

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3299
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.03.2022**

NATIONAL PENSION SCHEME FOR TRADERS

3299. SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of enrollment under the National Pension Scheme for Traders during the last two years;**
- (b) whether Government intended the target of 3 crore beneficiaries by 2023-24 under the National Pension Scheme for Traders for the benefit of small and marginal traders, shopkeepers and self-employed persons;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to achieve this target?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a): The number of enrolment under the National Pension Scheme for Traders, small shopkeepers and self-employment persons during the last two years is as under;

Year	No. of enrollment
2019-20	37601
2020-21	6146

(b) to (d): Yes, Sir. Government is intended to target 3 crore beneficiaries by 2023-24 under the National Pension Scheme for Traders, small shopkeepers and self-employed persons. The Government is mobilizing eligible beneficiaries through State Government machinery and CSC-VLEs in order to achieve the target. Besides this, Government has also launched extensive social media campaign to mobilise the targeted beneficiaries. The scheme is voluntary.
