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Title: Need to open a sub-regional EPF office at Hosur for the benefit of two lakh industrial workers.

SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR (KRISHNAGIRI): Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the industrial town of Hosur in my Krishnagiri constituency consists of 1,000 industries comprising of large, medium, small and tiny industries. Most of the units of Hosur Industrial Area are covered under the EPF Act. One lakh and fifty thousand employees are the members of EPF at present. They are receiving their social security benefits such as Provident Fund, Member Pension, Widow Pension, Children Pension and Group Insurance from the Regional EPFO, Salem which is 164 kilometres away from Hosur.

The employees working in Hosur Industrial Area have been demanding for the opening of a Sub-Regional Office at Hosur for a long time. The regional Committee of EPFO, Tamil Nadu had also recommended to the Central Board of Trustees of EPFO during 1999 for opening of EPF Office at Hosur.

Sir, I request the hon. Minister to open a Sub-Regional EPF Office at Hosur for the benefit of two lakh industrial workers.

Thank you.