GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4046

TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.08.2025

PM-SYM AND PENSION SCHEMES

†4046. DR. RAJESH MISHRA:

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

- (a)the total number of beneficiaries registered under the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi MaanDhan (PM-SYM) Yojana;
- (b)whether the Government proposes to launch a separate pension scheme for the gig and platform workers and if so, the details thereof;
- (c)whether the Government proposes to launch any Universal Pension Scheme that allows citizens to contribute voluntarily and receive pension benefits after their retirement and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d)whether the Government proposes to integrate the existing pension schemes, like PM-SYM and the National Pension Scheme meant for Traders and Self-employed Persons NPS— Traders and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a)to (d): The number of beneficiaries enrolled under the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan (PM-SYM) scheme are 51,36,578 (including bulk registration of 5,06,603 beneficiaries) as on 10.07.2025.

For the first time, the definitions of 'gig workers' and 'platform workers' and provisions related to the same have been provided in the Code on Social Security, 2020 which has been enacted by the Parliament.

The Code for framing of suitable security measures for gig workers and platform workers on matters relating to life and disability cover, accident insurance, health and maternity benefits, old age protection, etc.

Till date, there is no such proposal to integrate the existing pension schemes PM-SYM and the National Pension Scheme meant for Traders and Self-employed Persons that has been mooted.
