RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 93 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021

DEATH OF LABOURERS DUE TO ACCIDENTS IN INDUSTRIES

93 # SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM:

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Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)the total number of labourers died in the accidents occuring in various industries in Chhattisgarh, since the year, 2018 till date, year-wise and district-wise details thereof;
- (b)the number of such families of the deceased labourers which have been provided with compensation, financial assistance, pension and appointment on compassionate grounds along with the number of such cases still pending; and
- (c)whether Government has taken any action against the persons responsible for the safety lapses which caused death of the labourers in the industries, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 93 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021 RAISED BY SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM REGARDING DEATH OF LABOURERS DUE TO ACCIDENTS IN INDUSTRIES.

(a): As per information received by Directorate General of Factory Advice Service and Labour Institutes (DGFASLI), Ministry of Labour and Employment from the State Government of Chhattisgarh, the district wise details of labourers who died in accidents in factories registered under the Factories Act, 1948 for the years from 2018-2020 are at **Annexure**.

(b): The Government has enacted various Acts like the Employee's Compensation (EC) Act, 1923, Employees' State Insurance (ESI) Act, 1948 for providing compensation and pension benefits to dependents of deceased labourers dying due to industrial accident. Dependents of the labourers who are covered under ESI Act get pension under the said Act and those who are not covered under ESI Act, their dependents get compensation under the Employees Compensation Act, 1923.

As per information received from the State Government of Chhattisgarh, the details of families of deceased labourers who have been provided compensation, financial assistance, pension and appointment on compassionate grounds in factories are as under:

Year	Total No. of	Compensation	n under EC	Act/ pension	Financial	Appointmen
	families of	under ESI Ac	ct		Assistance	t on
	the	No. of	No. of	No. of		compassion
	deceased	families	families	families yet		ate grounds
	labour	awarded	awarded	to receive		
		compensati	pension	compensati		
		on		on/ pension		
2018	91	26	38	27	81	16
2019	87	17	33	37	83	05
2020	87	17	16	54	82	04
Total	265	60	87	118	246	25

(c): The appropriate Government i.e. State of Government Chhattisgarh has launched prosecution against the persons responsible for safety lapses in factories causing accidents leading to death of labourers. Detail of prosecutions launched for the years 2018 to 2020 is as under:

Year	Number of deaths	Number of prosecutions
2018	91	72
2019	87	75
2020	87	82
Total	265	229

Total 229 accidents occurred in which 265 labourers died. Criminal cases have been filed at Labour Courts in all 229 accidents.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO: 93 FOR 28.07.2021 REGARDING DEATH OF LABOURERS DUE TO ACCIDENTS IN INDUSTRIES FOR THE YEARS 2018-2020 IN CHHATTISGARH

SI. No.	Name of District		Yea	r
		2018	2019	2020
1.	Raipur	28	41	33
2.	BalodaBajar	2	5	4
3.	Gariyaband	1	0	0
4.	Dhamtari	1	0	0
5.	Mahasamund	1	3	1
6.	Bilaspur	1	4	3
7.	Mungeli	0	0	1
8.	Korba	4	2	3
9.	Janjgir-Champa	7	2	7
10.	Raigarh	11	14	17
11.	Gaurella-Pendra-Marwahi	0	0	0
12.	Bastar	0	0	0
13.	Kondagaon	0	0	0
14.	Kanker	0	0	0
15.	Dantewada	0	0	0
16.	Sukma	3	0	0
17.	Narayanpur	0	0	0
18.	Bijapur	0	0	0
19.	Surguja	0	0	0
20.	Surajpur	0	0	1
21.	Balrampur	0	0	0
22.	Koriya	0	0	0
23.	Jashpur	0	0	0
24.	Durg	22	13	11
25.	Rajnandgaon	3	2	2
26.	Balod	1	0	1
27.	Bemetra	0	0	2
28.	Kawardha	6	1	1
	Total	91	87	87

Note: Data collected by Directorate General of Factory Advice Service and Labour Institutes (DGFASLI), Ministry of Labour and Employment through correspondence with the Directorate of Industrial Safety and Health (DISH), the State Government of Chhattisgarh.

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 247 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

SOCIAL SECURITY PROVISIONS FOR FILM AND TELEVISION INDUSTRY WORKERS

247. SMT. ROOPA GANGULY:

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Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether there is any provision for the social security including pensions and Provident Fund (PF) for the people in film and television industry;
- (b)if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c)what actions have been taken by Government to secure the livelihood of junior artists in the film industry, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 247 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021 BY SMT. ROOPA GANGULY REGARDING SOCIAL SECURITY PROVISIONS FOR FILM AND TELEVISION INDUSTRY WORKERS.

Yes, Sir. The Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous (a) & (b): Provisions Act, 1952 (the Act) provides social security benefits i.e., provident fund, pension and insurance under three schemes, namely the Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) Scheme, 1952, the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 and the Employees' Deposit Linked Insurance Scheme, 1976 framed under the Act. The Act was applied on establishments pertaining to film industry i.e. (i) cinemas including preview theaters; (ii) film studios; (iii) film production concerns; (iv) distribution concerns dealing with exposed films; and (v) film processing laboratories with effect from 31.07.1961. Further, with effect from 02.12.2007, the provisions of the Act were applied on "Electronic media companies in private sector" under which the Television industry is covered. Paragraph 81 inserted in the EPF Scheme, 1952 as a special provision which governs the social security benefits of the schemes framed under the Act to the cine-workers as under the Cine-Workers and **Cinema Theatre Workers (Regulation of Employment) Act, 1981.**

The Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, (c): 2020 (37 of 2020) (the Code) after passing by the Parliament has been notified on 29.09.2020, which has expanded the scope and coverage. The Code has now introduced a new definition called "audio-visual worker" which means a person, who is employed, directly or through any contractor, in or in connection with the audio-visual production to work as artist including actor, musician, singer, anchor, news reader, dancer, dubbing artist or stunt person or to do any work, skilled, unskilled, manual, supervisory, technical, artistic or otherwise, and his remuneration with respect to such employment in or in connection with the production of audio-visual does not exceed, where remuneration is by way of monthly wages or where such remuneration is by way of lump sum, in each case, such amount as may be notified by the Central Government. Further, section 66 of the Code prohibits employment of audio-visual worker in or in connection with production of any audio-visual programme without an agreement which shall include - (i) nature of assignment; (ii) wages and other benefits (including provident fund, if covered under the Employees' Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952); (iii) health and working conditions; (iv) safety; (v) hours of work; (vi) welfare facilities.

