

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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PENSION SCHEME FOR INDIAN WORKERS
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Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched any pension scheme for Indians working in foreign countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the number of workers benefited by this scheme since its inception?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Launched on a pilot basis, the objective of the Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Suraksh Yojana is to encourage and enable overseas Indian workers having Emigration Check Required (ECR) passports going to ECR countries, to (a) save for their return and resettlement, (b) save for their pension and (c) get a life Insurance cover against natural death.

(C) The Scheme is being implemented on a pilot basis and 150 subscribers have been enrolled till date.