Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 applies on its own vigour. All the Establishments including aided educational institutions of Chandigarh employing 20 or more persons are required to deposit provident fund with the EPF authorities. If they default in payment of provident fund, they are liable for legal and penal action as provided under the Act. The EPF Scheme is of compulsory nature. Exemption from the EPF Scheme is generally considered if the employees of the establishments are in receipt of similar/superior PF related benefits. Any application for exemption as and when received from the aided educational institutions of Chandigarh will be processed accordingly.

### Import of Edible Oil

5428. SHRI P.C. CHACKO : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether import of edible oil is being permitted in the recent Budget at a reduced rate of import duty;

(b) if so, whether it lead to steep fall of prices of coconut which is the main stay of economy of Kerala; and

(c) if so, the steps the Government propose to take for maintaining the economic price of coconut and coconut oil ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) There has not been steep fall in the prices of coconut since the Budget for 1996-97 was announced on 25th July, 1996. In fact, the prices of coconut have been showing an upward trend at selected centres in Kerala. The Government has already taken the following steps to maintain the prices of coconut and coconut oil :--

- (i) Coconut oil is not permitted for import under OGL.
- (ii) Use of coconut oil in manufacture of vanaspati is allowed.
- (iii) The Government has also requested the State Governments/UT Administrations to popularise the use of coconut oil as cooking medium in respective States/UTs.
- (iv) Copra is covered under Support-Price Operation.

### Salaries to Imams and Moujars

5429. SHRI K.S. RAYADU : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to pay the salaries to Imams and Moujars of Masjids, which are without assets;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

[Translation]

### Financial Assistance to Voluntary Organisations

5430. SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VARMA : SHRI ASHOK ARGAL :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the amount of financial assistance provided to each voluntary organisation/institution to check the use of drugs in Uttar Pradesh during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the Union Government have examined the results thereof;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) List is given in the attached Statement.

(b) to (e) The information with regard to drug addicts during the last three years for treatment in the various drug addicts/Counselling Centres in different parts in Uttar Pradesh, financially assisted by this Ministry under the scheme for Prohibition and Drug Abuse prevention are as under :

Year	Drug addicts Registered	Drug addicts Detoxified
1993-94	37,398	14,966
1994-95	40,343	20,145
1995-96	53,442	23,006

The Ministry evaluates the performance of the Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) before release of instalments of grants-in-aid for the programme.

## STATEMENT

# LIST OF ORGANISATIONS BEING FUNDED FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS BY THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE

					(Rs in lakhs
Name of the Organisation	Place	Purpose	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Akhil Bhartiya Samaj Kalyan Partishthan, Deoria. Sewa Puri, Khanpur Rd.	Deoria	CC		0.66	1.28*
Ambedkar Shiksha Samiti, 563 Ka/58 Shyam Nagar, Alambagh, Lucknow-226005	Lucknow	DC	7.10	. 6. <b>97</b>	3.28*
Archna Mahila Mandal Kalyan Samiti, Abahipur, P.O. Bhanmau, Barabanki	Barabanki	CC		0.87	2.56
Association for Social Health in India, State Branch, Rani Hotel Building, Begam Bridge, Meerut–250001	Meerut	сс	3.17	2.48	1.30
Bhartiya Samaj Sewa Sansthan, Bharat Khana. Mishai-ke-Bagh Chowk, Lucknow	Lucknow	СС	2.47	2.60	1.33
Bijnor Sewa Sansthan, Bijnor, Mandawali, Sadu, Distt. Bijnore	Bijnore	CC	_	0.87	1.28
Dr Bheem Rao Ambedkar Shiksha Niketan, Vill. Panchrvkhan, Mangripatti–233 307 Ghazipur	Ghazipur	СС	-	1.52	1.07
Bodhi Satwa Baba Sahib Dr. Ambedkar Smarak Samiti, 68/363. Chitwapur, Pajawa. Lucknow	Lucknow	CC (1) DC (1)	4.96	14.54	9.24
Gram Vikas Sewa Sansthan. 20-B/4A/1, Allapur. Allahabad–211_006	Allahabad	CC (1)	10.15	7.56	9.16
Grameen Vishal Jon Sewa Sansthan, P.O. Badra Siddharth Nagar	Siddharth Nagar	сс	_	0.66	0.74
Adrash Janta Shiksha Samithi, Piri Karchana, Allahabad	APahabeet	DC	7.38	6.97	3.26
Akhil Bhartiya <b>Az</b> ad Sewa Sansthan, Azad Villa, Daligunj Lucknow - 20	Lucknow	00	1.24	3.83	1.36

\* Since closed.