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1008 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021

PENSION TO DEPENDANTS OF PERSONS WHO DIED DUE TO COVID

1008 SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether it is a fact that the Ministry has decided to provide pension to dependants of persons who died due to COVID;
- (b)how the existing scheme of giving pension to dependents is different/beneficial than the proposed one;
- (c)whether it is a fact that the pension would be given only for two years;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e)whether the benefit of pension would be extended to dependents of those workers also who have not registered with Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC); and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) & (b): Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has launched the "ESIC Covid-19 Relief Scheme" in order to provide financial support to the dependents of the Insured Person (IP) who died due to Covid-19 for a period of 2 years w.e.f. 24.03.2020. Under this Scheme, 90% of average wages of deceased IP is distributed among the eligible dependents of the IP. The eligibility conditions are:

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(a) The IP who died due to Covid-19 disease must have been registered on the ESIC online portal at least three months prior to the date of diagnosis of Covid-19 disease resulting in his/ her death.

(b) The deceased IP must have been in employment on the date of diagnosis of Covid-19 disease and contributions for at least 70 days should have been paid or payable in respect of him/her during a period of maximum one year immediately preceding the diagnosis of Covid-19.

The provisions of "ESIC Covid-19 Relief Scheme" are beneficial vis-à-vis existing provisions under Section 46 of the ESI Act, 1948 as under:

(i) In case of death of an Insured Women (IW) benefit is available to widower of the IW which is not in the existing provisions of the Act.

(ii) In the existing dependents' benefit, the benefit being availed by the widow of IP stops once she re-marries. In the ESIC Covid-19 Relief Scheme there is no such condition.

2. Further, dependents of members of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) are also eligible for pension under the Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995, which is a self-funded scheme with contributions @ 8.33% and 1.16% of wages by the employer and the Central Government respectively.

(c) & (d): No, Sir. The Scheme is for a period of 2 years which is effective from 24.03.2020, but all the dependents benefits are available lifelong as per the existing eligibility provisions in respect of (i) spouse and widowed mother of deceased IP/IW for life; (ii) son of deceased IP/IW till he attains age of 25 years, or if he is infirm then till infirmity lasts; and (iii) daughter of deceased IP/IW till her marriage, or if infirm till her infirmity lasts.

(e) & (f): The ESIC Covid-19 Relief Scheme is only for the Insured Persons who are employees under Section 2(9) of the ESI Act, 1948.

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RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1043 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2021

DECREASE IN INCOME FOR INFORMAL SECTOR WORKERS

1043 DR. NARENDRA JADHAV:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether it is a fact that there has been a drop in income or wage rates for informal sector workers, not only during the lockdown but even in the subsequent months;
- (b)whether Government has undertaken any study to assess the amount of such drop and if so, the details thereof;
- (c)if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d)the steps Government is taking to address such vulnerable households;
- (e)whether Government has collected any data on the impact of the second wave on household income and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): Labour Bureau compiles and maintains average daily wage rate data on monthly basis in respect of general agricultural and nonagricultural labourers (men and women) on the basis of the data collected by the Field Operation Division (FOD) of National Statistical Office (NSO) from a fixed set of 600 sample villages spread over 20 States across the country. There has been a positive growth in average daily wage rates between March 2020 and May 2021. (b) to (f): The Government has entrusted the Labour Bureau to conduct an All India Survey on Migrant Workers, which also includes assessment of the impact of COVID-19 on the migrant workers and capture data on impact on their wages/earnings due to COVID-19 pandemic.

Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than rupees twenty seven lakh crore as part of the Aatmanirbhar Bharat financial Package which comprises various long term schemes/ programmes/policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING)

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1221 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2021)

VACANCY IN GOVERNMENT JOBS

1221 SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

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

- (a) the total sanctioned strength and total vacancies in all Central Government departments, PSUs, organisations, etc;
- (b) the number of sanctioned positions reserved for SCs/STs/OBCs and the number of those which are lying vacant;
- (c) the average annual recruitment in Government departments during the last five years, year-wise;
- (d) the increase in contractual positions over the last five years, year-wise; and
- (e) the State-wise breakup of vacancy positions in all Central Government departments, PSUs, organisations, etc?

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): The total sanctioned strength and total vacancies in all Central Government departments, as on 01.03.2020 are as under:

Sanctioned strength	Employees in position	Vacant posts
40,04,941	31,32,698	8,72,243

As per information provided by the Department of Public Enterprises, as on 31.3.2020, there were 9.20 lakhs regular employees in 256 Operating Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs).

(b): Representation of SCs/STs/OBCs in Central Govt. employment is mandated to be 15%, 7.5% and 27% respectively. Recruitment is a continuous process. However, the information in respect of backlog of reserved vacancies, as on 31.12.2019, is at Annexure-I.

(c) & (d): Year-wise recruitments made by three major recruiting agencies i.e. Staff Selection Commission (SSC), Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) and Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs), for Groups 'A', 'B' & 'C' during last five years is at Annexure-II.

(e): A statement indicating sanctioned strength and the employees in-position, Ministry/Department-wise, as on 01.03.2020 in respect of Central Government employees is at Annexure-III.

