

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

**LOK SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 276  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018**

**WELFARE OF OUTSOURCED WORKERS**

**†\*276. SHRI AJAY NISHAD:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether several works of public sector undertakings, Government and semi-Government departments and private companies are carried out through outsourcing;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the present mechanism to ensure compliance of social security/labour laws for the benefit of persons employed in outsourcing companies;**
- (d) whether the Government has looked into the service conditions and welfare schemes for the workers engaged to carry out the outsourced works and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 276 FOR ANSWER ON 31.12.2018 REGARDING WELFARE OF OUTSOURCED WORKERS BY SHRI AJAY NISHAD.**

**(a) & (b): The establishments, whether Government or Private, in the Central and the State Sphere may outsource jobs/works based on their respective requirements. The General Financial Rules 2017 (GFR 2017) allow the Central Government establishments to outsource certain services. As each Ministry/Department is competent to procure services of outsourcing agencies at their level to meet seasonal or short-term requirements, the centralized data is not maintained in this regard.**

**(c) to (e): In order to ensure compliance of the extant labour laws and the welfare provisions thereunder, the Centre and the State(s) have their own enforcement agencies. In the Central sphere a well-established Central Industrial Relations Machinery (CIRM) is in place to investigate the service conditions and welfare of the workers. The country-wide network of Dy. Chief Labour Commissioners (Central) and Regional Labour Commissioners (Central) under the control of the Chief Labour Commissioner (Central) ensures strict compliance of various applicable labour laws in the Central Sphere.**

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**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 967  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2018  
SLOWDOWN IN THE GROWTH OF EMPLOYMENT**

**967. SHRIMATI VASANTHI M.:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether it is a fact that in the one year series of enrolment numbers released so far, the Employee Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) revised down numbers for two of 12 months in the latest set of data released recently and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the enrolment number for September, 2017 was revised down by 11.9 percent to 4.25 lakh which is about 26 percent lower than the first number released for September and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the numbers for September-July were revised up by 4.2 percent to 64.27 lakh from its earlier estimate of 61.81 lakh released last month and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) whether it is true that for August, the enrolment numbers slowed down from previous month's number of 9.76 lakh, taking the cumulative net enrolment for September-August to 73.21 lakh and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (d): Since April, 2018, Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has been publishing the month-wise provisional net enrolment figures of its subscribers through its web portal [epfindia.gov.in](http://epfindia.gov.in). The data are being released from September, 2017 onwards. The net new enrolment of Provident Fund (PF) subscribers from September, 2017 to September, 2018 has been 79,48,319 as per the latest payroll report published by EPFO on 20th November, 2018.**

**The EPFO data is based on the returns relating to subscribers filed by the Employer of the registered establishments from time to time as per the provisions of the Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions (EPF & MP) Act, 1952 and the Schemes framed thereunder. The Scheme provides for continuous filing and, therefore, the data get rationalized/revised for every month based on filings.**

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**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 991  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2018**

**AGRICULTURAL WORKFORCE**

**991. SHRI A.P. JITHENDER REDDY:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the year-wise and State-wise data on absolute size of agricultural workforce and workforce employed in construction sector in the country since 2014;**
- (b) the number of non-agricultural wage workers who have access to regular employment with some social security benefits and a written contract, State/ UT-wise and year-wise since 2014 along with the details of steps taken to increase the number;**
- (c) with reference to the answer given in the Unstarred Question No. 530 answered on 14.7.2014, the details of the work, reports, funds consumed by the Inter-Ministerial Committee constituted to draft the National Employment Policy and details of the result of the Employment Policy drafted thereafter; and**
- (d) the details of laws enacted, measures implemented /undertaken by the Government to protect the rights of interstate migrant labourers since 2014?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a): In respect of agricultural workforce, no data is available with this Ministry. However, workforce in Construction Sector as on 30.09.2018 (provisional) is at annexure.**

**(b): No such data is available.**

**(c): After constitution of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) constituted to draft the National Employment Policy on 15.3.2014, the meetings of the committee were held and consultations have been held with various stakeholders like Ministries, State Governments, Trade Unions, Industry Associations etc. for inputs to the Policy.**

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**Expenditure on holding of meetings of said IMC has been on stationery, refreshments etc. which is part of normal office expenses of the Ministry and separate details are not available. However, normally expenditure on one such meeting range between two thousands to five thousands.**

**(d): The Central Government has enacted the Inter-state Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Services) Act, 1979 which, inter alia, provides for payment of minimum wages, journey allowance, displacement allowance, residential accommodation, medical facilities and protective clothing etc. The Government has also enacted the Unorganised Workers Social Security Act, 2008 to provide for the welfare of unorganised workers (including migrant workers) on matters relating to; life and disability cover, health and maternity benefits; old age protection and any other benefit as may be determined. Under the Right to Education Act, all children below the age of fourteen years have a right to compulsory free education. The Central Government has launched the National Health Protection Scheme (Ayushman Bharat) which will cover 10 crore poor and vulnerable families providing coverage up to 5 lakh rupees per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization. These schemes will also cater to the eligible migrant workers. The Central Government in 2017 converged the social security scheme of Aam Aadmi Bima Yojana (AABY) with Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) to provide life and disability coverage to the unorganised workers, depending upon their eligibility. The converged PMJJBY/PMSBY scheme is for the beneficiaries in the age group 18-50 years and provides for coverage of Rs. 2 lakh, in case of natural death and Rs. 4 lakh, in case of accidental death. The converged schemes are being implemented through Life Insurance Corporation of India. A premium of Rs. 342 (330+12) per annum would be required for the converged schemes. The premium would be shared between the State Government and the Central Government in the ratio of 50:50. This Ministry has urged all the states/UTs Governments to give their financial concurrence to cover 50 percent of the premium for all eligible unorganised workers. Around 2.83 crore beneficiaries have been covered under this scheme.**

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**State-wise statement of number of Workers Registered under the Building and Other Construction Workers Acts, 1996.**

As on 30.09.2018(Provisional)		
Sl. No.	Name of the States/UTs	No. of workers registered with the Board
1	Andhra Pradesh	1,815,889
2	Arunachal Pradesh	30,841
3	Assam	143,574
4	Bihar	828,451
5	Chhattisgarh	1,574,790
6	Goa	3,738
7	Gujarat	654,550
8	Haryana	763,373
9	Himachal Pradesh	147,932
10	J&K	342,295
11	Jharkhand	796,146
12	Karnataka	1,542,432
13	Kerala	1,491,300
14	Madhya Pradesh	2,996,227
15	Maharashtra	989,018
16	Manipur	118,332
17	Meghalaya	24,032
18	Mizoram	21,865
19	Nagaland	11,912
20	Odisha	2,234,569
21	Punjab	746,102
22	Rajasthan	2,049,258
23	Sikkim	36,236
24	Tamil Nadu	2,853,544
25	Telangana	1,175,531
26	Tripura	99,762
27	Uttar Pradesh	4,208,744
28	Uttarakhand	232,627
29	West Bengal	3,101,362
30	Delhi	539,421
31	A & N Island	14,392
32	Chandigarh	19,813
33	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2,176
34	Daman and Diu	5,149
35	Lakshadweep	179
36	Puducherry	41,224
	<b>Total</b>	<b>31,656,786</b>

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**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 993  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2018**

**WELFARE OF LABOURERS**

**†993. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of various cesses being levied by the Government for the welfare of the labourers;**
- (b) whether the Government has contemplated/ is contemplating/formulating any incentive policy for the industries which are acting in compliance with the labour laws particularly in regard to women and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to make more effective policy based efforts to make cess more useful for the labourers of the manufacturing sector; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b): The Building and Other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1996 provides safety, health and welfare measures for the building and other construction workers. For the purposes of the above said Act, a cess is levied and collected at the rate of 1% of the cost of construction by the State Governments under the Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Cess Act, 1996. The States, through their respective State Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Boards, constituted under BOCW Act, utilize the cess fund in terms of Section 22 of BOCW Act, 1996. The States and Union Territories have collected around Rs. 45473.1 Crore and have spent an amount Rs. 17591.592 Crore upto 30.09.2018.**

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**Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana has been initiated by the Ministry of Labour and Employment in the year 2016-17 for incentivizing employers for promoting employment generation. Under this scheme, Government is paying the entire employer's contribution (12 % or as admissible) towards the EPS and EPF for all sectors w.e.f. 01.04.2018 to all eligible new employees and is applicable for all sectors for the next 3 years. Till 30th July, 2018, benefits have been given to 76908 Establishments covering 61.36 lakh beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY).**

**(c) & (d): There is no labour welfare cess in the manufacturing sector. However, in order to provide social security and welfare benefits to workers, including those in the manufacturing sector, both in the organised and unorganised sector, the Government is implementing various Acts and Schemes. The social security to the workers in the organized sector is provided mainly through five Central Acts, namely, the Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948, the Employees' Provident Funds & Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952, the Employee's Compensation Act, 1923, the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 and the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972.**

**In order to provide social security benefits to the workers in the unorganised sector, the Central Government is implementing Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act, 2008, to provide welfare schemes in matters relating to life and disability cover, health and maternity benefits, old age protection to the unorganised workers. Various Ministries/Departments of the Central Government are implementing such social security schemes like Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (Ministry of Rural Development); National Family Benefit Scheme (Ministry of Rural Development); health and maternity schemes (Ministry of Health and Family Welfare). The Central Government has also converged the social security scheme of Aam Aadmi Bima Yojana (AABY) with Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) to provide life and disability coverage to the unorganised workers depending upon their eligibility. These converged schemes give coverage of Rs.2 lakhs on death at premium of Rs.330/- per annum and coverage of Rs.2 lakhs on accidental death at premium of Rs.12 per annum, besides disability benefits as per the scheme. The annual premium is shared on 50:50 basis by the Central Government and the State Governments. These schemes are implemented and monitored by Life Insurance Corporation of India and the concerned State Governments.**



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**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1004  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2018**

**REGIONAL AND SUB-REGIONAL OFFICES OF EPFO**

**1004. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the norms stipulated/laid down for establishing Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) Regional & Sub Regional Offices in terms of the number of members and establishment registered;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish more Regional & Sub-Regional offices of the EPFO across the country; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the list of the places identified/selected in this regard, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a): At present, there is no norms stipulated/laid down for opening of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) Regional & Sub-Regional Offices.**

**(b): No, Madam.**

**(c): Does not arise in view of the reply to part (b) of the Question above.**

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**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1025  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.12.2018**

