

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government is considering to put the additional interest rate, from the surplus EPF amount in the interest suspense account;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the increased interest rate will cost the EPFO an additional Rs. 1700 crore;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Central Board of Trustees, Employees' Provident Fund in its 190th meeting held on 15.09.2010 has recommended 9.5% rate of interest for Employees' Provident Fund subscribers for the financial year 2010-11 by utilizing the surplus amount available in the Interest Suspense Account.
- (c) & (d): The increased interest rate will increase the liability of interest to the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation and an additional Rs. 1,700 crore (approximate) shall be paid/credited to the members accounts for the year 2010-11.