ANNEXURE-

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	UPSC	SSC	RRBs	Total
2016-17	5,735	68,880	27,538	1,02,153
2017-18	6,294	45,391	25,507	77,192
2018-19	4,399	16,748	17,680	38,827
2019-20	5,230	14,691	1,28,456	1,48,377
2020-21	3,609	68,891	5,764	78,264
· · · · · ·	25,267	2,14,601	2,04,945	4,44,813

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Recruitment made by UPSC, SSC and RRBs during last five years

ANNEXURE-III

GROUP-WISE AND STATUS-WISE (G/NG) ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN REGULAR EMPLOYEES AS ON 01.03.2020

S.No	Ministry/Department		Number	I Sanction	ed Posts			Num	ber in Pos	tion	
		A(G)	B(G) ,	B[NG]	C(NG)	Total	A(G)	8(G)	B(NG)	C(NG)	Total
[1]	[2]	(3)	[4]	[5]	(6)	[7]	[8]	[9]	(10)	(11)	(12)
1	Agricultural Research and Education	19	11	10	14	54	16	5	5	ہ 5	32
2	Agriculture , Cooperation and Farmers Welfare	620	519	583	4069	5791	394	332	370	2523	3619
3	Animal Husbandry and Diarying & Fisherles	305	120	100	2930	3455	196	73	<u> </u>	1775	2110
4	Atomic Energy	11874	573	9523	15110	38080	11932	592	8725	- 11515	1 - 82764
5.	AYUSH	69	27	49	39	184	67	15	38	40	160
6	Bio-Technology	. 95	45	42	. 72	. 255	75	25	24	47	171
7	Cabinet Secretariat	. 76	56	81	129	342	70	57	63	105	295
8	Chemicalsand Petrochemicals & Pharmaceuticals		6	99	127	320	99	9	87	118	313
9	Civil Aviation	797	73	361	875	2106	503	51	211	489	1254
10		69	57	-99	205	43/	5	2 30	i 7!	119	285
11	Commerce	821	. 857	1119	2557	535) 497	43	84) 143	3205
12	Consumer Affairs	200	5 18	284	· 61	3 129	3 15	5 12	8 17	1 314	778
13	Corporate Affairs	73	}	88	5 97	5 259	4 59	8	0 50	6 41/	1518
14	Culture	46	5 23) 143	815	1 1029	4 26	0 12	7 86	6 546	8 6721
15	Defence (Civil)	1810	7 2428	9506	7 49568	2 63313	9 1462	7 2064	7 5987	4 29048	9 385637
:16	Development of NE Region	6	64	5 8	3 14	1 33	6 5	0 3	2 4	6 9	7 225
17	Drinking Water and Sanitation	5	5 3	2 4	3 2	8 15	8 4	2 1	8 3	2 1	5 107
18	Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities	3	8 3	2 5	6 1	7 14	3 3	0 1	.3 3	9	9 91
19	Earth Sciences	76	6 165	4 224	7 284	1 750	8 31	2 108	4 191	8 133	5 464
20	Economic Affairs	33	5 14	2 20	7 71	9 14	9 27	17 13	10 19	32 44	1 104
21	Environment , Forests and Climate Change	r. 71	4 1	2 127	2 269)1 481	69 54	15 (35 64	12 13	x) 262
2	Expenditure	28	9 5	0 23	io 5,	28 15	17 1	89 4.	52 1	73 2!	58 107
2	External Affairs	23:	1 23	.4 273	36	73 110	15 21	17 16	46 21	53 29:	15 883
2	4 Fertilizers		27 (2	1	49 2	49	26	57	9 1	34 , 22
2	5 Financial Services	.2	89 1	39 41	1 7	B4 -16	13 2	20	99 2	91 6	58 126
2	6 Food and Public Distribution	1	58 1	08 2	57 5	04 10	17 1	18	98 2	23 3	18 75

17	Fiel Processing Industries	. 57	59	7	58	181	55	27	Ę	34	111
8	Health and Family Welfare	2545	710	1117	18638	23010	2311			16935	121
. 1	Health Research	5	<u> </u>	. 2	34	42			1013		20907
10	Heavy Industry	57	40	47	103	247	42	23	37	20	25
11	Higher Education	205		359	373	1155	171	132			166
12	Kome Affairs	22634	4529	54501	1002766	1084430	18744	5143	42332	240	844
13	Indian Audit and Accounts Department	5508	12724	<u>.</u>	48290	67522	5906	10838	42352	889369	955588
4	Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade	1101	217	383	869	2570	934	94	179	27541	44285
15	Information and Broadcasting	. 467	. 524	718		5335	323	320	545	457 2190	1664
6	Electronics and Information Technology	4147	171	379	·	6549	3554	111	307		3379
17	Investment and Public Asset Managemnent	34	16		15	86	30	9		1141 13	5113
38	Labour and Employment	1196	·	537	<u> </u>	6711	749	²	476	2580	68
19	Lánd Resources	37	0	57	34	128	32			2300	4068
10	Law and fustice	608	353	469		2703	437	302	290	94Z	1871
41	Mixo, Small and Medlum Enterprises	. 71	1. N. 44	40		452	69	96	38	240	1971
42	Mines	4395	· 1428			14019	2785	855	1378		443 7094
43.	Minority Affairs	.78	<u> </u>		·	267	52	37	29	49	1054
44	New and Renewable Energy	142	47	50		330	77	21	42		213
45	Panchayati Raj	38	23	24	42	127	29	7	20		74
46	Parliamentary Affairs	23	22	45		150	20	13	30	ļ	117
47	Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions	1102	1190	2607	6225	11124	804	· · ·	1810		8749
48	Peiroleum and Natural Gas	70	63	73	126	332	59	49	53		212
49	NiB Aayog	216	336	59	128	739	 133	180	-	┼────┤	 497
50	Posts	85(450	1029	255892	267491	671	404	9343	· · · · · -	177441
51	Power	62) 194	19(j 429	1439	368	128	6() 222	778
52	President's Secretariat	4	44	7.	218	380		39	5	9 157	289
53	Prime Minister's Office	6	1	5 11	8 201	445	· · · ·		11	4 79	329
54	Public Enterprises		0 1	1	4 52	2 107	25			6 32	72
5	Rallways	1365	-	1		1507694	12593	452		0 1253286	1270399