**MINIMUM PENSION**

**1025. SHRI RAJU SHETTY:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any ceiling has been fixed for the minimum pension to the persons working in private sector and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to review the existing pension scheme for the private sector and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether Dearness Allowance is applicable to such pensioners; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b): As regards Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995, a minimum pension of Rs. 1,000/- per month has been prescribed with effect from 01.09.2014 for the pensioners under Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995.**

**In the case of Atal Pension Yojana (APY), depending upon the pension plan selected, each subscriber under APY shall receive a guaranteed minimum pension of Rs. 1000 per month or Rs. 2000 per month or Rs. 3000 per month or Rs. 4000 per month or Rs. 5000 per month, after the age of 60 years until his/her death. If the actual returns during the accumulation phase are higher than the assumed returns for minimum guaranteed pension, such excess will be passed on to the subscriber. As such, the minimum pension depending upon the pension plan selected by the subscriber is fixed under the APY.**

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**Under National Pension System (NPS), there is no ceiling fixed for minimum pension.**

**Further, a High-Empowered Monitoring Committee has been constituted for complete evaluation and review of the EPS, 1995.**

**(c) & (d): There is no provision for Dearness Allowance in EPS, 1995, as it is a self-funded scheme with fixed contributions. Further, Dearness Allowance is not applicable under NPS and APY as the pension under both depends upon the accumulated corpus at the time of exit which is market linked.**

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1086  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2018**

**EMPLOYMENT GENERATION**

**1086. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:**

**SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:**

**SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:**

**SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:**

**SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:**

**DR. J. JAYAVARDHAN:**

**DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:**

**SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the target set and the number of people who have got jobs under the Government flagship employment generation scheme the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) till date;**
- (b) the current status of PMRPY scheme in the country along with its aims and objectives and the achievements made thereunder so far;**
- (c) the number of industries/ employers incentivized for promotion of employment generation in the country under the said Yojana since inception along with the number of beneficiaries therefrom, industry, State/UT-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has assessed the ground impact of the said Scheme and if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) whether under PMRPY the Government will pay in full the employer's contribution towards the Employees' Provident Fund and the Employees' Pension Scheme, if so, the details thereof along with the details of the funds provided by the Government and utilised by the States to implement the said Yojana since inception, State/UT-wise; and**
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to enhance/create job opportunities in the country along with the achievements thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (e): Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) was launched on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 with the objective to incentivise employers for creation of new employment. Under the scheme, Government of India is paying Employer's full contribution i.e. 12% towards EPF and EPS both (as admissible from time to time) w.e.f. 01.04.2018 for a period of three years to the new employees and to the existing beneficiaries for their remaining period of three years through EPFO. The terminal date for registration of beneficiary through establishment is 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2019. The scheme is targeted for employees earning upto Rs. 15,000 per month. This scheme has a dual benefit, where, on the one hand, the employer is incentivised for increasing the employment base of workers in the establishment, and on the other hand, a large number of workers will find jobs in such establishments. A direct benefit is that these workers will have access to social security benefits of the organized sector. Number of Employees, Establishments benefitted and amount of Subsidy disbursed as on 10.12.2018 is 9245263, 115422 and Rs. 2910.79 crore respectively. State-wise employees, establishment benefitted and amount of subsidy disbursed is at Annex-I.**

**Subsidy to the employers is disbursed on the basis of ECR (Electronic Challancum Return) filed by the employer with the EPFO electronically. Hence, the ground impact of the scheme is direct and immediate since the whole process is conducted through online transactions.**

**(f): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority concern of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) schemes run by Ministry of Rural Development and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs. Details of the employment generated through these schemes/ programmes are given at Annex-II.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1086 FOR 17-12-2018 REGARDING EMPLOYMENT GENERATION**

**Details from PMRPY Portal from inception till 10-Dec,2018**

<b>State</b>	<b>No. Of Establishment Benefited During Period 01-Apr-2016 to 10-Dec-2018</b>	<b>No. Of Employees Benefited During Period 01-Apr-2016 to 10-Dec-2018</b>	<b>Subsidy Amount Disbursed During Period 01-Apr-2016 to 10-Dec-2018 (Rs.)</b>
<b>ANDHRA PRADESH</b>	<b>8225</b>	<b>734071</b>	<b>2157640160</b>
<b>ASSAM</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>7964</b>	<b>25645807</b>
<b>BIHAR</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>99502</b>	<b>429117993</b>
<b>CHANDIGARH</b>	<b>3436</b>	<b>146594</b>	<b>486378128</b>
<b>CHHATTISGARH</b>	<b>2376</b>	<b>98305</b>	<b>321830956</b>
<b>DELHI</b>	<b>5283</b>	<b>592861</b>	<b>1897582575</b>
<b>GOA</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>12612</b>	<b>34743722</b>
<b>GUJARAT</b>	<b>11307</b>	<b>811671</b>	<b>2506677527</b>
<b>HARYANA</b>	<b>6621</b>	<b>770805</b>	<b>2363388827</b>
<b>HIMACHAL PRADESH</b>	<b>2490</b>	<b>106307</b>	<b>307179359</b>
<b>JHARKHAND</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>41505</b>	<b>114459790</b>
<b>KARNATAKA</b>	<b>7397</b>	<b>899696</b>	<b>3070282998</b>
<b>KERALA</b>	<b>3412</b>	<b>156611</b>	<b>814670268</b>
<b>MADHYA PRADESH</b>	<b>4359</b>	<b>268860</b>	<b>935641752</b>
<b>MAHARASHTRA</b>	<b>13542</b>	<b>1632312</b>	<b>4884139813</b>
<b>ODISHA</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>103326</b>	<b>319101695</b>
<b>PUNJAB</b>	<b>4594</b>	<b>154043</b>	<b>563967699</b>
<b>RAJASTHAN</b>	<b>7292</b>	<b>358502</b>	<b>922977695</b>
<b>TAMIL NADU</b>	<b>12743</b>	<b>1100429</b>	<b>3390551031</b>
<b>UTTAR PRADESH</b>	<b>12001</b>	<b>650921</b>	<b>2280515607</b>
<b>UTTARAKHAND</b>	<b>2402</b>	<b>230051</b>	<b>576517699</b>
<b>WEST BENGAL</b>	<b>3574</b>	<b>268315</b>	<b>704921141</b>
	<b>115422</b>	<b>9245263</b>	<b>29107932242</b>

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (f) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1086 FOR 17-12-2018 REGARDING EMPLOYMENT GENERATION**

**Employment generated through various schemes/ programmes**

<b>Employment Generated</b>					
<b>Schemes/Year</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
<b>Estimated employment generated under PMEGP (No.of Persons)</b>	<b>357502</b>	<b>323362</b>	<b>407840</b>	<b>387184</b>	<b>284856 (Upto 30.11.2018)</b>
<b>Persondays Generated under MGNREGS (Persondays in lakh)</b>	<b>16619</b>	<b>23513.13</b>	<b>23565.01</b>	<b>23420.50</b>	<b>16322.49 (Upto 30.11.2018)</b>
<b>Candidates placed in jobs after training (DDU-GKY) (No.of Persons)</b>	<b>54196</b>	<b>109512</b>	<b>147883</b>	<b>75787</b>	<b>95640 (Upto 03.12.2018)</b>
<b>Skill Trained Persons given Placement DAY-NULM (No. of Persons)</b>	<b>63115</b>	<b>33664</b>	<b>151901</b>	<b>115416</b>	<b>94753 (Upto 05.12.2018)</b>

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS  
(DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE)

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1549**  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2018)

**SENIOR CITIZEN ENTITLEMENT OF EMPLOYEES**

†1549. **PROF. RAVINDRA VISHWANATH GAIKWAD:**

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has worked out a plan to lower the age of senior citizen entitlement of employees to 58 years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is contemplating to increase or decrease the age for pension;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the details of salient features of pension policy?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES  
AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE  
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

(a) to (d): No Madam. Department of Social Justice & Empowerment has informed that there is at present no proposal in that Department for lowering the age of senior citizen. Government employees become entitle to pension on retirement. There is also no proposal to increase or decrease the age of retirement of Central Government Employees.

(e): The salient features of the pension entitlements of employees retiring from the Central Government are as under:

- i. A Government servant retiring in accordance with the rules, after completing a qualifying service of not less than 10 years, is entitled to a pension @ 50% of his last pay or 50% of average emoluments for the last 10 months, whichever is more beneficial to him/her.
- ii. After completion of 80 years of age or above, additional pension @ 20% to 100% is payable to the retired Government servant.
- iii. A retired/retiring Government servant is entitled to, at his/her option, a lump sum payment, by commutation of a maximum of 40% of his/her pension.
- iv. On retirement, a Government employee is entitled to a retirement gratuity based on his/her emoluments and length of qualifying service.
- v. On death of a Central Government pensioner, the family is entitled to a family pension the amount of which is 50% of the last pay for a period of seven years, or for a period up to the date on which the retired deceased Government servant would have attained the age of 67 years had he/she survived, whichever is earlier. Thereafter, the amount of family pension is 30% of his last pay. The amount of family pension is also increased by 20% to 100% after the family pensioner attains the age of 80 years and above.
- vi. The family of a Government servant, who dies while in service after having rendered not less than seven years' continuous service, is entitled to a family pension 50% of the last pay for a period of ten years. Thereafter, the amount of family pension is 30% of his/her last pay.



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MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UN STARRED QUESTION NO. 1851**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 21, 2018/AGRAHAYANA 30, 1940 (SAKA)**  
**SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEME**

1851. Shri Naranbhai Kachhadiya,  
Shri Ramdas C. Tadas,  
Shri Chandra Prakash Joshi,  
Shri Bidyut Baran Mahato

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the coverage of Pension and Social Security Scheme is very less in the country if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the efforts being made by the Government to expand the coverage under the scheme;
- (b) the number of such beneficiaries across the country as on date who have been covered under the scheme during the last five year plan and thereafter till date, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) the number of beneficiaries registered under the Atal Pension Yojana since its launch, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER**

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance  
(Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla)

(a) & (b) The Government of India introduced the Atal Pension Yojana (APY), w.e.f. 1st June, 2015, pursuant to the announcement in the budget for 2015-16 for creating a universal social security system for all Indians, especially the poor, the under-privileged and the workers in the unorganized sector. The Atal Pension Yojana scheme provides for pension to the subscriber after the age of 60 years as per the pension plan selected by him.

Within 3 years of the launch of APY Scheme, till 18th December, 2018, more than 1.35 crore subscribers have been enrolled under APY.

