

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding problems of EPF pensioners-laid.

**SHRI S. R. PARTHIBAN (SALEM):** In Tamil Nadu, there are 7 lakh EPF pensioners. Their pension amount is Rs.300 to 2500 per month. More than half of them getting Rs.300 to 1000. Since 1995 there is no change in the pension amount. For a quarter of a century, they struggled. Central Government did not implement the announcement of Rs.1000 to be given to the lower level pensioners and the recommendation of the 'Koshiyari Committee" i.e. Rs.3000/. To respect our senior citizens, I request the Minister of Personnel, Public Grievances & pensions through you to pay the pension amount according to the cost hike, Free Medical facility, 5% pension hike since 2001 and commutation amount with penalty and interest.