56	Rçyenue	12126	32212	33303	100791	178432	8153	26680	17138	50134	102105
	Road Transport and Highways	377	77	188	334	975	299	61	149	217	726
. <u> </u>	Rural Development	126	108	128	187	549	108	53	89	130	380
_	School Education and Uteracy	- 54	47	81	- 94	276	41	-52	50	59	202
	Science and Technology	643	818	3037	7946	12444	300	580	1620	1717	4217
	Scientific and Industrial Research	49	13	19	35	116	44	12	8	13	77
	Ports, Shipping and Waterways-	- 287	_ 243	610	1502	2642	209	159	345	859	1572
	skill Development and Entrepreneurship	367	124	811	685	1987	258	65	481	419	1223
	Social Justice and Empowerment	133	103	170	260	666	76	58	118	199	451
	Space	9704	161	4032	4805	18702	9438	133	3782	2561	16014
	Statistics and Programme Implementation	547	1823	2646	1136	6152	. 368	1567	1512	772	4219
	Steel	59	42	87	114	302	71	34	69	101	275
68	Telecommunications	987	235	1328	996	3546	1140	192	1082	935	3349
69	Textiles	319	205	725	3489	4739	288	198	730	34 37	4653
70	Tourism	75	102	134	268	579	60	95	115	192	462
71	Tribal Affairs	75	48	47	143	313	52	30	26	64	172
72	Union Public Service Commission	220	277	498	833	1828	175	187	3 22	480	1164
73	Housing and Urban Affairs	3420	3038	526	12523	19507	3406	3038	526	12523	19493
74	Vice President's Secretariat	6	5	8	43	62	5	5	5	36	51
75	Water Resources, River Development and Ganga	1209	787	1449	7194	10639	895	591	807	3689	6082
76	Women and Child Development	113	97	136	352	698	102	63	130	301	596
Ti	Youth Affairs and Sports	59	7(85	168	382	42	61	. 63	125	291
	Total	131350	102264	243409	352791	8 4004941	110095	85467	16536	2771772	3132698

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RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1842 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021

SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES FOR WORKERS OF UNORGANISED SECTOR

1842. SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA SINGH:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a) the social security schemes for workers of unorganised sector; and (b) the total number of enrollments in such schemes, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) & (b): As per the Unorganised Workers Social Security Act, 2008, the Central Government is mandated to provide Social Security to unorganised sector workers/labourers by formulating suitable welfare schemes on matters relating to (i) life and disability cover, (ii) health and maternity benefits, (iii) old age protection and (iv) any other benefit as may be determined by the Central Government. The Unorganised Workers Social Security Act, 2008 has been subsumed in the code on Social Security, 2020.

Life and disability cover is provided through Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Surksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) launched in 2015. The benefits under the scheme are Rs. 2 lakh on death due to any reason and permanent disability, Rs 4 lakh on death due to accident and Rs. 1 lakh on partial disability. The annual premium is Rs. 342/- (Rs. 330/- for PMJJBY + Rs. 12/- for PMSBY) depending upon their eligibility. As on 30.06.2021, the State/UTwise details of the beneficiaries are at Annexure A.

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The health and maternity benefits are addressed through Ayushman Bharat Scheme which is a universal health scheme launched in 2018. Under the scheme, Rs. 5 lakh health coverage per family is provided for secondary and tertiary hospitalization free of cost. The beneficiary families under Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) have been identified from Socio Economic Caste Census (SECC) of 2011. As on 01.08.2021, the State/UT-wise details of the beneficiaries are at Annexure B.

Old age protection in the form of pension to unorganised sector workers is provided by a flagship scheme namely Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan Pension Yojana (PM-SYM) launched in March, 2019 to provide a monthly minimum assured pension of Rs. 3000/- after attaining the age of 60 years. This is a voluntary and contributory pension scheme. The workers in the age group of 18-40 years whose monthly income is Rs. 15000/- or less and not a member of EPFO/ESIC/NPS (Govt. funded) can join the scheme. Under the scheme, 50% monthly contribution is payable by the beneficiary and equal matching contribution is paid by the Central Government. As on 27.07.2021, the State/UT-wise details of the beneficiaries enrolled under the scheme are at Annexure C.

Apart from these schemes, Atal Pension Yojana, Public Distribution System under National Food Security Act, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, National Social Assistance Programme, Gareeb Kalyan Rojgar Yojana, Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Antyodaya Yojana, PMSVANidhi, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, are also available to the unorganised workers depending upon their eligibility criteria.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UN-STARRED QUESTION NO. 1842 FOR 04.08.2021 REGARDING "SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES FOR WORKERS OF UNORGANISED SECTOR" RAISED BY SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA SINGH

Sl.No.	State/UT	Cumulative Enro	llments as on 30.06.2021
		PMJJBY	PMSBY
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	24,818	61,556
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	22,69,2227	3,49,88,417
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	66,326	1,27,712
4	ASSAM	15,25,056	48,07,795
5	BIHAR	36,76,144	1,20,67,992
6	CHANDIGARH	67,738	2,32,459
7	CHHATTISGARH	21,03,320	71,85,954
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	41,557	77,654
9	DAMAN & DIU	33,424	55,056
10	GOA	1,49,910	3,48,454
11	GUJARAT	37,19,328	91,62,480
12	HARYANA	16,85,553	47,86,557
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	3,91,360	14,22,922
14	JAMMU & KASHMIR	3,74,824	9,17,270
15	JHARKHAND	15,79,613	48,49,294
16	KARNATAKA	44,22,362	99,36,309
17	KERALA	10,39,026	53,48,750
18	LADAKH	7,709	15,933
19	LAKSHADWEEP	2,051	7,121
20	MADHYA PRADESH	42,31,779	14,13,0709
21	MAHARASHTRA	64,09,767	1,56,26,600
22	MANIPUR	59,822	1,86,318

	Total	10,53,42,422	23,66,88,220
38	Others & Non-CBS Enrolments	2,19,56,132	1,60,16,806
37	WEST BENGAL	37,72,493	1,33,11,110
36	UTTARAKHAND	5,18,621	23,41,941
35	UTTAR PRADESH	75,82,994	2,93,00,208
34	TRIPURA	2,21,154	7,48,285
33	TELANGANA	34,57,996	87,66,446
32	TAMIL NADU	38,22,257	1,07,82,574
31	SIKKIM	49,560	1,07,310
30	RAJASTHAN	36,70,978	1,11,70,696
29	PUNJAB	17,27,959	55,74,135
28	PUDUCHERRY	86,757	2,28,555
27	ODISHA	26,88,617	79,76,191
26	NCT OF DELHI	12,06,328	33,73,267
25	NAGALAND	62,291	1,88,302
24	MIZORAM	1,07,372	1,85,760
23	MEGHALAYA	1,07,199	2,73,322

