

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 224
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2025**

PF PENSIONS ON HIGHER WAGES

224. ADV. ADOOR PRAKASH:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the large number of applications for Provident Fund (PF) pension on higher wages have been rejected by the Employees' Provident Fund Organization;**
- (b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the details of the number of such applications received and pension granted, rejected and pending as on date State/UT-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to take immediate measures to process the pending applications without any delay; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): EPFO has processed and disposed off applications for pension on higher wages as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgement dated 04.11.2022. As on 16.07.2025, more than 98.5% applications have been disposed off by EPFO.

The detailed status on the applications for grant of Pension on Higher wages, is at Annexure.

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question no. 224 for 21.07.2025.

Zone Wise disposal of PoHW Applications as on 16.07.2025				
Zonal Office	Total No. of Applications Received in Field Offices	No. of Demand letters issued to applicants eligible for PoHW	No. of Rejected Applications	No. of Pending Applications
ANDHRA PRADESH (VIJAYWADA)	56,799	25,964	30,093	742
BENGALURU (BENGALURU)	1,09,305	10,136	98,915	254
BIHAR & JHARKHAND(PATNA)	29,943	8,713	20,876	354
CHENNAI & PUDUCHERRY (CHENNAI)	72,040	7,622	63,026	1,392
DELHI, UTTARAKHAND & JAMMU	95,418	28,939	63,602	2,877
GUJARAT (AHMEDABAD)	96,846	4,799	91,965	82
HARYANA	31,738	12,880	18,853	5
KARNATAKA (OTHER THAN BENGALURU) & GOA (HUBLI)	91,699	11,623	79,363	713
KERALA & LAKSHADWEEP (THIRUVANANTHAPURAM)	81,662	43,176	36,178	2,308
MADHYA PRADESH & CHATTISGARH (BHOPAL)	67,605	19,125	47,507	973
MAHARASHTRA(EXCLUDING MUMBAI)(PUNE)	1,26,305	6,113	1,19,382	810
MUMBAI-1 (BANDRA)	1,26,441	5,842	1,19,957	642
MUMBAI-2 (THANE)	28,984	4,182	23,707	1,095
NORTH-EASTERN REGION (GUWAHATI)	10,927	6,653	4,269	5
ORISSA (BHUBANESWAR)	49,234	20,180	26,503	2,551
PUNJAB & HIMACHAL PRADESH	44,946	26,558	14,991	3,397
RAJASTHAN	38,785	8,251	30,500	34
TAMIL NADU(EXCLUDING CHENNAI)	77,106	17,747	59,181	178
TELANGANA (HYDERABAD)	1,65,335	83,733	78,902	2,700
UTTAR PRADESH	65,179	19,120	45,948	111
WB, A&N ISLANDS & SIKKIM (KOLKATA)	57,853	29,217	27,864	772
Total	15,24,150	4,00,573	11,01,582	21,995
