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Punjab must be engaged in serious debate based on accurate data about the scale and nature of drug menace, before adopting a cure that may turn out to be much worse than the disease.

As a move to curbe the drug problem in punjab the state government has taken certain serious steps.

The government has proposed to conduct compulsory drug test for all the government employees. And a death penalty for drug peddlers who are the infecting the states. ~~The~~ The government has also prohibited sale of syringe to public without any prescription of a doctor.

Even through the government is trying to curb the drug trafficking the proposed measure are not based on any actual facts or information available insted it is a measure taken on few assumption.

The government has to identify the source and the route by which the drug is entering into the state. Basing on the geographical location of the state it is

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Know that it is situated near the golden crescent. Thus, the major source is from the border areas.

Since the drug is finding its way into Punjab by border there is a need for an increased reliance on Border security force rather than local police force. And it can be also observed that the police force is being accused for supporting drug trafficking in the state. There is also a need for strong check on illegal opium farming in the border areas.

As a result the government has to increase its information collection by the state officials in order to take targeted measures for curbing the drug problem.

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