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Sl. No.	State/UT	Eligible beneficiary families ⁵	Ayushman Cards generated
1	Andaman And Nicobar		
	Islands	21,399	34,513
2	Andhra Pradesh ²	1,44,79,557	21
3	Arunachal Pradesh	2,60,217	22,918
4	Assam ¹	26,96,996	1,24,24,654
5	Bihar	1,08,11,015	68,86,549
6	Chandigarh	23,678	63,709
7	Chhattisgarh	55,70,919	1,32,95,311
8	DNH and DD	61,950	4,16,007
9	Goa	36,431	21,867
10	Gujarat	75,88,537	77,01,106
11	Haryana	15,45,936	26,21,393
12	Himachal Pradesh	4,78,985	10,76,112
13	Jammu and Kashmir	20,54,298	49,07,408
14	Ladakh	39,542	94,020
15	Jharkhand	57,10,933	90,01,202
16	Karnataka ¹	1,15,00,000	97,83,024
17	Kerala	41,56,111	66,29,736
18	Lakshadweep	1,465	1,636
19			2,48,60,888
	Madhya Pradesh	1,08,61,653	
20	Maharashtra	83,63,664	71,80,456
21	Manipur	2,73,250	3,16,245
22	Meghalaya	5,54,131	16,70,930
23	Mizoram	1,94,859	3,56,701
24	Nagaland	2,33,328	2,58,152
25	Puducherry	1,03,434	2,76,642
26	Punjab	39,57,205	70,52,310
27	Rajasthan ²	1,09,23,867	-
28	Sikkim	39,738	36,809
29	Tamil Nadu ¹	1,47,00,000	2,47,27,093
30	Telangana ³	25,90,010	-
31	Tripura	4,90,964	12,56,360
32	Uttar Pradesh	1,25,28,329	1,43,76,830
33	Uttarakhand	15,69,468	39,79,209
34	Non-State specific ⁴	-	6,65,752
Total	· •	13,44,21,869	16,19,95,563

Note:-

1. Beneficiary cards in Assam, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu are issued by States using own IT systems

2. State of Andhra Pradesh and Rajasthan issue cards on family basis.

3. Telangana only started implementing AB PM-JAY from 18th May 2021;

4. Bifurcation at State level information is not available for few Ayushman card holders

5. Includes SECC 2011 beneficiary families and additional beneficiary families added by State/UTs

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Sl. No.	State/UT	Number of enrolments
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	2,133
2	Andhra Pradesh	1,50,860
3	Arunachal Pradesh	2,474
4	Assam	21,566
5	Bihar	1,94,038
6	Chandigarh	3,927
7	Chhattisgarh	2,08,463
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	759
9	Daman and Diu	805
10	Delhi	8,096
11	Goa	977
12	Gujarat	3,68,884
13	Haryana	8,10,185
14	Himachal Pradesh	41,755
15	Jammu and Kashmir	72,473
16	Jharkhand	1,29,324
17	Karnataka	99,531
18	Kerala	10,539
19	Lakshadweep	21
20	Madhya Pradesh	1,24,813
21	Maharashtra	5,88,527
22	Manipur	3,882
23	Meghalaya	2,922
24	Mizoram	612
25	Nagaland	4,717

26	Odisha	1,65,458	
27	Puducherry	1,251	
28	Punjab	33,431	
29	Rajasthan	1,02,544	
30	Sikkim	130	
31	Tamil Nadu	56,929	
32	Telangana	31,733	
33	Tripura	29,220	
34	Uttar Pradesh	6,20,641	
35	Uttarakhand	34,566	
36	West Bengal	74,863	
Enrollme	Enrollments in States/UTs Total 40,03,0		
Bulk Enrollment in the States/UTs of Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Chandigarh5,06,6		5,06,603	
Grand Total 45,09,65			

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1853 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021

DETAILS OF ESIC CORPUS

1853. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of ESIC corpus and reserve fund;
- (b)the details of fund invested in Government securities, debt-related instruments, fixed deposits, etc.;
- (c)whether there is a proposal to invest in mutual funds and equities;
- (d)if so, whether the said investments are annual accruals or entire corpus;
- (e)whether investment patterns would be on the basis of ESIC Board's decision or as per the instructions issued by Ministry of Finance; and
- (f) what the Labour Code says on investment in mutual funds and equities?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): Employees' State Insurance Fund is maintained as per provision of section 26 of the Employees' State Insurance (ESI) Act, 1948 by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC). The reserve funds are classified as under: -

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SI. No.	Name of the fund	Amount in crore
		(As on 31.03.2021)
1.	Earmarked Reserve Fund	28,836.45
	(Permanent Disablement	
	Benefit Reserve Fund,	
	Dependent's Benefit Reserve	
	Fund, Employee Benefit	
	Reserve Fund (For Pension,	
	Gratuity etc.), ESIC	
	Provident Fund and other	
	Reserve Fund including	
	Repair & Maintenance (R&M)	
	and Depreciation Reserve	
	Fund for office & hospital/	
	dispensary building.	
2.	Non-earmarked Reserve	87,416.87
	Fund	
	(ESI General Reserve Fund,	
	Contingency Reserve Fund &	
	Capital Construction	
	Reserve Fund)	
	Total	1,16,253.32

(b): The investment position of Reserve Fund as on 31.03.2021 is as under: -

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Instruments	Total	investment
	(Amount in crore)	
	(As on 31.03.2021)	
Government Securities (G- Sec.), State Development Loan, Government of India Guaranteed / Serviced bonds	72,610.24	
Debt related instruments – Fixed deposits, AAA rated Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) Bonds	19,667.35	
Money market instruments – Tri-Party Repo (TREPS), Treasury Bills (T-Bills)	5,793.60	
Special Deposit Account (SDA) maintained by Govt. of India	18,182.13	
Total Investment	1,16,253.32	

(c) to (f): ESIC invests its funds as per the investment policy approved by ESI Corporation.

Section 25(4) of Code on Social Security, 2020 stipulates that "The Employees State Insurance Fund or any other money which is held by the Corporation shall be deposited or invested in the manner prescribed by the Central Government".

