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Title: Need to open a sub regional office of Employees Fund Organisation in Viziyanagaram district of Andhra Pradesh.

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SHRIMATI BOTCHA JHANSI LAKSHMI (VIZIANAGARAM): Sir, I would like to make a request to open a Sub Regional Office of Employees Provident Fund Organisation at Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh. Sir, the Sub-Regional Office, Visakhapatnam is catering to the needs of more than 4.11 lakh provident fund subscribers under the jurisdiction of three northern coastal districts of Andhra Pradesh, that is, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram and Srikakulam. Further, the number of pensioners under this office is also increasing day by day. The Vizag office is unable to cater to the needs of the employees working in Vizianagaram and Srikakulam districts effectively. The establishment of a separate Sub Regional Office for the pensioners of the two districts, Vizianagaram and Srikakulam at Vizianagaram would not only make the services of EPFO to reach the pensioners effectively but also reduce the delay in redressing the grievances and the distance in traveling to approach the authorities would be eased. Moreover, more attention will be paid in the process of decentralization of services.

So, I urge the Ministry of Labour through you to sanction a Sub Regional Office at Vizianagaram immediately.