

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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1178  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.09.2020**

**PRADHAN MANTRI SHRAM YOGI MAANDHAN SCHEME**

**1178. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:  
SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:  
SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:  
SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:**

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

- (a) the number of labour and workers in the unorganized sector who have benefitted from Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan scheme (PM-SYM) since its inception along with the amount allocated for the scheme till date;**
- (b) whether the Government is also depositing equal matching share in the pension account of the workers every month under the scheme and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether there is steep decline in the average monthly enrollment of PM-SYM and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;**
- (d) whether unorganized workers are not keen on old-age pension scheme and if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government to increase monthly enrollment of PM-SYM and make the scheme popular among unorganized workers; and**
- (e) the estimated number of salaried employees who have lost their jobs due to COVID-19 pandemic?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (e): For old age protection in the form of monthly pension, Ministry of Labour & Employment has launched Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan Yojana which is a voluntary and contributory pension scheme for providing monthly minimum assured pension of Rs. 3,000/- after the age of 60 years.**

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**The unorganised workers in the age group of 18-40 years whose monthly income is Rs.15,000/- or less and not a member of EPFO/ESIC/NPS (Government funded) are eligible to join the scheme. So far, over 44.46 Lakh beneficiaries have been enrolled. Total fund allocated since inception is given below:**

<b>(Rs. in Crore)</b>	
<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Allocation</b>
<b>2018-19</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>2019-20</b>	<b>408</b>
<b>2020-21</b>	<b>500</b>

**The Central Government's equal matching share of contribution to the tune of Rs 417.37 crore, is deposited in the Pension Fund maintained by LIC. A number of measures are being taken to popularise the scheme. More than one crore migrant workers had returned to their home states during COVID-19 related lockdown but many of them have already returned to their work-place in the destination states during unlock process.**

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