

Title: Requests the central government to intervene and ask the management to release provident fund for the employees of Metal Box Company closed down since last ten years.

SHRIMATI KRISHNA BOSE (JADAVPUR): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I am raising an issue about the release of provident fund for employees of the closed industries. Just now, I am speaking about the Metal Box Company. Some of its employees are now in Delhi. They are going from one office to another. We all know that the units of the Metal Box Company in Chennai, Mumbai and Calcutta have been closed down ten years back. They have gone through an untold suffering. That is an old story. In the meantime, many of the employees have expired. Just now, they are only demanding that provident fund should be released to those employees who have already crossed the age of retirement.

Somehow, this is not being done. If the hon. Labour Minister could intervene in the matter and ask the Management concerned to release the Provident Fund amounts due to them and not be callous towards their needs, then hundreds of families and the widows of those who have already died would be very much grateful to this Government. This is what I would like to request the Government.