Beneficiaries under Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana

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The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) has been launched with effect from 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic. The salient features of the scheme are summarized below:

An employee drawing monthly wage of less than Rs. 15000/- who was not working in any establishment registered with the Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) before 1st October, 2020 is eligible for the benefit. The employees who lost their job during Covid-19 pandemic and did not join in any EPF covered establishment upto 30.09.2020 are also eligible for the benefit.

Government of India for a period of two years, is crediting both the employee' share (12% of wages) and employer's share (12% of wages) of contribution payable or only the employee's share, depending on employment strength of the EPFO registered establishments.

The scheme commenced from 1st October 2020 and registration was open for eligible employers and new employees upto 31st March, 2022.

The scheme was intended to benefit a total of 71.80 lakh members. Total registration under the scheme is 75.11 lakh. As on 13.07.2022, benefits have been provided to 59.54 lakh beneficiaries through 1.50 lakh establishments in the country.

To increase the coverage of the scheme, the last date of registration was increased for nine months i.e. 30.06.2021 to 31.03.2022.

This information was given by the Minister of State for Labour & Employment, Shri Rameswar Teli in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.