

Regarding restoration of Old Pension Scheme-laid

SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT (RATNAGIRI-SINDHUDURG): Old Pension Scheme (OPS) for Govt. employees was scrapped in January, 2004 and in its place New Pension Scheme (NPS) was introduced for employees recruited on or after January 1, 2004. Since then, Govt. employees and their unions are protesting that NPS is discriminatory against employees recruited after January 1, 2004 and they will be left in lurch after retirement. States Govt. Employees are also demanding restoration of OPS. Some of the States have restored OPS. Several Central Government Employees and State Government Employees Unions held massive protest rallies of employees in Delhi in August and October, 2023, respectively demanding restoration of OPS and submitted Memoranda to the Hon'ble President and Prime Minister in support of their demand. Maharashtra State Govt. employees including Teachers of Govt. Schools are also demanding for restoration of OPS. Keeping in view the genuine demand of Government employees, I urge upon the Central Government to consider their demand favourably.