The steps taken by the Government to increase the number of registrations under APY inter-alia include:

- Changing the mode of payment of contribution by subscriber from only monthly to monthly, quarterly, and half yearly, keeping in consideration the seasonal income earners
- Official mobile app to access APY accounts, as well as Value Added Facilities like E-PRAN and E-SOT to access PRAN and Statement of transactions under the APY account online
- Periodic advertisements in print and electronic media in English, Hindi and regional languages, are being made.
- The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) officials conduct regular review meetings with bank officials for reviewing the progress of implementation of APY across the country.
- PFRDA is also conducting various promotional campaigns among the service providers (Banks and Post Offices) like Log-in Days, Elderly Day-Campaigns etc to popularize and create awareness about the scheme.

- Grievance Module for APY Subscribers
- Capacity building of bank branch officials through various training programs.
- Participating in town hall meetings, SLBC meetings.

As informed by the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), the number of members as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017, under the Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995, administered by EPFO, applicable to establishments covered under the EPF & MP Act, 1952, employing 20 or more employees, is 14,71,37,791. The number of pensioners under EPS, 1995 as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017, is 56,49,797.

In order to increase the coverage, the wage ceiling for becoming eligible for membership of the Employees Pension Scheme, 1995, has been revised from Rs. 6,500/- per month to Rs. 15,000/- per month w.e.f. 01.09.2014.

Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) are two social security insurance schemes launched by the Government on 9th May, 2015. PMJJBY offers a renewable one year term life cover of Rupees Two Lakh to all subscribing bank account holders in the age group of 18 to 50 years, covering death due to any reason, for a premium of Rs.330/- per annum per subscriber, to be auto debited from subscriber's bank account. Similarly, PMSBY offers a renewable one year accidental death cum disability cover to all subscribing bank account holders in the age group of 18 to 70 years for a premium of Rs.12/- per annum per subscriber to be auto debited from subscriber's bank account. The scheme provides a cover of Rs. Two Lakh for accidental death or total permanent disability and Rs One Lakh in case of permanent partial disability.

As on 31.10.2018, 5,57,73,071 people have registered under PMJJBY, and 14,27,18,926 people have registered under PMSBY.

(c) The State/UT wise data of subscribers enrolled under APY is placed at **Annexure 1**.

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## ANNEXURE 1

### The State/UT-wise enrolment under APY up to 18.12.2018

Sr. No	Name of State	Count of PRANs
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	4,465
2	Andhra Pradesh	8,80,203
3	Arunachal Pradesh	9,281
4	Assam	2,51,978
5	Bihar	13,26,408
6	Chandigarh	19,677
7	Chhattisgarh	2,17,312
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	15,654
9	Daman & Diu	27,369
10	Delhi	2,36,188

11	Goa	45,066
12	Gujarat	6,41,286
13	Haryana	2,82,556
14	Himachal Pradesh	90,232
15	Jammu & Kashmir	50,268
16	Jharkhand	2,91,581
17	Karnataka	9,50,718
18	Kerala	3,01,999
19	Lakshwadeep	4,503
20	Madhya Pradesh	6,70,999
21	Maharashtra	10,47,306
22	Manipur	16,118
23	Meghalaya	24,474
24	Mizoram	17,349
25	Nagaland	49,804
26	Orissa	4,43,705
27	Pondicherry	29,855
28	Punjab	4,14,364
29	Rajasthan	6,29,861
30	Sikkim	49,857
31	Tamil Nadu	11,38,480
32	Telangana	3,78,653
33	Tripura	39,693
34	Uttar Pradesh	19,69,552
35	Uttaranchal	1,14,992
36	West Bengal	8,29,712
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,35,11,518</b>

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2088. श्री जी. एम. सिद्धेश्वरा:

क्या श्रम और रोजगार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

- (क) क्या विदेश में कार्य करने वाले भारतीय अब स्वयं को अपने मेजबान देश की सामाजिक सुरक्षा योजना से मुक्त कर सकते हैं एवं सेवानिवृत्ति निधि निकाय कर्मचारी भविष्य निधि संगठन (ईपीएफओ) में कवर हो सकते हैं;
- (ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;
- (ग) क्या उक्त लाभ को उठाने के लिए एक ऑनलाइन सेवा कार्यशील की गई है और यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;
- (घ) क्या ईपीएफओ ने इस संबंध में 18 देशों के साथ कोई समझौता किया है; और
- (ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

उत्तर

श्रम और रोजगार राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

(श्री संतोष कुमार गंगवार)

(क) और (ख): जी, हां। यह सुविधा उन भारतीय कामगारों के लिए उपलब्ध है जो अपने नियोक्ता द्वारा उन देशों में प्रतिनियुक्ति पर हैं जिसके साथ भारत ने सामाजिक सुरक्षा समझौता (एसएसए) किया है तथा वे कर्मचारी भविष्य निधि संगठन (ईपीएफओ) से कवरेज (बीमा छत्र) का प्रमाण पत्र (सीओसी) ले सकते हैं।

(ग): कवरेज (बीमा छत्र) का प्रमाण पत्र प्राप्त करने की एक ऑनलाइन सुविधा ईपीएफओ द्वारा शुरू की गई है।

(घ) एवं (ङ): भारत ने निम्नलिखित 18 देशों के साथ सामाजिक सुरक्षा समझौता (एसएसए) किया है:-

- (i) ऑस्ट्रेलिया (ii) ऑस्ट्रिया (iii) बेलजियम (iv) कनाडा (v) जेक रिपब्लिक (vi) डेनमार्क (vii) फिनलैंड (viii) फ्रांस (ix) जर्मनी (x) हंगरी (xi) जापान (xii) कोरिया गणतंत्र (दक्षिण कोरिया) (xiii) लक्जमबर्ग (xiv) नीदरलैंड (xv) नॉर्वे (xvi) पुर्तगाल (xvii) स्वीडन और (xviii) स्विट्जरलैंड ।

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2145  
ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2017  
[SHRAVANA 06, 1939 (SAKA)]**

**UNREGISTERED COMPANIES**

**QUESTION**

**2145. SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:**

**Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS  
be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of unregistered companies are operating in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the number of companies operating in the country without getting themselves registered with the Registrar of Companies (RoCs) and the details of action taken by the Government against such companies during the last three years?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE (SHRI ARJUN RAM MEGHWAL)  
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS**

**(a) & (b): During the last three years, the following unregistered companies have come to the notice of this Ministry against whom the action has been taken as under:**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of unregistered companies</b>	<b>Jurisdictional Registrar of Companies</b>	<b>Action against unregistered companies</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Krishi Vipran Vikas Ltd.</b>	<b>Kanpur</b>	<b>Prosecution u/s 453 of the Companies Act, 2013 has been launched.</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Bhagya Laxmi Financial Private Limited</b>	<b>Delhi</b>	<b>The Reserve Bank of India has intimated that it has taken up the matter with the then Department of Electronic and Information Technology (DEITY) (now a Ministry) to close the website.</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Natraj Finance</b>	<b>Delhi</b>	<b>An FIR has been filed on 22.03.2017 by the Registrar of Companies, Delhi.</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Webtern India Pvt. Ltd.</b>	<b>Pune</b>	<b>Prosecution u/s 453 of the Companies Act, 2013 has been launched on 12.05.2017 vide Case No.14969/2017.</b>

<b>5.</b>	<b>Tanishka Infotech Pvt. Ltd.</b>	<b>Pune</b>	<b>The case has been referred to the State Economic Offence Wing (EOW) on 06.10.2016.</b>
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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2184  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2018**

**PENSION SCHEME FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTH**

**2184. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:  
SHRIMATI RANJEET RANJAN:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to launch a monthly pension scheme for unemployed youth in view of the problems of rising unemployment across the country and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the Government has details of State-wise number of unemployed youth in the country; and**
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the details of the unemployed youth who are at least matric pass, State/UT-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a): There is no proposal to launch a monthly pension scheme for unemployed youth as on date.**

**(b) & (c): As per the results of available labour force surveys on Employment-Unemployment conducted by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, State/UT-wise percentage of estimated unemployed youth and educated unemployed youth aged 18-29 years on usual principal status approach in 2015-16 in the country is given at Annexure-I.**

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (b & c) of the Lok Sabha unstarred Question No. 2184 due for reply on 24-12-2018

State-wise details of unemployed youth aged 18-29 years according to Usual Principal Status Approach in 2015-16

Sl. No.	State/ UTs	Unemployment rate (in %)	Distribution of Unemployed persons by educational classification (in %)	
			Middle/Secondary/ Higher Secondary	Graduate and above
1	Andhra Pradesh	11.3	2.6	24.1
2	Arunachal Pradesh	34.7	10.3	28.7
3	Assam	16.4	5.3	25.3
4	Bihar	15.5	5.5	27.5
5	Chhattisgarh	5.0	1.5	17.4
6	Delhi	8.9	1.6	5.0
7	Goa	23.0	11.6	14.0
8	Gujarat	2.6	0.6	3.5
9	Haryana	12.7	2.8	12.0
10	Himachal Pradesh	31.3	6.8	34.9
11	Jammu & Kashmir	24.6	3.2	17.2
12	Jharkhand	22.4	6.1	37.1
13	Karnataka	4.3	1.1	7.1
14	Kerala	29.5	6.7	30.2
15	Madhya Pradesh	8.7	2.1	7.9
16	Maharashtra	7.3	1.5	9.4
17	Manipur	16.9	2.6	32.9
18	Meghalaya	9.2	4.8	30.9
19	Mizoram	7.2	1.7	32.1
20	Nagaland	24.2	3.8	37.8
21	Orissa	14.6	4.9	22.8
22	Punjab	17.1	4.2	17.5
23	Rajasthan	15.0	2.7	21.0
24	Sikkim	54.1	15.2	73.3
25	Tamil Nadu	14.0	2.9	16.7
26	Telangana	8.1	1.5	10.7
27	Tripura	35.0	17.4	49.2
28	Uttarakhand	20.4	3.0	20.9
29	Uttar Pradesh	18.4	3.8	23.7
30	West Bengal	12.1	3.9	26.2
31	A. & N. Islands	28.0	10.6	35.1
32	Chandigarh	14.3	3.7	5.4
33	D. & N. Haveli	6.9	0.8	14.9
34	Daman And Diu	0.7	-	2.1
35	Lakshadweep	25.3	7.5	13.7
36	Puducherry	18.7	6.4	15.3
	All-India	13.2	3.3	18.4

Source: E&U Survey of Labour Bureau.



