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## Be a force to be reckoned with: Ghatowar to tea growers



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Union Minister for DoNER, Paban Singh Ghatowar exhorted upon the small tea growers to maintain quality of their produce to get minimum remunerative price.

Ghatowar said the need of the hour for the small tea growers is to organise themselves to become a force to be reckoned with. He requested the Tea Board to provide fertilisers, transport and other incentives at subsidised rates for the benefit of the small tea growers. Ghatowar further requested the State Government to regularise the land patta of the small tea growers to allay the apprehensions from their minds. Ghatowar while urging the Tea Board to set up a welfare fund for the labourers working in the small tea gardens, asked the owners of the small tea gardens to ensure minimum wages to the labourers.

Earlier, in his welcome address, Chairman of Tea Board of India, MGVK Bhanu said that the Tea Board has accorded priority to the growth of the small tea growers as they have contributed significantly to the development of the tea industry as a whole.



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