

**PARKASH SINGH BADAL, SARDAR
(SHIROMANI AKALI DAL)
CHIEF MINISTER PUNJAB**

Date of birth: 08-12-1927

Place of birth: Village Abul Khurana, District Muktsar

Name of wife : Smt.Surinder Kaur,

Children: One son and one daughter

Education: B.A.

Profession: Politics and Agriculture

- Entered politics in 1947 and elected to the Punjab Vidhan Sabha in 1957, 1969, 1972, 1977, 1980, 1985, 1997, 2002 and again in February, 2007 (Ninth term)
- Remained Chief Minister of Punjab on three different occasions i.e. from 27-3-1970 to 14-06-1971, 20-6-1977 to 17-2-1980 & February 1997 to February 2002
- Remained Member of Parliament and Union Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation in the Government headed by late Sh. Morarji Desai in 1997
- Remained Leader of opposition in Punjab Vidhan Sabha on three different occasions in 1972, 1980 and March 2002- February 2007
- Ffounder of Guru Nanak College for Women, Muktsar and Guru Gobind Singh college for Men, Giddarbaha
- Sarpanch, Village Badal and Chairman, Block Samiti, Lambi
- Member, Working Committee, SAD and Senior Vice President, SAD; Member Working Committee of SGPC; remained President of SAD for three terms and now again, President of SAD ; remained Chairman, Parliamentary Board, SAD
- Detained in Karnal Jail in connection with Civil Liberties Agitation; detained under MISA during Emergency; went to jail several times for the cause of Punjab, Punjabis and Punjabiats including Dharm Youdh Morcha and spent about 17 years in jail fighting for the bright future of Punjab.
- During long political career, gave high priority to the economic growth of the state, especially in Agriculture and Industrial fields; made significant contribution in the development process of the country besides the development of the Punjab State; always kept the interest of the common people foremost in mind
- Took special interest for providing basic amenities to the common people in the countryside with special emphasis on providing safe potable water to the masses; a tireless campaigner for Democracy, Civil Liberties and Rule of Law; remained in the vanguard of Punjab's March for establishing and maintaining an era of amity, brotherhood, communal harmony, prosperity and lasting peace in the state.

Interests- Social Service

Sports/Clubs- Athletics and Badminton

Chelmsford Club, New Delhi

Traves/Countries- America, Japan, Canada, U.K. and West Germany

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