# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1198 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2025

#### **DELAY IN DISBURSEMENT OF HIGHER WAGE PENSIONS**

### 1198. SHRI M K RAGHAVAN:

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

- (a)whether the Government has noticed undue delay in release of higher wage pensions to the employees under EPFO Regional Office, Kozhikode;
- (b)if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken note of shortage of staff in EPFO Regional Office, Kozhikode, affecting its ability to handle the workload; and
- (d)if so, the details thereof including the steps taken by the Government to resolve the issue?

#### **ANSWER**

## MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) to (d): EPFO received a total no. of 10,807 applications in regional office Kozhikode for pension on higher wages out of which 90.7% of the applications have been already disposed of.

Further, PPOs for pension on higher wages have been issued to more than 80% of the already retired 725 eligible applicants who have completed all the formalities.

In order to ensure prompt disposal of applications for pension on higher wages, directions and clarifications for engagement/provision of additional manpower have been issued from time-to-time to regional offices under EPFO.

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