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1866 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH AUGUST, 2021

ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT ROJGAR YOJANA

1866. SHRI PRASHANTA NANDA:

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

- (a) the target of number of jobs to be created by the Atmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana;
- (b) the total number of jobs created by the scheme;
- (c) whether any measures are being taken to meet target of number of jobs, if it is lower than target; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) is intended to benefit estimated 71.80 lakh beneficiaries.

(b): As on 26.07.2021, benefit of Rs. 1193.18 crore has been provided to 25.57 lakh employees through 91,129 establishments under the scheme.

(c) & (d): Mass awareness has been created through large-scale publicity through seminars and workshops with both the employers & employers' associations and employees and union representatives. EPFO is also promoting the scheme through social media platforms. Further, to increase the coverage, the registration of beneficiaries which was initially only upto 30.06.2021 has been extended till 31.03.2022.

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RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2654 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

SOCIAL SECURITY ACT FOR ROAD TRANSPORT WORKERS

2654. SHRI BIKASH RANJAN BHATTACHARYYA:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether there is any proposal for a Social Security Act for road transport workers; and
- (b)whether Government has taken any decision on V.V.Giri National Labour Institute report/recommendations on the problems of the road transport workers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): The Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 is applicable to factories and notified classes of establishment employing twenty or more employees and provides social security benefits i.e., provident fund, pension and insurance. Similarly, the Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 is applicable to establishments employing ten or more persons and provides social security benefits, namely medical benefit, sickness benefit, maternity benefit, disablement benefit, dependents benefit, etc.

The Code on Social Security, 2020 (the Code) notified on 29.09.2020 and envisages framing of schemes for unorganised workers, gig workers and platform workers to be implemented through the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) and Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO). Further, the Code for the first time enables an establishment having less than ten persons to join ESIC on voluntary basis.

(b): The V.V. Giri National Labour Institute had conducted a study on the subject "Towards Workers Living and Working Conditions with Special Reference to Improving the Road Transport System in India" and had submitted its report to the Government in 2009. The four Labour Codes viz. the Code on Wages, 2019, the Code on Industrial Relations, 2020, the Code on Social Security, 2020 and the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020 have addressed the issues including minimum wages to all workers whether in organised or unorganised sectors and social security benefits through formulation of schemes.

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2657 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

INVESTMENT PATTERN OF ESIC

2657. SHRI PRABHAKAR REDDY VEMIREDDY:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)the details of existing investment pattern of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC);
- (b)the details of collections by ESIC so far and details of investments made by it so far;
- (c)whether it is a fact that Government has permitted ESIC to invest 15 per cent of its corpus in mutual funds and equities;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e)how Ministry justifies investing in equities and mutual funds as it is extending ESIC to gig workers?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): The existing investment pattern of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) is as follows:-

SI. No.	Security / Instrument	Prescribed range
1.	GovernmentSecuritiesandrelatedinstruments(Government Bonds).	45% to 75%
2.	Debtinstruments(fixeddepositsofscheduledcommercial banks for more than1 year, as described below andAAAratedPublicSectorUndertaking (PSU) Bonds	20% to 45%
3.	Short term Debt instruments and related instruments	5% to 10%

(b):	Total income received by ESIC during the last five years from the
financial ye	ear 2016- 17 to 2020-21 is as under:-

Financial Year	Total Income	(Rs. in crore)	
2016-17			16,852.39
2017-18			23,480.37
2018-19			27,312.64
2019-20			22,161.91
2020-21			21,091.13

The details of investment as on 31.03.2021 are as under:-

Category	Instruments	Total investment (Rs. in crore)	
i.	Government Securities, State Development Loans, Government of India	72,610.24	
	Guaranteed / Serviced bonds		
ii.	Debt related instruments – Fixed deposits, AAA rated Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) Bonds	19,667.35	
iii.	Money Market Instruments – Tri-Party Repo (TREPS), Treasury-Bills	5,793.60	
iv.	Special Deposit Account (SDA) maintained by Govt. of India	18,182.13	
	Total	1,16,253.32	

(c) to (e): ESIC invests its funds as per the investment policy approved by ESI Corporation.

Section 25(4) of Code on Social Security, 2020 stipulates that "The Employees State Insurance Fund or any other money which is held by the Corporation shall be deposited or invested in the manner prescribed by the Central Government".

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RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2659 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS EPS

2659. SMT. AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether it is a fact that Government has not given its Employees' Pesnion Scheme (EPS) contribution to Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) during the last five years;
- (b)if so, the reasons therefor along with the quantum of pending arrears in this regard as on date; and
- (c)the corrective steps taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) & (b): The details of funds released to the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) during the last five years towards Government of India's statutory contribution of 1.16 per cent under the Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 are as follows:

Year	Funds released (Rupees in Crore)		
2016-17	3,525.00		
2017-18	4,040.18		
2018-19	3,900.00		
2019-20	3696.67		
2020-21	6027.61		

As on 31.03.2021, there is a cumulative arrear of Rs.10,589.20 crore (provisional).

(c): Keeping in view the trend, a provision of Rs. 6364 crore has been made in Budget Estimates 2021-22 towards Government of India's statutory contribution under EPS, 1995.

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2660 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

INDIVIDUALS REGISTERED UNDER EPS

2660. SHRI PARTAP SINGH BAJWA:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)the total number of individuals registered under Employees Pension Scheme (EPS) during the last five years till date, Statewise;
- (b)the total number of individuals who have provided life certificates through digital Aadhaar during the last five years till date, Statewise;
- (c)the total number of beneficiaries receiving pension since year 2017-18 till date, State-wise;
- (d)the total amount of funds released to beneficiaries since the year 2017-18 till date,State-wise; and
- (e)the total number of female beneficiaries since the year 2017-18 till date?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): Details of total number of individuals registered under the Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 during the years 2017-18 to 2021-22 (upto June, 2021), State-wise, are at Annexure-I.

(b): Details of total number of individuals who have provided life certificate seeded with Aadhaar under EPS during the years 2017-18 to 2021-22 (upto June, 2021), State-wise, are at Annexure-II.

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(c): Details of total number of beneficiaries receiving pension under EPS since the year 2017-18 till June, 2021, State-wise, are at Annexure-III.