**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2243  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.12.2018**

**RECRUITMENT OF SKILLED AND UNSKILLED LABOURERS**

**2243. ADV. SHARADKUMAR MARUTI BANSODE:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any arrangements have been made for the recruitment of Skilled and Unskilled Labour during the last one year;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Ministry has any future plans for appointing and filling of vacant posts in various departments; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b): All recruitments in the Ministry of Labour & Employment are made through the recruitment agencies, i.e., Staff Selection Commission, Union Public Service Commission. Officers of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS), Central Secretariat Stenographer Service (CSSS), Indian Economic Service (IES), Indian Statistical Service (ISS), etc. are posted in this Ministry by the respective Cadre Controlling Authorities. Apart from this, the Ministry has engaged a few Stenographers, Drivers, Data Entry Operators and Multi-Tasking Staff through outsourcing as per the provisions of General Financial Rules (GFRs).**

**(c) & (d): Ministry of Labour & Employment has no Department under it.**

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2256**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2018**

**FUNDS RELEASED FOR LABOUR RELATED SCHEMES**

**2256. DR. RAMESH POKHRIYAL “NISHANK”:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the total amount released for Uttarakhand during the last five years under various centrally-sponsored schemes for the labour, year/ scheme-wise;**
- (b) the number of labourers benefitted therefrom during the said period, year-wise and scheme-wise;**
- (c) whether the Government has received proposals from the State Governments seeking the financial assistance for various schemes/ programmes being implemented for the welfare of labourers; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon, State/ UT-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT**  
**(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (d): The Ministry is implementing four Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely Employment Promotion Scheme (National Career Service Centre for Differently Abled), Coaching and Guidance for SC, ST and Other Backward Classes (National Career Service Centre for SCs and STs), Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) and National Career Service(NCS). Out of these four schemes, the funds are released to States under NCS only. Details of the funds released for Uttarakhand during last five years are as under:**

**(Rs. in lakhs)**

<b>S No.</b>	<b>Scheme Name</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>National Career Service Project</b>	<b>29.78</b>	<b>111.86</b>	<b>16.58</b>	<b>29.58</b>

**The number of people benefitted through these schemes (All-India) during the said period are as under:**

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Year</b>					<b>Total</b>
	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19 (upto Nov, 2018)</b>	
<b>PMRPY</b>	-	-	<b>33031</b>	<b>3027612</b>	<b>6397482</b>	<b>9458125</b>
<b>Employment Promotion Scheme</b>	<b>12552</b>	<b>12098</b>	<b>11787</b>	<b>11759</b>	<b>7696</b>	<b>55892</b>
<b>Coaching and Guidance for SC, ST and Other Backward Classes</b>	<b>4800</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>2200</b>	<b>16000</b>

**Proposals have been received from States under the National Career Service Project only for establishing Model Career Centres (MCC) and interlinking of Employment Exchanges. These proposals have been examined as per scheme guidelines and financial assistance has also been provided to eligible proposals. The details of funds released to the States /UTs are annexed.**

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**Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question no. 2256 by Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal “Nishank” regarding “Funds Released for Labour Related Schemes” due for reply on 24.12.2018.**

**Statement of details of funds released State/UT-wise till date under National Career Service Project.**

(Rs. in Lakh)

S. No	State/ UT	Funds released for establishment of Model Career Centres	Funds released for Inter-linking of Employment Exchanges
1	Andaman & Nicobar	26.92	-
2	Andhra Pradesh	132.28	152.00
3	Arunachal Pradesh	21.18	-
4	Assam	144.27	464.00
5	Bihar	76.79	645.00
6	Chandigarh	-	-
7	Chhattisgarh	96.59	416.00
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	-	-
9	Daman and Diu	-	7.04
10	Delhi	52.12	-
11	Goa	8.25	-
12	Gujarat	133.1	406.00
13	Haryana	47.58	267.87
14	Himachal Pradesh	35.06	80.87
15	Jammu & Kashmir	71.85	200.00
16	Jharkhand	37.48	274.00
17	Karnataka	118.55	336.00
18	Kerala	55.74	-
19	Lakshadweep	10.65	-
20	Madhya Pradesh	301.66	602.00
21	Maharashtra	103.82	-
22	Manipur	32.77	-
23	Meghalaya	56.09	-
24	Mizoram	-	29.92
25	Nagaland	22.42	95.00
26	Odisha	156.74	291.00
27	Puducherry	31.36	16.21
28	Punjab	49.14	84.00
29	Rajasthan	26.79	272.00
30	Sikkim	62.1	-
31	Tamil Nadu	76.07	560.00
32	Telangana	80.03	222.00
33	Tripura	68.32	39.00
34	Uttar Pradesh	243.3	629.37
35	Uttarakhand	75.8	112.00
36	West Bengal	192.58	140.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2647.40</b>	<b>6341.28</b>

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2262  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.12.2018**

**SEEDING OF UNIVERSAL ACCOUNT NUMBERS**

**2262. SHRI S. RAJENDRAN:  
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI ASHOK SHANKARRAO CHAVAN:  
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:  
SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN:  
KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of members of Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) in the country;**
- (b) whether KYCs of more than 50 per cent of the EPF Members have not been seeded with their Universal Account Numbers (UANs) so far;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the same;**
- (d) whether the Government has directed all establishments covered under EPFO to get 100 per cent KYC seeded with UANs of the PF members;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the response thereto; and**
- (f) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide speedy, convenient and dependable services by EPFO to their members?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

- (a): The number of member accounts of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) in the country is at Annex.**
- (b) & (c): Till date, 14.41 crore Universal Account Number (UAN) have been allotted and 5.5 crore UAN have been seeded with Aadhaar so that members can be provided efficient online services. Many of the members' accounts are dormant accounts where the account holder has not either contacted or could be approached.**

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**(d) & (e): Yes, Madam. EPFO has circulated letters dated 22.06.2015 and 29.11.2018 for Know Your Customer (KYC) seeding with UANs.**

**(f): To provide speedy, convenient and dependable services by EPFO to their members many steps are taken. Some of the important steps are providing Online facility of claims, pass book viewing facility, SMS facility, online complaints facility and removing certification from the employer and introducing self-certification for part withdrawal.**

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**Annex**

Annex referred to in reply to Part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2262 for 24.12.2018 raised by Shri S. Rajendran, Shri Sudheer Gupta, Shri Ashok Shankarrao Chavan, Shri S. R. Vijayakumar, Shri T. Radhakrishnan and Kunwar Haribansh Singh regarding "Seeding of Universal Account Numbers".

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>STATE/UT</b>	<b>Members Account (2016-17)</b>
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	34933
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	3755279
3	ASSAM INCLUDING ARUNACHAL PRADESH, MANIPUR, MIZORAM, NAGALAND, TRIPURA & MEGHALAYA.	945193
4	BIHAR	1235709
5	PUNJAB INCLUDING CHANDIGARH	6211673
6	CHHATTISGARH	1547123
7	GUJARAT INCLUDING DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI & DAMAN & DIU.	15260059
8	DELHI	15546706
9	GOA	1316705
10	HARYANA	14041586
11	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1362504
12	JHARKHAND	1997937
13	KARNATAKA	22497385
14	KERALA	2973688
15	MADHYA PRADESH	4403751
16	MAHARASHTRA	38417086
17	ODISHA	2925452
18	RAJASTHAN	4923490
19	TAMIL NADU INCLUDING PUDUCHERRY	23653089
20	TELANGANA	10692231
21	UTTAR PRADESH	8349214
22	UTTRAKHAND	2714784
23	WEST BENGAL	8586283
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>193391860</b>

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2264  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.12.2018**

**ATAL BIMIT VYAKTI KALYAN YOJANA**

**2264. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:  
SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has launched Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana for Insured Persons (IPs) covered under the Employees State Insurance Act, 1948 recently;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including objectives, eligibility conditions and the number of Insured Persons likely to be benefited therefrom;**
- (c) whether ESIC has approved the proposal for relaxing the eligibility conditions for availing super speciality treatment for dependents of IPs also and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the number of workers linked with ESIC benefits and brought in the fold of EPFO during the last two years; and**
- (e) the steps taken to enhance the working conditions, safety and social security in order to improve the standard of living of Organised and Unorganised sectors in the country?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a): Yes, Madam.**

**(b): The ESI Corporation has launched a scheme named Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana for the insured person who are rendered unemployed, provide relief to the extent of 25% of the average per day earning (total earning during the four contribution period/730) during the previous four contribution periods to be paid up to maximum 90 days of unemployment once in lifetime of the IP on submission of**

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**claim in form of an Affidavit. The Scheme be treated effective from 01-07-2018 and shall become due for payment after 90 days. The scheme is implemented on pilot basis for a period of two years initially. The eligibility conditions and other features of the scheme are as under:-**

- **The Insured Person should have been rendered unemployed during the period the relief is claimed.**
- **The Insured Person should have been in insurable employment for a minimum period of two years.**
- **The Insured Person should have contributed not less than 78 days during each of the preceding four contribution periods.**
- **The contribution in respect of him should have been paid or payable by the employer.**
- **The contingency of the unemployment should not have been as a result of any punishment for misconduct or superannuation or voluntary retirement.**
- **Aadhar and Bank Account of the Insured Person should be linked with insured person data base.**
- **In case the IP is working for more than one employers and is covered under the ESI scheme he will be considered unemployed only in case he is rendered unemployed with all employers.**
- **As specified in Section 65 of the Act, an IP shall not be entitled to any other cash compensation and the Relief under ABVKY simultaneously for the same period. However, periodical payments of PDB under ESI Act and Regulations shall continue.**
- **As specified under Section 61 of the ESI Act, an IP who is in receipt of Relief under ABVKY shall not be entitled to receive any similar benefit admissible under the provisions of any other enactment.**
- **The IP will be eligible for Medical benefit as provided under the act for the period he is availing this relief.**
- **The claim for Relief under ABVKY may be submitted by the claimant any time after rendering unemployed, but not later than**

- **one year from the date of unemployment to the appropriate Branch Office in form of affidavit in prescribed Form (AB-1). No prospective claim i.e. claims for relief under ABVKY for any future period will be allowed.**
- **The IP will submit his claim online through the ESIC Portal. A link for generating claim for Atal Bimit Kalyan Yojana will be given on the ESIC Portal.**

**The Relief under ABVKY shall be paid/ payable by Branch Office to IPs directly in their bank account only.**

**(c): Yes, ESI Corporation in its 175<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 18.09.2018, have approved a proposal for relaxing the eligibility condition for availing super speciality treatment for dependent of Insured Persons also, details of which are as under:-**

**1.The members of the family of the IP be allowed super specialty treatment if the IP has contributed 156 days (78 days in each contribution period) and have completed minimum one year of insurable employment from the date of registration.**