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Akhil Bhartiya Mahila Udhyog Kalyan & Shiksha Samiti, Gaziabad Sec-30, Noida-201301	Noida	CC		1.52	1.28
Grammiya Vikas Samiti, Khandauli Rd. Baldeo, Mathura—281 301	Mathura	CC		0.66	2.56
Gramothan Jan Sewa Sansthan, Jafrabad, Jaunpur	Jaunpur	СС	-	1.52	2.56
Hasrat Mohani Charitable Society, 88/441-Humayun Bagh, Kanpur	Kanpur	CC	-	0.87	2.78
Indian Red Cross Society Distt. Branch 53, Bahadurganj, Allahabad (U.P.)	Allahabad	CC	2.53	2.66	2.67
Kanchahn Lal Sauguna Seva Sansthan, Vill P.O. Para Kanduar, Kuraha, Distt. Hamirpur	Hamirpur	СС	0.46	2.41	2.51
Kashi Club, Ganges Bhavan, 8 A Ravindrapuri, Varanasi–221 005	Varanasi Ghazipur	DC (1) CC (1)	7.40	6.98	7.57
Shri Kanchilal Shastri Smarak Sansthan, C-49, Kayanpur, Kanpur	Kanpur	СС	1.16	2.21	1.38
Khandwai Devi Shikshan Samiti, Chehniya, Janpath Varanasi	Varanasi	CC		0.87	1.28
Maya Purbachal Gramothan Sewa Sansthan, Near Dainik Jagran Press, Civil Lines, Gorakhpur	Gorakhpur	CC	_	1.53	_
Medical Advisor Association, 211/JI, Kidwai Nagar, Kanpur	Kanpur	DC	11.08	_	_
National Institute of Social Welfare, 5/13/43-B, Behind Gurdwara, Khawaspuna, Faizabad	Faizabad	СС	_	0.66	1.07
Netaji Subhash Vidya Mandir, Mangoli. Shahabad, Rampur	Rampur	CC	2.53	2.55	2.54
New Public School Samiti, 504/63. Tagore Marg. Lucknow	UNNAO	DC	1.96	2.33	1.28

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
NIRVAN D-2239, Jimalayn Rd, Indira Nagar, Lucknow-226016	Haldwani	DC	1.21	7.06	3.14
Pratapgarh Mahila Kalyan Evam Shiksha Samiti, Pratapgarh, Deokali, Pratapgarh	Pratapgarh	CC	_	0.87	<b>2</b> .5ê
Prerna Samiti, C-390, Rajaji Puram, Lucknow-226017	Lucknow	CC	_	0.68	2.32
Puttoolal Memorial Montessori & Jr. High School, Narainpur, Farukhabad	Farukhabad	СС		0.87	1.28
Shri Ram Babu Verma Chari- table Society, 4/6, Bagh Farzana. Civil Lines, Agra-282 002	Agra Agra	CC DC	10.92	11.95	4.30
Rana Beni Madhav Jan Kalyan Samiti, Rai Bareily-229 001	Rai Bareilly	CC	2.11	2.44	2.56
Ratna Gram Vikas Samiti Gram Jehiopur, P.O. Shahabad, Rampur	Rampur	СС	-	0.87	2 35
Saket Mahila Mandal Kalyan Samiti, Muthiganj, Nawabganj (P.O.) Ghonda	Gonda	CC	_	0.87	2.56
Samajik Avam Arthik Vikas Sansthan, C-2116, Indira Nagar, Lucknow	Lucknow	DC	3.52	10.52	3.27
Sarai Nahar Khan Oghotogic Samiti, Badaun, P.O. Sanaj Nahan Khan, Dist. Badaun-243601	Badaun	CC	_	0.66	1.28
Sarvajanik Shikshan Samiti, Puran Nagar 5651/130 Alam Bagh, Lucknow	Lucknow	CC	1.26	2.62	1.39
Sarvodaya Gram Evam Mahila Vikas Sansthan, Milak P.O. Distt. Rampur	Rampur	CC	1.09	2.44	1.28
Sarvajanik Shiksoneyan Allipur, Hardoi (U.P.)	Hardoi Hardoi	DC CC	9.92		18.00
Shakti Sadhana Sansthan, Taranipur, Sitapur–261001	Sitapur	CC	1.43	3.44	1.28
Shaheed Memorial Society, E-1690, Rajaji Puram, P.O. Distt. Lucknow-226017	Hamirpur Lucknow Kanpur	CC (1) DC (2)	12.77	8.40	8.20

(1)	· (2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Sheel Gram Vikas Sansthan Harungla, Bareilly.	Bareilly	CC		0.66	1.07
Shri Ganga Prasad Samarak Mahila Kalyan Sansthan. Kunda, Pratapgarh	Pratapgarh (Kunda)	СС	_	0.87	1.28
Society for the Urban and Rural Development, vill. Kulhanamau, P.O. Kalichabad. Distt. Jaunpur	Jaunpur	DC		1.94	6.29
Society for the Urban & Rural Reconstruction U.P. B-27 Avas Vikas, Mal Avenue, Lucknow	Lucknow	CC	1.07	3.26	3.08
Swargiya Ram Deo Singh Swaantrate Sangram Senani Nirashri Dalit Pichhra Verg Mahila Sansthan, Basti	Basti	CC	1.28	2.50	1.28
Uttarakhand Shoshit Mahila Sansthan, Dehradun	Dehradun	CC		0.87	1 28

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## Ambeakar Villages in Uttar Pradesh

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5431. SHRI T. GOPAL KRISHNA : SHRI MANGAL RAM PREMI : SHRI RAMSAGAR :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Ambedkar villages in Uttar Pradesh district-wise and the villages which have hospitals and schools;

(b) the number of villages have been electrified alongwith the villages where the potable drinking water has been provided;

(c) the number of villages which have been connected with roads; and

(d) the time by which the remaining villages will also be provided the similar facilities ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) to (d) Information is being obtained and will be placed on the Table of the House.

## Learning Disabilities

5432. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIYA : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that specific learning disabilities are not included in the Disabilities Act;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to bring some changes in the Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHR! BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Only severe and moderate categories of mental handicap was considered to be included in the Disabilities Act.

(c) and (d) Nc, Sir.

#### Child Labour

5433. SHRI SYDAIAH KOTA : SHRI T. GOPAL KRISHNA :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether the child workers have submitted a memorandum to the Prime Minister on August 13, 1996;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon ?