GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 372 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2018

MEDICAL BENEFIT TO EPF MEMBERS

†372. SHRI BHARAT SINGH:

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

- (a)whether the Government is proposing a scheme or likely to formulate a scheme to provide medical benefits to the employees covered under Employees' Provident Fund;
- (b)if so, the details thereof;
- (c)the total number of workers attached with Employees' Provident Fund Organisation along with the number of workers out of them getting ESI facilities in the country, State/UT-wise; and
- (d)whether the Government has formulated/proposes to formulate any policy to provide ESI facilities to all the EPFO attached workers and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): A pilot scheme to extend medical benefits to Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 pensioners through Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) hospitals is under examination of the Government.

(c): The details of total number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts are at Annex. Data in respect of Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) members getting ESIC facilities is not maintained by EPFO.

(d): No, Madam. At present, no such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

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Statement referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 372 for 05.02.2018 raised by Shri Bharat Singh regarding Medical Benefit to EPF Members.

Number of Accounts in Employees' Provident Fund – State/UT-Wise as on 31-03- 2017			
STATE/UT	Un-exempted	Exempted	Total
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	34932	1	34933
ANDHRA PRADESH	3678246	77033	3755279
ASSAM INCLUDING ARUNACHAL PRADESH, MANIPUR, MIZORAM, NAGALAND, SIKKIM, TRIPURA & MEGHALAYA.	919952	25241	945193
BIHAR	1210808	24901	1235709
CHANDIGARH	3141712	18618	3160330
CHHATTISGARH	1497119	50004	1547123
DELHI	14887564	659142	15546706
GOA	1303786	12919	1316705
GUJARAT INCLUDING DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI & DAMAN & DIU.	14965561	294498	15260059
HARYANA	13675494	366092	14041586
HIMACHAL PRADESH	1328323	34181	1362504
JHARKHAND	1782764	215173	1997937
KARNATAKA	20172762	2324623	22497385
KERALA INCLUDING LAKSHADWEEP	2930697	42991	2973688
MADHYA PRADESH	4315997	87754	4403751
MAHARASHTRA	35830640	2586446	38417086
ODISHA	2842554	82898	2925452
PUNJAB	2987623	63720	3051343
RAJASTHAN	4739045	184445	4923490
TAMIL NADU INCLUDING PUDUCHERRY	23056290	596799	23653089
TELANGANA	10193992	498239	10692231
UTTAR PRADESH	8078977	270237	8349214
UTTRAKHAND	2637513	77271	2714784
WEST BENGAL	7923925	662358	8586283
TOTAL	184136276	9255584	193391860