**2.The employer should have filed the monthly contribution as per section 44 read with regulation 26(a) failing which Regulation 31 of the ESI (General) Regulation, 1950.**

**3.IP and their family members shall continue to avail the super specialty if the IP is in receipt of extended sickness benefit.**

**(d): No such data is available with EPFO or ESIC.**

**(e): ESI Act is applicable on factories & establishments located in the implemented area, employing 10 or more employees and as such it does not apply to the unorganized sector. ESI Scheme is at present implemented in 528 districts and in 179 districts, the scheme is partially implemented in centers. Vision- 2022 has been prepared which intends to extend the ESI Scheme to the entire country by 2022. It shall ensure availability of the social security benefits under ESI Scheme, uniformly across the country.**

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF FINANCE  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

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**LOK SABHA**  
**UN STARRED QUESTION NO. 2949**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 28, 2018/PAUSHA 7, 1940 (SAKA)**  
**PENSION SCHEMES**

2949. Shri Sher Singh Ghubaya,  
Dr. Ravindra Kumar Ray,  
Shri Naranbhai Kachhadiya,  
Shri Chandra Prakash Joshi,  
Shri Sumedhanand Sarswati,  
Shri Ramdas C. Tadas,  
Shri Bidyut Baran Mahato

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) The types and details of pension schemes being implemented by the Government at present;
- (b) Whether any new pension scheme has been introduced by the Government during the last four years and if so, the details and the salient features thereof;
- (c) Whether the National Pension System (NPS) has been simplified and if so, the details thereof;  
and
- (d) The percentage of persons covered/ subscribed under pension scheme at present in the country, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER**

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance  
(Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla)

(a) and (b) The Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance is implementing two pension schemes, namely the National Pension System (NPS) and the Atal Pension Yojana (APY). The Government of India vide notification dated 22.12.2003 had introduced the National Pension System (NPS) (earlier known as New Pension Scheme) for its employees and made it mandatory for all new recruits of the Central Government (excluding armed forces) who joined service on or after 01.01.2004. Further, State Governments are empowered under Section 12(4) of the PFRDA Act, 2013, to notify NPS for their employees. NPS being a contributory pension scheme, in the Tier-I account, a monthly contribution @ 10 percent of basic salary plus dearness allowance is required to be paid by the employee and a matching contribution by the Government. The Tier II account is a voluntary account on the part of the employee which is linked to the active Tier I account.

The Atal Pension Yojana (APY) was launched in May, 2015. Indian Citizens between the age group of 18 to 40 years are eligible to join APY through their savings bank account or post office savings bank account. Depending upon the pension plan selected, each subscriber under APY shall receive a guaranteed minimum pension of Rs. 1000 per month or Rs. 2000 per month or Rs. 3000 per month or Rs. 4000 per month or Rs. 5000 per month, after the age of 60 years until his/her death.

The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has informed that EPFO is implementing Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 (EPS, 1995). Further, it is also informed that EPFO has not introduced any new pension scheme during the last four years.

The Department of Pensions and Pensioners' Welfare has informed that it administers the pension scheme for the Central civil Government servants retiring in accordance with the provisions of CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. After completing a qualifying service of not less than 10 years, an employee is entitled to a pension @50% of his last pay or 50% of average emoluments for the last 10 months, whichever is more beneficial to him/her.

(c) The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA), administering NPS, has simplified exit and withdrawal norms under NPS, vide PFRDA (Exit and withdrawals under NPS) Regulations, 2015. Keeping in view the possibility of sudden financial needs of the subscribers, the requirement of minimum period under National Pension System (NPS) for availing the facility of partial withdrawal from the mandatory Tier-I account of the subscriber has been reduced from 10 years to 3 years from the date of joining w.e.f. 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2017. The minimum gap of 5 years between two partial withdrawals has also been removed w.e.f. 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2017. A subscriber is eligible for three partial withdrawals during the period of subscription under NPS, each withdrawal not exceeding twenty-five percent of the contributions made by the subscriber and excluding contributions made by the employer. There is, however, no restriction on withdrawals from the Tier-II account of the subscriber.

(d) The number of subscribers covered under NPS, State/UT wise, as on 30.11.2018 is provided at **Annexure I**. The number of subscribers covered under APY, State/UT wise, as on 22.12.2018 is provided at **Annexure II**. The number of employees subscribing to EPS, 1995, as on 01.03.2018, State/UT wise, is provided at **Annexure III**.

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**The number of subscribers covered under NPS, State/UT wise, as on 30.11.2018**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Total Number of Subscribers</b>
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	12644
2	Andhra Pradesh	829337
3	Arunachal Pradesh	27379
4	Assam	428986
5	Bihar	537274
6	Chandigarh	31644
7	Chhattisgarh	532023
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	1995
9	Daman & Diu	1656
10	Defence*	22136
11	Delhi	311774
12	Goa	47629
13	Gujarat	569689
14	Haryana	337498
15	Himachal Pradesh	124498
16	Jammu & Kashmir	195702
17	Jharkhand	298344
18	Karnataka	1179258
19	Kerala	544611
20	Lakshwadeep	2074
21	Madhya Pradesh	769664
22	Maharashtra	1065386
23	Manipur	56411
24	Meghalaya	22623
25	Mizoram	10589
26	Nagaland	35871
27	NRI**	3340
28	Orissa	353951
29	Pondicherry	20439
30	Punjab	271728
31	Rajasthan	712793
32	Sikkim	18482
33	Tamil Nadu	561747
34	Telangana	92482
35	Tripura	47320
36	Uttar Pradesh	1175011
37	Uttaranchal	144506
38	West Bengal	504379
	<b>Total</b>	<b>11902873</b>

Defence\* - Subscribers of Govt Sector are mainly from Paramilitary forces who have given address like 88, APO. 56, APO etc

NRI\*\* - Subscribers have provided foreign address

**The number of subscribers covered under APY, State/UT wise, as on 22.12.2018**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>Count of PRANs</b>
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	4,478
2	Andhra Pradesh	8,85,412
3	Arunachal Pradesh	9,311
4	Assam	2,53,914
5	Bihar	13,35,211
6	Chandigarh	19,774
7	Chhattisgarh	2,18,078
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	15,880
9	Daman & Diu	27,586
10	Delhi	2,37,564
11	Goa	45,452
12	Gujarat	6,44,648
13	Haryana	2,84,405
14	Himachal Pradesh	90,577
15	Jammu & Kashmir	50,529
16	Jharkhand	2,92,976
17	Karnataka	9,55,083
18	Kerala	3,03,402
19	Lakshwadeep	4,512
20	Madhya Pradesh	6,73,887
21	Maharashtra	10,55,596
22	Manipur	16,245
23	Meghalaya	26,060
24	Mizoram	17,564
25	Nagaland	50,350
26	Orissa	4,45,788
27	Pondicherry	30,238
28	Punjab	4,16,245
29	Rajasthan	6,31,685
30	Sikkim	50,450
31	Tamil Nadu	11,44,028
32	Telangana	3,82,464
33	Tripura	40,330
34	Uttar Pradesh	19,84,083
35	Uttaranchal	1,15,654
36	West Bengal	8,41,045
<b>Total</b>		<b>136,00,504</b>

**The number of subscribers covered under EPS, 1995, State/UT wise, as on 01.03.2018**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of State</b>	<b>The number of employees enrolled</b>
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	9928
2	Andhra Pradesh	955073
3	Assam	271709
4	Bihar	324582
5	Chandigarh	362662
6	Chhattisgarh	368575
7	Delhi	2403857
8	Goa	169712
9	Gujarat	2729742
10	Haryana	2061353
11	Himachal Pradesh	281111
12	Jharkhand	411698
13	Karnataka	4718860
14	Kerala	968118
15	Madhya Pradesh	932616
16	Maharashtra	8074067
17	Orissa	651682
18	Punjab	615150
19	Rajasthan	94430
20	Tamil Nadu	4571867
21	Telangana	2418466
22	Tripura	29833
23	Uttar Pradesh	1785647
24	Uttarakhand	481445
25	West Bengal	2434253
<b>Total</b>		<b>3,89,76,313</b>

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3013  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018**

**SOCIAL SECURITY TO CONTRACT LABOURERS**

**3013. SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA: SHRI B.V. NAIK:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry has taken any steps or is considering any draft to provide social security to contract workers/labourers and unemployed people across the country so that their sense of insecurity could be mitigated;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the progress made in this regard;**
- (c) whether the Ministry proposes to provide facilities to contract workers/labourers by bringing them under the International Convention of Social, Economic and Cultural Rights, 1996;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be done and if not, the reasons therefor; and**
- (e) whether the Ministry has any data regarding the number of contract workers/labourers in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b): In order to provide social security benefits to contract workers/labourers and to regulate employment of contract labour, the Central Government is implementing the Contract Labour (Regulation and**

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**Abolition) Act, 1970. The Act applies to every establishment in which 20 or more workmen are employed. These workers avail social security and other benefits under the Employees' Compensation Act (1923), the Employees' State Insurance Act (1948), the Industrial Dispute Act (1947), the Minimum Wages Act (1948), the Provident Funds Act (1925), the Employees Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act (1952), the Maternity Benefit Act (1961), the Payment of Gratuity Act (1972), etc. as per their eligibility. Moreover, improvement/amendment in various labour laws is a continuous process based on changing needs and demands of stakeholders and exhaustive tripartite consultations.**

**As regards to unemployed people in the country, the Government runs various employment generation schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) implemented by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development, and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) implemented by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs.**

**Further, the schemes of Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) and Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana promote employment generation. Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) provides collateral free loans by Banks, Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) and Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) to small/micro business enterprises in the non-agricultural sector to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities.**

**Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana has been initiated by the Ministry of Labour and Employment in the year 2016-17 for incentivizing employers for promoting employment generation. Under this scheme, Government is paying the entire employer's contribution (12 % or**

**as admissible) towards the EPS and EPF for all sectors w.e.f. 01.04.2018 to all eligible new employees and is applicable for all sectors for the next 3 years.**

**In order to improve the employability of youth, around 22 Ministries/Departments run skill development schemes across various sectors.**

**The Government is implementing the National Career Service (NCS) Project which comprises of a digital portal that provides a nation-wide online platform for jobseekers and employers for job matching in a dynamic, efficient and responsive manner and has a repository of career content.**

**(c) & (d): Since 1979, India is a party to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR), 1966.**

**(e): The total number of contract labour employed in establishments in the Central Sphere during the last three years is as under:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Contract Labour</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>964001</b>
<b>2017</b>	<b>1110603</b>
<b>2018</b>	<b>1178878</b>

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3029  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018**

