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### **About the National Seminar**

#### **Topic: The Role of Punjab Mandi Board in Rural Development**

Punjab State Agricultural Marketing Board (PSAMB) was established on 26<sup>th</sup> May, 1961 under the Punjab Agricultural Produce Markets Act, 1961 with an objective to control and supervise the marketing network of sale, purchase, storage and processing of processed or non processed agricultural produce so notified from agricultural, horticultural, animal husbandry and forest produce. PSAMB is a corporate body as well as a local authority having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to acquire, hold and sell property. There are 149 Agricultural Produce Market Committees in the State established under the Act. There are one principal market yard, one or more sub market yards and seasonal purchase centres in each market committee. During the marketing season for the wheat in Rabi and Paddy in Kharif about 1790 and 1514 purchase centres are established apart from the main principal market yards and sub market yards which facilitate the farmer to sell his produce within the radius of six to eight km. PSAMB exercises superintendence and control over the APMC's. The topic will be discussed with reference to the following broad issues:

- A. The role of Punjab Mandi Board
  - in the rural development of Punjab
  - in tackling the emerging socio-economic problems of rural masses
  - in strengthening the R&D of the state
  - in redressal of farmers' problems regarding disposal of agricultural produce
  - in ensuring the proper enforcement of prevailing regulations in transaction of agricultural produce
  - in ensuring food security in the light of recent policy developments
  - in promotion of direct marketing (Apni Mandi, etc.) for the welfare of producer as well as consumer
- B. Policy issues for further strengthening of agricultural marketing system
- C. The supplementary role of various organisations in facilitating the value addition and exports of agro products
- D. The role of subsidiary occupations in rural development.

**Last Date of paper submission:** 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2014

**Date of Seminar:** 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2014

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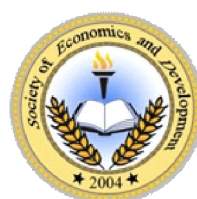
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