

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2324
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2022)

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONERS

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

- (a) the estimated number of retired persons availing Central Government pension in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to utilize doorstep services of postal department for submission of Digital Life Certificate (DLC) through postman in order to ease the process;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented?

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): As per database maintained by Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Controller General of Defence Accounts, Ministry of Railways, Department of Telecommunications, Department of Post, the estimated number of retired persons availing Central Government pension is at Annexure-I.

(b) to (d): With a view to make Doorstep Services for submission of Life Certificate available to all pensioners across the country and to ease the process, the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare roped in the India Posts and Payment Bank (IPPB) under the Department of Posts for Digital Life Certificate. The IPPB has started Doorstep Service of obtaining Life Certificate in November, 2020 through its network of Postmen & Gramin Dak Sevak.

Annexure: I

The approximate number of Central Government Pensioners as on 31/03/2021 is as follows:

S.No.	Pensioner/Family Pensioner	Number of Pensioners including Family Pensioners
A.	Pensioners (incl Family Pensioners) of all Ministries/Departments under the Accounting jurisdiction of Controller General of Account, M/O Finance. (Central Pension Accounting Office (CPAO), Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance is responsible for maintaining the pensioners' data and incurring expenditure on payment of pension/family pension. Civil Ministries include all the CAPFs viz. BSF, CRPF, Assam Rifles, SSB, CISF, ITBP under MHA as well.)	11,06,000 (3,50,000)
B.	Defence Pensioners (incl Family Pensioners) (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA), Ministry of Defence.	34,10,567 (9,36,192)
C.	Railway Pensioners (incl Family Pensioners) (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Ministry of Railways)	15,54,585 (6,59,483)
D.	Telecom Pensioners (incl Family Pensioners) (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Department of Telecommunication)	4,67,751 (1,16,000)
E.	Postal Pensioners (incl Family Pensioners) (The data and accounts etc. of these pensioners are maintained by Department of Posts)	3,23,562 (99,133)
	GRAND TOTAL OF PENSIONERS(incl Family Pensioners)	68,62,465
	GRAND TOTAL OF FAMILY PENSIONERS ONLY	21,60,808

* As per the data received from the CPAO, Defence, Railways, Telecom & Posts.