

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2169
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HOUSING LOANS TO BEEDI WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any provision to provide housing loan from the EPF under the New Housing Policy for Beedi Workers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the criteria laid down in this regard; and
- (c) the rate of interest likely to be charged for such loans?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN)

(a) to (c): The Central Board of Trustees, EPF which is a tripartite body, at its 158th meeting held on 22.10.2002 has, in principle, approved launching of a housing scheme for EPF subscribers. However, no specific proposal is being considered to provide housing loan to beedi workers.