**UNCLAIMED FUNDS IN EPFO**

**3029. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether a huge amount belonging to the poor labourers of the country was lying unclaimed in the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) as on year 2014;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government has taken necessary and appropriate steps to make available the aforesaid unclaimed funds to the rightful beneficiaries during the last four years; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the amount of funds disbursed to/made available to the rightful beneficiaries so far and the time by which the remaining amount is likely to be provided?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (d): There is no unclaimed amount in Employees' Provident Fund (EPF). However, as per para 72 (6) of the Employees' Provident Funds Scheme, 1952, certain accounts are classified as Inoperative Accounts. All such Inoperative Accounts, however, have definite claimants.**

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3125  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018**

**SOCIAL SECURITY TO WORKERS IN UNORGANISED SECTOR**

**3125. SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:**

**SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:**

**SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government to provide social security to workers employed in Unorganized Sector along with the number of their beneficiaries across the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UTwise and scheme-wise;**
- (b) the details of the funds provided by the Government under the said schemes/ programmes during the said period along with its utilisation, scheme/programmewise;**
- (c) whether the cases of irregularities/ corruption in implementation of the said schemes/programmes have come to the notice of the Government during the said period;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and Scheme/Programme-wise and the reasons therefor along with the action taken/ being taken by the Government in such cases so far; and**
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for effective implementation of the said schemes/ programmes across the country?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (e): 'Government of India has enacted 'Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act, 2008' for the welfare of unorganised workers. The Act provides for formulation of suitable welfare schemes for unorganised workers on matters relating to:**

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- (a) Life and Disability Cover;**
- (b) Health and Maternity Benefits;**
- (c) Old Age Protection and;**
- (d) Any other benefit**

**The details of beneficiaries in unorganised Sector is not centrally maintained. Available details of the amount spent under various schemes are at annexure.**

**The Ministry of Labour & Employment is implementing the converged PMJJBY/PMSBY scheme to provide life and disability coverage to the Unorganised Workers. So far, no irregularities have been found in this regard.**

**It has been constant endeavour of the Central Government to extend coverage of the social security schemes to all the unorganised workers as per their eligibility. This Ministry has been pursuing with State Governments to achieve greater coverage. The Central Government has also constituted the National Social Security Board at Central level to recommend suitable welfare schemes for different sections of unorganised workers and also to monitor the implementation of schemes and advise the Central Government on matters arising out of the administration of the Act. Similarly State Governments/UT Administrations are required to constitute their State/UT Social Security Board to carry out the provisions of the Act.**

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**Annexure**

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Unstarred Question No. 3125 for on 31.12.2018

**(1) Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS) and National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS): -**

<b>Total expenditure of funds under IGNOAPS and NFBS (in lakhs)</b>				
	<b>Release</b>		<b>Expenditure Reported</b>	
	IGNOAPS	NFBS	IGNOAPS	NFBS
<b>2014-15</b>	418098.05	55781.27	686100.53	37780.44
<b>2015-16</b>	556269.07	63941.89	554623.63	47343.61
<b>2016-17*</b>	148044.42	18577.10	24459.79	2773.50
* provisional				

**(2) State-wise expenditure incurred under the components of Financial support to artisans in indigent circumstances (Pension to mastercrafts Artisans) during the last four years:**

<b>Artisans in Indigent Circumstances/ Artisans Pension</b>				
<b>State</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>
	Amount Sanctioned/ Utilized	Amount Sanctioned/ Utilized	Amount Sanctioned/ Utilized	Amount Sanctioned/ Utilized
Andhra Pradesh	0	<b>108066</b>	<b>116949</b>	<b>126000</b>
Andman & Nikobar	0	50433	<b>38983</b>	<b>0</b>
Arunachal Pradesh	23000	29033	<b>67900</b>	<b>84000</b>
Assam	206533	261297	<b>180000</b>	<b>245000</b>
Bihar	0	1225826	<b>0</b>	<b>1424921</b>
Chandigarh	0	0	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Chhatisgarh	0	52033	<b>38983</b>	<b>42000</b>
Delhi	0	190035	<b>155932</b>	<b>199160</b>
Goa	0	0	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Gujarat	0	254098	<b>194915</b>	<b>210000</b>
Haryana	0	63033	<b>0</b>	<b>31160</b>

Himachal Pradesh	0	108066	<b>77966</b>	<b>134580</b>
Jammu & Kashmir	0	267746	<b>116949</b>	<b>225580</b>
Jharkhand	0	54033	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Karnataka	0	486297	<b>388730</b>	<b>451160</b>
Kerala	0	996530	<b>697594</b>	<b>535160</b>
Madhya Pradesh	0	52033	<b>38983</b>	<b>42000</b>
Maharashtra	0	352134	<b>316764</b>	<b>294000</b>
Manipur	923599	1301000	<b>1615900</b>	<b>1925000</b>
Meghalaya	0	0	<b>0</b>	<b>46740</b>
Mizoram	0	0	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Nagaland	276000	348396	<b>432000</b>	<b>420000</b>
Orissa	0	624138	<b>0</b>	<b>330463</b>
Pondicherry	0	54033	<b>38983</b>	<b>0</b>
Punjab	0	405587	<b>233898</b>	<b>245000</b>
Rajasthan	0	540330	<b>377530</b>	<b>378000</b>
Sikkim	23000	29033	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Tamil Nadu	0	244068	<b>229798</b>	<b>322900</b>
Telangana	0	<b>352134</b>	<b>155932</b>	<b>168000</b>
Tripura	35000	29033	<b>36000</b>	<b>73160</b>
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>476097</b>	<b>324000</b>	<b>1047740</b>
Uttarakhand	0	54033	<b>36000</b>	<b>42000</b>
West Bengal	0	2594071	<b>0</b>	<b>2053564</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1487132</b>	<b>11602646</b>	<b>5910689</b>	<b>11097288</b>

### 3. Handloom Weavers' Comprehensive Welfare Scheme

(Rs. In crores)

Year	Health Insurance Scheme	Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana (MGBBY)
	(HIS) Fund released	Fund released
2014-15	25.87	16.39
2015-16	01.94	16.67
2016-17	8.57	12.03

#### (4) Funds released under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) during the last four year and the current year is as follows:

Release made Under RSBY (Amounts in crores) (Till July 2018)							
Sr. No.	Name of State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	TOTAL
1	Assam	1.06	23.24	54.72	0.00	0.00	79.02
2	Bihar	34.07	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.07
3	Chhattisgarh	58.81	88.77	114.09	171.38	0.00	433.05
4	Gujarat	18.47	74.24	22.34	15.07	23.52	130.12
5	Haryana	5.38	4.67	0.60	0.00	0.00	10.65
6	Himachal Pradesh	3.75	13.90	12.30	6.15	0.00	36.11
7	Jharkhand	5.51	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.51
8	Karnataka	-	94.99	45.89	7.39	21.93	148.27
9	Kerala	110.43	112.37	73.29	77.53	0.00	373.62
10	Madhya Pradesh	8.21	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.21
11	Manipur	1.73	1.17	2.20	0.00	0.00	5.10
12	Meghalaya	1.25	4.10	4.10	0.00	11.08	20.53
13	Mizoram	10.35	9.43	14.13	12.96	0.00	46.87
14	Nagaland	4.66	-	0.00	4.87	0.00	9.53
15	Odisha	93.64	59.55	31.70	55.75	0.00	240.64
16	Puducherry	-	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.17
17	Punjab	2.59	2.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.39
18	Rajasthan	32.10	53.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	85.67
19	Tripura	14.29	15.64	10.83	0.04	0.00	40.80
20	Uttar Pradesh	36.47	11.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.38
21	Uttarakhand	-	10.20	0.00	9.15	0.00	19.34



22	West Bengal	101.65	93.38	50.47	95.01	0.00	340.51
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>544.42</b>	<b>675.10</b>	<b>436.66</b>	<b>455.30</b>	<b>56.53</b>	2111.48

(5) The expenditure incurred in respect of earlier Aam Admi Bima Yojana, now converged Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY), during previous years is as follows:

Year	Expenditure (Rupees in Cr.)
2013-14	303.82
2014-15	438.57
2015-16	436.58
2016-17	385.34
2017-18	435.16

(6) **Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY)**

**Statement showing State-wise SPIP Approvals & Expenditure for the component JSY under NHM for the F.Ys. 2014-15 to 2016-17**

**Rs. In Lakhs**

S.No	State	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17*	
		SPIP Approvals	Expenditure	SPIP Approvals	Expenditure	SPIP Approvals	Expenditure
<b>A. High Focus States</b>							
1	Bihar	38714.80	29690.03	31298.31	29552.74	34339.76	12286.07
2	Chattisgarh	6006.53	5294.70	6094.13	6190.44	6914.00	3890.94
3	Himachal Pradesh	226.84	128.36	309.69	297.98	266.49	367.07
4	Jammu & Kashmir	2812.44	2167.13	3087.64	2249.78	2431.52	1450.37
5	Jharkhand	8641.13	6239.85	9471.54	6599.19	7143.20	4415.89
6	Madhya Pradesh	18979.77	17155.15	18565.50	18194.31	19240.00	12874.73
7	Orissa	9827.84	9782.53	10219.04	9513.52	9546.32	6358.18

8	Rajasthan	19408.05	18364.16	20100.18	17783.60	17628.96	13521.54
9	Uttar Pradesh	50921.07	44171.54	51184.55	36764.38	51128.79	29638.58
10	Uttarakhand	1907.20	1948.48	2113.23	1818.95	1741.45	1160.35
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>157445.67</b>	<b>134941.92</b>	<b>152443.81</b>	<b>128964.88</b>	<b>150380.49</b>	<b>85963.72</b>
<b>B. North East States</b>							
11	Arunachal Pradesh	181.90	84.74	230.52	139.49	202.28	51.58
12	Assam	10494.20	9056.72	8534.18	8683.12	7156.48	6392.32
13	Manipur	197.02	229.04	234.26	294.61	234.26	140.57
14	Meghalaya	368.13	234.73	416.13	296.60	462.11	240.19
15	Mizoram	188.32	70.11	129.43	73.95	128.93	119.44
16	Nagaland	175.90	120.63	184.14	79.89	182.36	31.78
17	Sikkim	31.25	26.65	22.50	48.35	31.54	16.39
18	Tripura	291.87	252.43	318.65	292.51	318.90	178.58
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>11928.59</b>	<b>10075.04</b>	<b>10069.81</b>	<b>9908.52</b>	<b>8716.86</b>	<b>7170.85</b>
<b>C. Non-High Focus States</b>							
19	Andhra Pradesh	2509.88	3019.07	2494.88	3258.77	2765.55	1653.04
20	Goa	12.30	4.40	12.30	7.17	12.30	4.06
21	Gujarat	3580.20	3485.26	3616.47	3574.31	2823.37	2091.16
22	Haryana	433.39	710.57	535.42	717.48	546.55	350.44
23	Karnataka	6585.00	5499.98	6622.50	5987.91	7881.02	4119.74
24	Kerala	1313.12	1372.41	1369.67	1389.32	1499.38	857.82
25	Maharashtra	5263.99	4591.24	4982.31	4471.27	5087.17	2528.79
26	Punjab	1109.24	1367.39	1109.24	1265.90	1081.74	888.41
27	Tamil Nadu	5243.87	4530.20	3991.95	3565.62	4133.57	2360.41
28	Telangana	2282.65	1871.57	1827.50	2205.80	2133.45	1665.19
29	West Bengal	5967.49	6046.42	6975.84	5359.46	5640.00	3985.82
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>34301.13</b>	<b>32498.51</b>	<b>33538.08</b>	<b>31803.02</b>	<b>33604.10</b>	<b>20504.87</b>
<b>D. Small States/UTs</b>							
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	7.23	5.31	7.23	3.48	7.23	3.89

