

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1224
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST AUGUST, 2024**

UTILIZATION OF UNCLAIMED FUNDS LYING WITH EPFO

1224. DR. BHIM SINGH:

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries of Atmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana, the details thereof, State-wise;**
- (b) the amount allocated and disbursed under the Scheme;**
- (c) the details of unclaimed deposits of various categories lying with the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation; and**
- (d) whether Government proposes to utilize such unclaimed funds for public welfare, if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) was launched with effect from 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic. The terminal date for registration of beneficiaries was 31.03.2022. The beneficiaries registered upto 31.03.2022 continued to receive the benefits for 2 years from the date of registration under the scheme. State-wise details of number of beneficiaries under ABRY is at Annexure.

As on 31.03.2024, an amount of Rs. 10,188.50 crore has been disbursed to 60.49 lakh beneficiaries.

(c) & (d): There are no unclaimed accounts in Employees' Provident Fund (EPF). However, as per para 72(6) of the Employees' Provident Fund Scheme, 1952, certain accounts are classified as: Inoperative accounts. All such inoperative accounts have definite claimants and whenever such a member prefers a claim in EPFO, the same is settled after scrutiny.

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) to (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1224 due for reply on 01.08.2024

Details of ABRY Beneficiaries (As on 31.03.2024)

State/UT	Number of Beneficiary Employees
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	479
ANDHRA PRADESH	166930
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	514
ASSAM	19918
BIHAR	28576
CHANDIGARH	13474
CHHATTISGARH	85105
DELHI	227076
GOA	20948
GUJARAT	591126
HARYANA	400760
HIMACHAL PRADESH	83382
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	19384
JHARKHAND	62776
KARNATAKA	485462
KERALA	96343
LADAKH	190
LAKSHADWEEP	9
MADHYA PRADESH	205901
MAHARASHTRA	978836
MANIPUR	1698
MEGHALAYA	1224
MIZORAM	377
NAGALAND	226
ODISHA	89360
PUDUCHERRY	14746
PUNJAB	222363
RAJASTHAN	326998
SIKKIM	4008
TAMIL NADU	804738
TELANGANA	283362
THE DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	52911
TRIPURA	5440
UTTAR PRADESH	433724
UTTARAKHAND	93521
WEST BENGAL	227402
Grand Total	6049287

Source: EPFO, MoLE