

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1650
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ESIC PAHCHAN CARD
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Pahchan Cards that have been distributed by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) during the current year, State-wise along with the target earmarked for the said year;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposals to distribute biometric card under Employees' Provident Fund Organisation as well;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH)

- (a): The Employees' State Insurance Corporation has issued Pehchan Cards to 11,83,698 Insured Persons during the year 2013-14 (up to November, 2013) against the target of 15 lakh. State-wise details are annexed.
- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Does not arise in view of reply to part (b) of the Question.
- (d): Service delivery of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation is not linked to biometric authentication of the member as of now.