31	Chandigarh	6.12	7.35	13.82	5.79	9.51	6.65
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	22.40	23.46	22.00	38.51	52.74	32.62
33	Daman & Diu	2.69	1.73	3.05	1.97	3.05	0.90
34	Delhi	230.00	118.19	200.85	118.77	161.00	57.85
35	Lakshadweep	6.91	9.37	12.13	5.33	12.13	3.07
36	Puducherry	30.35	22.96	26.93	21.92	27.42	13.47
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>305.70</b>	<b>188.37</b>	<b>286.01</b>	<b>195.76</b>	<b>273.08</b>	<b>118.45</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>203981.09</b>	<b>177703.85</b>	<b>196337.70</b>	<b>170872.18</b>	<b>192974.53</b>	<b>113757.89</b>

\* Provisional

Note:

- 1) SPIP stands for State Programme Implementation Plan.
- 2) Expenditure is inclusive of previous year's unspent balance, Central grant and State share and it is updated upto 31.12.2016.
- 3) The above figures are as per FMR submitted by the States/UTs.

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3173  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018**

**SOCIAL SECURITY TO WOMEN UNDER NATIONAL AAROGYA MISSION**

**†3173. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any step to provide to women daily wages earners/employees their wages, provident fund, ESI and other social security under Woman and Child Development Scheme and National Aarogya Mission;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (c): No, Madam. Only those women daily wage earners, who are engaged in factories and establishments covered under ESI Act are eligible for all benefits of ESI Scheme as per their entitlement.**

**The ESI Scheme is a contributory self-sustained scheme which is run on the contribution of covered employees & Employers. The employees who are covered under ESI Scheme had to pay the contribution of 1.75% of his wages whereas the employer of covered employee has to pay contribution of 4.75%. The covered employees are provided ESI Benefits subject to fulfilling contributory conditions as laid down in ESI Act.**

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3195  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018**

**STEPS FOR SPEEDY DISPOSAL OF CLAIMS BY EPFO**

**3195. SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE:  
SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB:  
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of cases of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) settled by the Employee' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) the total number of cases of EPF pending for settlement during the said period, State/UT-wise;**
- (c) whether the prescribed norms have been followed in processing and settlement of the said claims during the said period across the country;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the rate of settlement and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (e) whether the Government proposes to reduce the period of settlement of claims and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for speedy disposal of the pending claims along with achievements thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b): The State/UT-wise details of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) claims settled and the cases pending for settlement during the last three years and the current year is at Annex.**

**(c) & (d): As per paragraph 72(7) of Employees' Provident Funds (EPF) Scheme, 1952, the claims, complete in all respects submitted along with the requisite documents shall be settled and benefit amount paid to the beneficiaries within 20 days from the date of its receipt. The prescribed norms are being followed by Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) in settlement of claims. On an average, 93 per cent of the total claims are settled within 20 days of their receipt.**

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**(e): At present, there is no proposal under consideration to reduce the period of settlement.**

**(f): The following steps have been taken by EPFO for speedy disposal of pending claims:-**

- i) EPFO has allotted a twelve digit permanent number to its members called Universal Account Number (UAN). This UAN will help consolidation of previous PF accounts and portability in case of change of employment.**
- ii) A single page Composite Claim Form (CCF) has been introduced for withdrawals by replacing the erstwhile multiple Claim Forms No. 19, 10C and 31.**
- iii) A member is no longer required to submit documents e.g. Medical Certificate and may only self-certify to avail withdrawals. The requirement to affix revenue stamp on claim forms has been done away with.**
- iv) Online Transfer Claim Portal (OTCP) has been introduced to facilitate seamless transfer of claims.**
- v) The entire payment to subscribers is done electronically through National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) system.**
- vi) The subscribers have been given an option to submit claims through online mode. The services of EPFO for subscribers have also been integrated and offered through UMANG application of Government of India.**

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**Annex**

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) & (B) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3195 FOR 31.12.2018 RAISED BY SHRI SANJAY DHOTRE, SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB AND SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE REGARDING "STEPS FOR SPEEDY DISPOSAL OF CLAIMS BY EPFO".

S. N O.	STATE/UT	No. of PF claims settled during the year				No. of PF claims pending at the end of the year			
		2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (to-date)	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (30.11.2018)
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	192720	184795	257965	189499	177	2	450	195
2	ASSAM	32313	28092	43627	40840	83	0	1061	73
3	BIHAR	37024	41727	50517	60763	221	0	2	102
4	CHANDIGARH	96349	80186	106372	95238	78	4	282	8
5	CHHATTISGARH	56421	56781	66415	55566	2947	0	977	1870
6	DELHI	462971	489127	537521	619522	3853	2	9271	174
7	GOA	39996	32726	48000	36091	721	2	472	0
8	GUJARAT (including Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu)	427315	423420	547843	540365	2318	4	1109	185
9	HARYANA	484410	505487	600383	521822	6279	5	18911	4805
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	53379	54279	59700	61062	87	0	115	108
11	JHARKHAND	61749	55049	76932	72536	125	0	9	0
12	KARNATAKA	759604	842364	992155	882870	1633	2	9060	1106
13	KERALA (including Lakshadweep)	203820	205519	261927	239885	4319	1	3035	8
14	MADHYA PRADESH	175931	175570	253142	230491	208	0	407	6
15	MAHARASHTRA	1409795	1377222	1680622	1532067	25554	4	15588	8545
16	MEGHALAYA	3868	3583	3459	2859	1	0	7	23
17	ODISHA	124209	138378	159746	154168	274	0	83	6
18	PUNJAB	151646	146381	208668	164492	994	3	447	2
19	RAJASTHAN	157278	170922	206105	200915	14	1	444	1
20	TAMIL NADU (including Puducherry)	806186	858428	1059945	1035784	17225	13	9358	992
21	TELANGANA	402886	404342	442328	417166	1503	14	5245	121
22	TRIPURA	3504	3909	3172	4268	55	0	10	0
23	UTTAR PRADESH	343882	354751	460446	462413	945	0	1945	214
24	UTTARAKHAND	95046	86863	132382	135867	441	0	1687	212
25	WEST BENGAL (including Andaman & Nicobar islands)	272212	290898	312759	275417	446	1	2419	66
<b>ALL INDIA TOTAL</b>		6854514	7010799	8572131	8031966	70501	58	82394	18822

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4161  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2019**

**PMRPY**

**4161. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government targeted 10 million jobs by March 2019 under the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY);**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the total number of jobs provided under this scheme so far, State/UT-wise; and**
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to achieve the said target within the stipulated time?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (d): Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) was launched on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 with the objective to incentivise employers for creation of employment. Under the scheme, Government of India is paying Employer's full contribution i.e. 12% towards EPF and EPS both (as admissible from time to time) w.e.f. 01.04.2018 for a period of three years to the new employees and to the existing beneficiaries for their remaining period of three years through EPFO. The terminal date for registration of beneficiary through establishment is 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2019. The scheme is targeted for employees earning upto Rs. 15,000 per month. This scheme has a dual benefit, where, on the one hand, the employer is incentivised for increasing the employment base of workers in the establishment, and on the other hand, these workers will have access to social security benefits of the organized sector. Number of Employees and Establishments benefitted as on 31.12.2018 is 98.38 lakh and 1.21 lakh respectively. State-wise employees, establishment benefitted and amount of subsidy disbursed is at Annexure.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4161 FOR 07-01-2019 REGARDING PMRPY**

**Details from PMRPY Portal from inception till 31-Dec- 2018**

<b>State</b>	<b>No. Of Establishment Benefited During Period 01-Apr-2016 to 31-Dec-2018</b>	<b>No. Of Employees Benefited During Period 01-Apr-2016 to 31-Dec-2018</b>	<b>Subsidy Amount Disbursed During Period 01-Apr-2016 to 31-Dec-2018</b>
<b>ANDHRA PRADESH</b>	<b>8646</b>	<b>780535</b>	<b>2422534115</b>
<b>ASSAM</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>8258</b>	<b>27780925</b>
<b>BIHAR</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>105355</b>	<b>474851209</b>
<b>CHANDIGARH</b>	<b>3612</b>	<b>155769</b>	<b>548215125</b>
<b>CHHATTISGARH</b>	<b>2473</b>	<b>102987</b>	<b>359170624</b>
<b>DELHI</b>	<b>5570</b>	<b>628772</b>	<b>2137927962</b>
<b>GOA</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>15343</b>	<b>42488134</b>
<b>GUJARAT</b>	<b>11763</b>	<b>857175</b>	<b>2748520825</b>
<b>HARYANA</b>	<b>7067</b>	<b>823757</b>	<b>2633467270</b>
<b>HIMACHAL PRADESH</b>	<b>2565</b>	<b>110997</b>	<b>340391679</b>
<b>JHARKHAND</b>	<b>1110</b>	<b>46635</b>	<b>133283018</b>
<b>KARNATAKA</b>	<b>7853</b>	<b>963140</b>	<b>3471298051</b>
<b>KERALA</b>	<b>3567</b>	<b>165120</b>	<b>892195708</b>
<b>MADHYA PRADESH</b>	<b>4548</b>	<b>282474</b>	<b>1040402671</b>
<b>MAHARASHTRA</b>	<b>14193</b>	<b>1746468</b>	<b>5470612241</b>
<b>ODISHA</b>	<b>2169</b>	<b>110975</b>	<b>358483871</b>
<b>PUNJAB</b>	<b>4760</b>	<b>161869</b>	<b>626154768</b>
<b>RAJASTHAN</b>	<b>7601</b>	<b>376834</b>	<b>1029095730</b>
<b>TAMIL NADU</b>	<b>13527</b>	<b>1177433</b>	<b>3816056107</b>
<b>UTTAR PRADESH</b>	<b>12556</b>	<b>689057</b>	<b>2528746729</b>
<b>UTTARAKHAND</b>	<b>2491</b>	<b>243977</b>	<b>642416319</b>
<b>WEST BENGAL</b>	<b>3825</b>	<b>285416</b>	<b>787598144</b>
	<b>121350</b>	<b>9838346</b>	<b>32531691225</b>

