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Title: Request to increase the amount of minimum pension of workers amount from Rs. 1000 to 3000 per month from Employess Provident (EP) Fund.

SHRI VE. VAITHILINGAM (PUDUCHERRY): Hon. Chairman, Sir, thousands of workers are getting only Rs. 1,000 per month as minimum pension from the EP Fund. Workers are not able to live with this small amount. They are not able to get proper food. Their medical expenses have increased because of the age factor. Due to the age factor they are not able to earn more money. There is no other way for them to get proper food and medical facilities.

At the same time, I want to say that we are not giving them any free money. Their hard-earned money is with us as deposits. There is no difficulty for us to give them more money for meeting their requirements.

So, I humbly request our hon. Minister to increase the minimum pension amount from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 3,000 per month.