(d): Details of funds released under EPS since the year 2017-18 till June, 2021, State-wise, are at Annexure-IV.

(e): The details of total number of female beneficiaries under EPS, 1995 since the year 2017-18 till June, 2021 are as follows:

Year	No. of female beneficiaries
	(In Thousands)
2017-18	2324.22
2018-19	2358.80
2019-20	2465.28
2020-21	2526.59
2021-22	2337.90
(till June, 2021)	

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2660 for answer on 11.08.2021 by Shri Partap Singh Bajwa, Hon'ble M.P. regarding Individuals registered under EPS.

	State-wise details of the total number of individuals registered under EPS during the year 2017-18 to 2021-22 (upto June, 2021) (In Thousands)						
SI.	State name	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	TOTAL
No.						(April-June, 2021)	
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	5.16	4.10	2.43	2.44	0.30	14.43
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	420.38	366.63	321.70	227.27	56.33	1392.31
3	BIHAR	149.21	157.88	172.05	406.17	16.78	902.09
4	CHANDIGARH	199.13	160.89	120.74	92.49	25.46	598.71
5	CHHATTISGARH	186.62	161.16	124.79	97.05	23.00	592.62
6	DELHI	1366.03	1010.69	799.08	497.21	117.95	3790.96
7	GOA	107.69	73.97	59.23	47.19	10.29	298.37
8	GUJARAT	1571.22	1219.45	986.34	821.73	235.28	4834.02
9	HARYANA	1504.51	1049.67	792.16	657.11	166.94	4170.39
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	155.27	117.41	98.64	90.33	23.57	485.22
11	JHARKHAND	180.80	149.86	126.36	87.55	24.21	568.78
12	KARNATAKA	2154.27	1623.54	1370.67	936.79	208.70	6293.97
13	KERALA	273.94	231.79	190.78	119.25	31.67	847.43
14	MADHYA PRADESH	499.16	392.14	319.29	238.94	58.90	1508.43
15	MAHARASHTRA	3947.36	3073.99	2410.31	1679.80	432.08	11543.54
16	NORTH-EASTERN REGION	166.05	131.16	117.16	76.02	16.31	506.70
17	ODISHA	246.58	196.44	157.74	131.43	33.33	765.52
18	PUNJAB	298.39	231.00	173.96	153.87	46.22	903.44
19	RAJASTHAN	587.28	488.97	379.61	315.08	86.99	1857.93
20	TAMIL NADU	2351.29	1795.68	1450.93	1051.58	235.44	6884.92
21	TELANGANA	989.77	842.93	700.06	483.47	120.00	3136.23
22	UTTAR PRADESH	1008.67	826.94	662.35	515.45	131.59	3145.00
23	UTTARAKHAND	363.76	263.44	176.21	154.48	39.34	997.23
24	WEST BENGAL	757.04	590.65	483.06	359.52	97.10	2287.37
	TOTAL	19489.58	15160.38	12195.65	9242.22	2237.78	58325.61

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2660 for answer on 11.08.2021 by Shri Partap Singh Bajwa, Hon'ble M.P. regarding Individuals registered under EPS.

	e-wise details of tot DHAAR under EPS for					ed life certificates s 1) (In Thousands)	eeded with
SI. No.	State name	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (April-June, 2021	TOTAL
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	0.02	0.03	0.29	1.07	0.08	1.49
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	5.72	10.50	24.44	187.20	9.64	237.50
3	BIHAR	1.70	9.05	17.40	92.60	2.76	123.51
4	CHANDIGARH	1.29	2.56	8.47	21.72	0.74	34.78
5	CHHATTISGARH	3.08	3.93	8.65	60.31	1.42	77.39
6	DELHI	5.02	7.85	19.31	79.02	3.20	114.40
7	GOA	0.06	0.86	1.91	10.32	0.50	13.65
8	GUJARAT	10.06	14.16	42.22	152.01	6.38	224.83
9	HARYANA	4.05	6.82	15.87	82.68	4.35	113.77
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	0.71	1.28	2.93	20.01	1.78	26.71
11	JHARKHAND	1.03	5.41	11.05	68.45	1.56	87.50
12	KARNATAKA	13.26	21.14	60.20	373.28	11.37	479.25
13	KERALA	5.59	11.49	31.88	291.87	6.37	347.20
14	MADHYA PRADESH	5.13	8.30	24.32	102.97	3.84	144.56
15	MAHARASHTRA	20.74	37.85	98.74	729.50	22.51	909.34
16	NORTH EASTERN REGION	0.45	1.06	1.97	9.70	0.57	13.75
17	ODISHA	3.83	6.22	17.90	118.36	6.39	152.70
18	PUNJAB	2.75	6.24	13.44	57.47	4.50	84.40
19	RAJASTHAN	3.72	6.41	15.50	104.87	5.47	135.97
20	TAMIL NADU	21.10	29.06	77.37	510.96	21.12	659.61
21	TELANGANA	11.32	11.91	39.06	244.12	8.75	315.16
22	UTTAR PRADESH	10.45	20.99	47.76	242.29	8.61	330.10
23	UTTARAKHAND	1.02	3.11	6.03	28.51	0.81	39.48
24	WEST BENGAL	11.59	20.25	50.58	365.73	7.20	455.35
	TOTAL	143.69	246.48	637.29	3955.02	139.92	5122.40

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2660 for answer on 11.08.2021 by Shri Partap Singh Bajwa, Hon'ble M.P. regarding Individuals registered under EPS.