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4222  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.01.2019  
SOCIAL SECURITY AND FACILITIES FOR INDUSTRIAL WORKERS**

**4222. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of labourers working in different industrial units in the country, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) the details of number of skilled and semi-skilled labourers out of the above and the kind of trade they are working in;**
- (c) whether the provision for housing, education of children, medical facility, drinking water and toilets are made by industries for the above labourers; and**
- (d) if so, the details of the industries which have provided the above facilities and the number of labourers benefitted there from, State/UT-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b):** As per results of labour force survey on employment and unemployment conducted during 2011-12 by National Sample Survey Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, of the 47.41 crore total workforce on usual status basis, the share of self-employed, regular wage/salaried employees and casual labour were 52.2%, 17.9% & 29.9% respectively in the country. The State-wise details are given at Annexure. Further, according to the Annual Survey of Industries 2013-14 released by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, around 1.04 crore workers were employed in around 1.86 lakh factories that were in operation.

**(c) & (d):** Workers get benefits under various legislations like Employees State Insurance Act, 1948, Employees Compensation Act, 1923, Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972, Payment of Bonus Act, 1965 and Building and Other Construction Workers Act, 1996. The coverage of establishments under The Employees' Provident Fund & Miscellaneous Provisions (EPF&MP) Act 1952 has been enlarged to include construction workers. The Ministry has initiated many labour welfare measures which includes that the services of a woman worker cannot be terminated during the period of her absence on account of pregnancy. As per amendment of Section 5 of the Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017, maximum period for which a woman can get paid maternity benefit is twenty-six weeks upto two surviving children, 12 weeks of paid maternity leave is also available. A medical bonus of Rs 3,500/- is being provided under the Act. The crèche facility has also been provided by the Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017 after insertion of Section 11A, which ensures every establishment having fifty or more employees shall have the facility of crèche in the establishment.

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4237  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.01.2019  
FACILITIES FOR EPS PENSIONERS OF 1995**

**†4237. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to pay at least Rs. 7500 as basic pension and dearness allowance and free health care facilities to the EPS pensioners of 1995 and their families;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;**
- (d) whether the Government has received any representation with regard to collective demands of EPS pensioners of 1995;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (c): No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.**

**For consultation with stakeholders, note containing a pilot scheme to extend medical benefits to the pensioners (and their spouse) drawing pension up to Rs. 1000/- per month under Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 and residing in Delhi has been circulated.**

**(d) to (f): Representations are received from individual EPS, 1995 pensioners as well as pensioners associations raising demands inter-alia as under:**

- (i) To increase the minimum monthly pension;**
- (ii) To link the monthly pension with cost of living index;**
- (iii) Restoration of commuted value of pension;**
- (iv) Re-introduction of the provision for commutation of pension;**
- (v) Restoration of the provision of Return of Capital;**
- (vi) Reduction in the period for calculation of monthly average pensionable salary from 60 months to 12 months; and**
- (vii) Payment of pension on Higher Wages to employees of exempted establishments.**

**A High Empowered Monitoring Committee, constituted by the Government for complete evaluation and review of EPS, 1995 including above issues, have submitted a report.**

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**Annexure**

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha unstarred Question No. 4222 due for reply on 07-01-2019.

State-wise details of self-employed, regular wage/salaried employees and casual labour in rural and urban areas on usual status basis during 2011-12.

(in percent)

Sl. No.	States/UTs	Rural			Urban		
		Self-employed	Regular Wage/Salaried Employees	Casual Labour	Self-Employed	Regular Wage/Salaried Employees	Casual Labour
1	Andhra Pradesh	46.7	8.0	45.2	37.6	46.7	15.9
2	Arunachal Pradesh	82.0	12.0	6.0	35.6	53.1	11.2
3	Assam	70.0	11.7	18.4	53.8	36.5	9.7
4	Bihar	52.0	4.0	44.0	60.5	22.1	17.4
5	Chhattisgarh	58.2	4.1	37.9	35.1	36.2	28.7
6	Delhi	19.3	79.8	0.9	34.7	61.4	3.6
7	Goa	28.3	55.6	16.1	27.9	65.3	6.8
8	Gujarat	57.0	10.3	32.7	41.7	49.5	8.9
9	Haryana	61.8	14.0	24.4	40.6	49.4	10.1
10	Himachal Pradesh	71.1	14.1	14.6	30.3	60.6	9.1
11	Jammu & Kashmir	63.0	15.3	21.7	48.7	40.9	10.4
12	Jharkhand	68.6	4.3	27.3	43.7	38.0	18.3
13	Karnataka	52.0	11.8	36.2	39.4	44.9	16.0
14	Kerala	38.2	17.8	44.0	36.4	35.8	27.8
15	Madhya Pradesh	60.0	4.9	35.1	48.3	34.8	16.9
16	Maharashtra	53.7	8.8	37.4	36.2	54.5	9.3
17	Manipur	65.8	12.1	22.4	73.0	22.0	5.0
18	Meghalaya	71.0	10.2	18.7	35.9	50.0	14.1
19	Mizoram	82.5	9.3	8.3	52.3	39.8	7.6
20	Nagaland	85.6	12.9	1.5	42.9	54.0	2.8
21	Odisha	62.4	6.7	30.9	51.2	34.6	14.2
22	Punjab	54.9	17.0	28.3	44.6	47.8	7.6
23	Rajasthan	67.5	6.8	25.5	45.4	38.7	15.6
24	Sikkim	79.6	15.5	4.9	38.3	58.2	3.8
25	Tamil Nadu	29.9	14.0	55.9	34.4	43.4	22.4
26	Tripura	41.3	8.0	50.7	39.2	44.5	16.3
27	Uttarakhand	74.0	11.3	14.7	51.5	40.0	8.9
28	Uttar Pradesh	66.9	5.9	26.9	54.6	28.7	17.0
29	West Bengal	46.4	8.7	44.6	45.0	38.0	16.8
30	A & N Islands	45.8	39.4	14.8	18.5	58.1	23.3
31	Chandigarh	20.3	59.3	20.3	37.3	55.9	7.1
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	39.1	48.0	12.9	16.3	81.5	2.2
33	Daman & Diu	9.6	88.9	1.4	35.5	53.8	10.7
34	Lakshadweep	17.1	41.9	40.7	35.4	42.4	22.2
35	Puducherry	27.0	30.0	42.7	23.7	54.9	21.1
	Total	55.9	8.8	35.3	42.0	43.4	14.6

Source: NSSO Survey 2011-12.

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4237  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.01.2019  
FACILITIES FOR EPS PENSIONERS OF 1995**

**†4237. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to pay at least Rs. 7500 as basic pension and dearness allowance and free health care facilities to the EPS pensioners of 1995 and their families;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;**
- (d) whether the Government has received any representation with regard to collective demands of EPS pensioners of 1995;**
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (f) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government thereon?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (c): No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.**

**For consultation with stakeholders, note containing a pilot scheme to extend medical benefits to the pensioners (and their spouse) drawing pension up to Rs. 1000/- per month under Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 and residing in Delhi has been circulated.**

**(d) to (f): Representations are received from individual EPS, 1995 pensioners as well as pensioners associations raising demands inter-alia as under:**

- (i) To increase the minimum monthly pension;**
- (ii) To link the monthly pension with cost of living index;**
- (iii) Restoration of commuted value of pension;**
- (iv) Re-introduction of the provision for commutation of pension;**
- (v) Restoration of the provision of Return of Capital;**
- (vi) Reduction in the period for calculation of monthly average pensionable salary from 60 months to 12 months; and**
- (vii) Payment of pension on Higher Wages to employees of exempted establishments.**

**A High Empowered Monitoring Committee, constituted by the Government for complete evaluation and review of EPS, 1995 including above issues, have submitted a report.**

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**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4307  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.01.2019**

**DIGITISATION OF SERVICES**

**4307. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has decided to digitalize the services to accelerate the claims settlement of EPFO beneficiaries in Provident Fund, Pension & Insurance;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the recently introduced online facility of “Claim Receipt Entry” at 117 District Offices of EPFO by integrating them digitally has met its intended objective of cutting down long distance travels of members for claim submission and support facilities like notifications by email and SMS services for checking progress of claims processing and if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) whether the Government has tied up/proposes to tie up with the private sector for ensuring integration of seamless data collection and execution; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The following initiatives have been undertaken to accelerate the claim settlements:-**

- i) Employees’ Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has allotted a twelve digit permanent number to its members called Universal Account Number (UAN). This UAN will help consolidation of previous Provident Fund (PF) accounts and portability in case of change of employment.**

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- ii) Online Transfer Claim Portal (OTCP) has been introduced to facilitate seamless transfer of claims.**
- iii) The entire payments to subscribers are done electronically through National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) system.**
- iv) The subscribers have been given an option to submit claims through online mode. The services of EPFO for subscribers have also been integrated and offered through UMANG application of Government of India.**
- v) Introduction of online request functionality to EPF subscribers for correction in Name, Date of Birth and Gender. The requirement to submit physical documents has been done away with.**
- vi) Online generation of Certificate of Coverage (CoC) to ease the enrolment of International Workers.**
- vii) E-sign facility has been extended to submit their nominations online.**

**A dedicated Pensioners' Portal has been launched through which pensioners may get the details about their Pension Payment Order (PPO), Passbook, date of credit of pension and submission of Life Certificate.**

**(c): The online facility of "Claim Receipt Entry" at District Offices requires more time before analyzing its performance of achieving intended objectives. Its present status is given as under:**

- (i) It has been successfully implemented as pilot project in 3 districts viz. Dimapur, Cachar and Patiala. It has been extended to 65 district offices as of 02.01.2019.**
- (ii) The facility of notification on receipt of claim by SMS is provided.**

**(d): No, Madam.**

**(e): Does not arise in view of reply to part (d) of the Question above.**

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