GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 363 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2023

ENROLMENT UNDER PM-SYM SCHEME

*363. SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI:

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

- (a)whether it is true that the enrolment drive under the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM) Scheme was adversely affected due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resultant lockdowns;
- (b)if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to increase the enrolment in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- (c)whether the Government is undertaking periodic inspections and audits of the implementing agencies under the PM-SYM scheme; and
- (d)if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

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

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *363 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2023 RAISED BY SHRIMATI GODDETI MADHAVI REGARDING ENROLMENT UNDER PM-SYM SCHEME.

(a) to (d): The enrolment count in the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM) Scheme in the year 2018-19 was 27.43 lakh, in the year 2019-20 was 16.11 lakh, in the year 2020-21 was 1.72 lakh, in the year 2021-22 was 1.28 lakh and in the year 2022-23 it was 2.71 lakhs. The total enrolment in the scheme as on date is approximately 49.28 lakhs.

To increase the enrolment in the PMSYM government has organised mega enrolment camps. Further, to make the scheme more attractive, Donate-a-Pension Module was launched. Besides, the Ministry is holding periodic review meeting with Labour Department officers of States/UTs District Administration. Review meetings are convened from time to time with Common Service Centers (CSCs) State heads and LIC to encourage them to mobilize the eligible beneficiaries. Extensive social media campaign has been launched through social media handles of the Ministry. Funds were released to States/ UTs to undertake Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities to mobilize the workers and to encourage them to register under this scheme. IEC materials such as Pamphlets, Backdrops, creatives for standee and Video documentaries (in local language) was also sent to States.

Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has conducted Configuration Audit and Vulnerability Assessment (CA VA) Audit on 12.12.2022. LIC internal Audit / Inspection departments are also periodically reviewing the working of the Scheme.