June	e, 2021.			(In Tho	usands)		
SI. No.	State Name	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (April-June, 2021)	TOTAL
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	2.73	2.88	3.05	2.76	2.22	13.64
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	254.79	260.55	267.51	268.88	249.07	1300.80
3	BIHAR	170.27	167.55	171.72	172.69	154.83	837.06
4	CHANDIGARH	39.94	41.83	42.34	43.53	40.24	207.88
5	CHHATTISGARH	80.05	79.75	82.87	85.60	78.35	406.62
6	DELHI	126.29	129.13	136.76	139.58	126.03	657.79
7	GOA	22.98	23.56	23.83	24.12	21.90	116.39
8	GUJARAT	378.20	381.72	396.96	407.71	370.54	1935.13
9	HARYANA	130.43	131.11	136.10	139.56	128.60	665.80
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	32.10	31.92	33.13	35.42	33.34	165.91
11	JHARKHAND	134.19	130.29	133.28	134.29	124.56	656.61
12	KARNATAKA	495.27	500.53	517.09	528.46	478.94	2520.29
13	KERALA	384.86	392.92	401.99	408.02	381.44	1969.23
14	MADHYA PRADESH	198.38	199.88	203.71	206.18	185.21	993.36
15	MAHARASHTRA	1053.89	1064.10	1097.58	1110.84	1038.18	5364.59
16	NORTH- EASTERN REGION	54.76	56.59	57.48	58.51	51.81	279.15
17	ODISHA	149.17	151.44	159.17	162.13	147.73	769.64
18	PUNJAB	100.90	101.57	104.88	107.27	99.35	513.97
19	RAJASTHAN	149.33	149.33	156.92	159.76	145.44	760.78
20	TAMIL NADU	703.03	715.12	740.32	755.77	702.14	3616.38
21	TELANGANA	335.20	341.81	352.80	359.63	335.45	1724.89
22	UTTAR PRADESH	449.77	449.61	458.35	462.39	422.61	2242.73
23	UTTARAKHAND	52.02	54.98	58.13	59.67	54.30	279.10
24	WEST BENGAL	515.19	525.49	552.97	555.13	519.10	2667.88
ГО	ΓAL	6013.74	6083.66	6288.94	6387.90	5891.38	30665.62

Annexure-IV

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2660 for answer on 11.08.2021 by Shri Partap Singh Bajwa, Hon'ble M.P. regarding Individuals registered under EPS.

Jui	tate-wise details of funds released under EPS since the year 2017-18 till June, 2021 (Rs. in Crore								
SI. No.	State Name	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (April-June, 2021)	TOTAL		
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	4.67	5.01	5.96	5.52	1.22	22.38		
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	433.04	485.85	512.94	517.91	128.02	2077.76		
3	BIHAR	272.15	300.89	304.06	304.82	72.74	1254.66		
4	CHANDIGARH	69.30	144.34	109.91	104.04	26.35	453.94		
5	CHHATTISGARH	143.60	163.22	170.16	182.82	44.02	703.82		
6	DELHI	240.90	306.99	306.74	325.10	78.80	1258.53		
7	GOA	37.88	44.04	44.30	49.61	12.31	188.14		
8	GUJARAT	641.08	679.02	712.93	792.32	195.33	3020.68		
9	HARYANA	226.45	262.47	288.31	285.07	72.21	1134.51		
10	HIMACHAL PRADESH	70.11	71.91	70.63	82.39	21.15	316.19		
11	JHARKHAND	240.34	244.04	250.40	268.33	65.33	1068.44		
12	KARNATAKA	766.25	837.71	873.46	939.13	219.29	3635.84		
13	KERALA	657.22	737.26	851.21	941.52	197.20	3384.41		
14	MADHYA PRADESH	301.98	389.50	350.27	367.71	86.72	1496.18		
15	MAHARASHTRA	1799.05	1891.36	2010.84	2108.31	526.60	8336.16		
16	NORTH EASTERN REGION	119.52	130.31	133.53	143.98	36.69	564.03		
17	ODISHA	265.39	300.71	343.20	333.92	83.11	1326.33		
18	PUNJAB	163.06	243.18	237.24	229.26	58.32	931.06		
19	RAJASTHAN	225.64	302.51	306.80	319.12	78.47	1232.54		
20	TAMIL NADU	1032.19	1129.86	1182.53	1280.31	310.67	4935.56		
21	TELANGANA	478.23	563.22	558.24	592.46	143.76	2335.91		
22	UTTAR PRADESH	769.15	804.21	827.79	875.33	213.35	3489.83		
23	UTTARAKHAND	96.30	112.65	113.74	123.69	30.60	476.98		
24	WEST BENGAL	919.28	920.62	994.42	999.88	247.83	4082.03		
	TOTAL	9972.78	11070.88	11559.61	12172.55	2950.09	47725.91		

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2663 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

SUSPENSION OF LABOUR LAWS BY STATES

2663 # SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether it is a fact that few States of the country have temporarily suspended the labour laws in the last two years;
- (b)if so, the States which have taken this step along with the reasons therefor;
- (c)the impact of suspension of labour laws on the industry and employees till date; and
- (d)whether the public has protested against the suspension of these labour laws?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a): The subject of 'labour' is in the Concurrent list of the Constitution of India where both the Central and State Governments are competent to enact legislation subject to certain matters being reserved for the Centre. The State Governments are required to refer the proposal to the Central Government for effecting any change in the existing Central Labour Laws enacted by the Parliament. Ministry of Labour and Employment has not given concurrence to suspend any Central Labour Laws during the last two years.

(b) to (d): In view of above, does not arise.

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2679 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.08.2021

UNCLAIMED FUNDS IN EPFO

2679. SHRI K.R. SURESH REDDY:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

(a)whether it is fact that most of retired employees from Central, State Governments and private organisations are getting around ₹ 1,000 to ₹ 1,500 pension per month under EPF- 95 scheme;

(b)if so, the details thereof; and

(c)the quantum of unclaimed funds in the EPFO and how Government is planning to utilise this unclaimed fund?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) & (b): Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 is a 'Defined Contribution-Defined Benefit' Social Security Scheme. There is a pooled account for providing pension under EPS consisting of (i) contribution by the employer @ 8.33 per cent of wages and (ii) contribution from Central Government through budgetary support @ 1.16 per cent of wages, up to an amount of Rs.15,000/- per month. Amount of member's pension under EPS, 95 is determined taking into account the pensionable period of service and pensionable salary as per following formula:

Pensionable Service X Pensionable Salary 70

However, the Government, for the first time, provided a minimum pension of Rs. 1000 per month to the pensioners under EPS, 1995 from 01.09.2014 by providing additional budgetary support.

(c): As per paragraph 72(6) of the Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) Scheme, 1952, certain accounts are classified as 'Inoperative Accounts' and such accounts, have definite claimants. As on 31.03.2021, amount lying in these inoperative accounts was Rs. 3930.85 crore (unaudited).

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