinder Sharma (63)



LLB Independent  
Assets: ₹88 lakh  
Formerly in Congress and ex-jail minister, won in 1992.

KEY ISSUES: No development in last 20 years.

## LUDHIANA EAST

VOTERS: 1.49 lakh, Sitting MLA: Sat Pal Gosain (BJP)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Gurmail S Pehalwan (54)



Matric Congress  
Assets: ₹12.21 crore  
Quit Congress in 2007 and contested on BSP ticket; readmitted in 2009.

Ranjit Singh Dhillon (47)



Matriculate SAD  
Assets: ₹2.90 crore  
Three-time councillor; general secretary of district party unit.

Daljit Singh (61)



Graduate Sanjha Morcha (PPP)  
Assets: ₹2.5 crore  
Former circle president of SAD; recently joined PPP.

KEY ISSUES: Bad roads; drainage.

## MAJITHA

Voters: 1.31 lakh, Present MLA: Birkam Singh Majithia (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Birkam S Majithia (36)



Graduate SAD  
Assets: ₹11.21 crore.  
Related to the CM's family, managed many development projects for Majitha.

Shalinder Jit S Shelly (36)



Homeopathy Congress  
Assets: ₹79 lakh  
Rahul Gandhi's choice to contest from this seat, ousting Sukhinder Lalli.

Sukhinder Raj S Lalli Majithia (52)



MSc (Agri) Independent  
Assets: ₹5.42 crore  
Denied Congress ticket, turned rebel.

## MAUR

Voters: 1.43 lakh, Sitting MLA: None (new constituency)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Janmeja S Sakhan (68)



Higher sec. SAD  
Assets: ₹4.9 crore  
Ferozpur MLA, Irrigation Minister at present; new-comer in Maur.

Mangot Rai Bansal (53)



Graduate BA Congress  
Assets: ₹56 lakh  
Sitting MLA from Budhlada; new-comer in Maur.

Manpreet S Badal (49)



LLB, Bar at Law PPP  
Assets: ₹23 crore  
PPP president, former finance minister.

KEY ISSUES: Irrigation deficient at tail-end of canal.

## MUKTSAR

Voters: 1.53 lakh, Present MLA: Kanwarjeet Singh Brar "Sunny" (Cong)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Karan Kaur Brar (60)



Graduate Congress  
Assets: ₹1.88 crore  
Wife of sitting MLA; daughter-in-law of former CM Harcharan Brar.

Kanwarjeet S Barkandi (39)



Graduate SAD  
Assets: ₹1.45 crore  
District YAD president, Muktsar; close to Sukhbir Badal.

Jagjeet S Fattanwala (38)



Graduate PPP  
Assets: ₹2.90 crore  
Cousin of Manpreet Badal; ex-Chairman, Muktsar Improvement Trust.

KEY ISSUES: Water-logging, railway under-bridge.

## HOSHARPUR

Voters: 1.49, Present MLA: Tikshan Sud (BJP)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Sunder Sham Arora (53)



Matric Congress  
Assets: ₹21.7 crore  
Social worker; lost as Independent in 2002.

Tikshan Sud (57)



MA, LLB BJP  
Assets: ₹6.3 crore  
Has won three consecutive terms; is Minister for Local Government and Industries.

KEY ISSUES: Drinking and irrigation water; wild animals.

## JALANDHAR CANTT

Voters: 1.49 lakh, Present MLA: Jagbir Brar (Then with SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Jagbir Brar (49)



LLB Congress, Assets: ₹2.5 crore  
Quit SAD to join PPP, but then shifted to the Congress.

Pargat Singh (47)



BA SAD  
Assets: ₹63 lakh  
Political greenhorn; was Director, Sports, Punjab.

Baba Rajinder Singh Johal (65)



Graduate PPP  
Assets: ₹74.38 lakh  
Left Congress to join the PPP ahead of polls.

KEY ISSUES: Abolition of octroi in Jalandhar Cantonment; civil-military tussles.

## JANDIALA (SC)

Voters: 1.42 lakh, Present MLA: Malkit Singh (SAD)

## MAIN CONTESTANTS

Saral Singh Bandola (68)



MA, LLB Congress  
Assets: ₹72 lakh  
Former Excise and Taxation Minister; contesting third time.

Baljit Singh Jaluluma (37)



Matriculate SAD  
Assets: ₹3.97 lakh  
Baba Bakala SGPC member; contesting for Assembly the first time.

KEY ISSUES: Roads, sewerage, bus stand and unemployment.

## KHANNA

Voters: 1.5 lakh, Present MLA: Birkamjit Singh Khalsa (SAD)