

based model. Government will pay back the private partner for the investments made by him in the Information Technology (IT) and Non-IT components. The total cost of the project is estimated at around Rs.2167 crore. The project period is 22 months from the date of approval. State-wise funds have not been allotted so far.

#### **Modernisation project of EPFO**

4409. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total cost of modernisation project of EPFO;
- (b) the scheduled date of completion;
- (c) the present status of its implementation; and
- (d) how many EPFO offices have so far been modernized?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) A budgetary estimate of Rs. 96 crore has been approved by the Central Board of Trustees, Employees' Provident Fund (CBT, EPF) for the implementation of the first phase of the 'Modernisation Project' of the Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) being implemented with the collaboration of the National Informatics Centre (NIC).

(b) to (d) The first phase of the 'Modernisation Project' has been implemented in 28 offices of EPFO as on 31.03.2010. It is planned to implement it in the remaining 92 offices of EPFO in the current financial year i.e. 2010-11.

#### **Bonded labourers**

4410. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of bonded labourers in the country; and
- (b) the State-wise number of labourers who have been rehabilitated so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) and (b) The number of bonded labourers identified, released and rehabilitated under the Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme up to 31.03.2010 is as under:

| Name of the State | Number of Bonded Labourers Identified and Released | Rehabilitated   |
|-------------------|--|-----------------|
| Andhra Pradesh    | 37,988   | 31,534          |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 3,526  | 2,992           |
| Bihar             | 14,615   | 13,797          |
| Chhattisgarh      | 124  | 124             |
| Gujarat           | 64   | 64              |
| Haryana           | 591  | 89              |
| Jharkhand         | 196  | 196             |
| Karnataka         | 63,437   | 57,185          |
| Kerala            | 823  | 710             |
| Madhya Pradesh    | 13,317   | 12,392          |
| Maharashtra       | 1,404  | 1,325           |
| Orissa            | 50,029   | 46,901          |
| Punjab            | 69   | 69              |
| Rajasthan         | 7,488  | 6,331           |
| Tamil Nadu        | 65,573   | 65,573          |
| Uttar Pradesh     | 28,946   | 28,946          |
| Uttaranchal       | 5  | 5               |
| West Bengal       | 267  | 267             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>2,88,462 *</b>                                  | <b>2,68,500</b> |

\* 19962 Bonded Labourers are not available for rehabilitation either they have died or left the place without leaving their addresses.

#### **ESIC hospitals in the country**

4411. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many ESIC hospitals are there in the country and the details of the annual enrolments in such hospitals for the last three years;

(b) whether Government has any plan to set up more ESIC hospitals, if so, the details thereof;