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LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to enhance the pension under Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has constituted a Committee to look into various issues including enhancement of pension pertaining to EPS, 1995;
- (c) if so, the recommendations made by the Committee and the action taken by the Government thereon;
- (d) whether the Government has received any representations/ suggestions/complaints from various stakeholders/unions/pensioners in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (c): The Central Government has constituted an Expert Committee to review the Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995, whose report is to be submitted to the Government.

(d) & (e): The main suggestions/representations/complaints received on Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995 primarily cover the following:

¼ Increase in minimum pension.

¼ Increase of rate of contribution of employers and Government towards Employees' Pension Scheme, 1995.

¼ Grant of Additional Relief regularly.

¼ Increase in the maximum salary limit.

¼ Pension at par with Central Government.

¼ Restoration of provisions of Commutation and Return of Capital.

¼ DA to pensioners linked with cost of index.

The suggestions are placed before the Expert Committee for necessary consideration and recommendation.