



# Opting for a Higher Pension How-To

**Process flow- Filing joint declaration to opt higher pension for members who were contributing before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 to EPS and continued to contribute on or after 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014.**

- 1 . URL for opting higher pension**
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<https://unifiedportal-mem.epfindia.gov.in/memberInterfacePohw/>

The screenshot shows the EPFO Unified Member Portal. At the top, there is a logo for 'EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND ORGANISATION, INDIA' and text indicating it is part of the 'MINISTRY OF LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA'. Below this, a navigation bar includes 'Unified Member Portal' and 'Pension On Higher Wages'. A main content area contains a green box with the following text:  
**Exercise of joint option for the Employees who were in service prior to 01.09.2014 and continued to be in service on or after 01.09.2014 but could not exercise joint option under erstwhile proviso to para 11(3) of EPS-1995**  
A 'Click Here' button with a magnifying glass icon is located next to this text. Below this, a blue box titled 'INSTRUCTIONS FOR UAN BASED' lists three items:

- ① The following information being entered should be as per EPFO records
  1. UAN of member
  2. Member's Aadhaar number, Name and Date of birth should be as available in EPFO records,
- ② Member should have a valid Aadhaar linked mobile number which is as per UIDAI records.

Note: Refer the instructions

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## 1. Get authorization PIN

Employees' Provident Fund Organisation, India  
Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India

Registration request for exercising of Joint options under para 11(3) and 11(4) of EPS-1995

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**UAN \***   
Enter UAN.  
**Name \***   
Enter Name.  
**Date of Birth \***   
**AADHAAR \***   
**Aadhaar Linked Mobile Number \***   
Enter mobile number

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I hereby give my consent for OTP based Aadhar authentication for establishing my identity for the purpose of exercising joint option under para 11 (3) and 11 (4) of EPS, scheme.  
मैं हेपीएस योजना के पैरा 11(3) और 11(4) के तहत संयुक्त विकल्प के सत्यापन के उद्देश्य से अपनी पहचान स्थापित करने के लिए ऑटोमीटी आधार प्रमाणीकरण के लिए अपनी सहमति देता हूँ।

Get OTP

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## 2. Validate User

Registration request for exercising of Joint options under para 11(3) and 11(4) of EPS-1995

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An OTP has been sent on your Aadhaar linked mobile : [REDACTED]

**UAN**  
**Name**  
**Date of Birth**  
**AADHAAR**  
**Aadhaar Linked Mobile Number**  
Enter OTP\*

**Validate OTP** **Cancel**

## 3. Submit Application- Page 1

Pension On Higher Wages Application Form

[Joint Option Form](#)

[\[From the Employees who were in service prior to 01.09.2014 and continued to be in service on or after 01.09.2014 but could not exercise joint option under erstwhile proviso to para 11\(3\) of EPS-1995\]](#)

To be exercised by eligible members of EPS-1995 on or before 03rd May, 2023 in accordance with para 44(iv) read with Para 44(v) of the order dated 4.11.2022 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in SLP No. 8658-8659 of 2019.

**Disclaimer**

I have gone through Supreme Court Judgement dated 04.11.2022 in SLP (C) No.8658-8659 of 2019 and I am registering this joint option in terms of directions contained in the said judgement. I undertake that the pension will be calculated subject to formula determined under the Scheme for this purpose.

**UAN Details**

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## 3. Submit Application- Page 2

UAN		AADHAAR	
Name		Date Of Birth	
Gender		Father's/Spouse Name	
Aadhaar Linked Mobile Number		PPO Number (if any)	
PPO Date		EPFO Regional Office by which PPO was issued	

**Service Details**

Member ID *	DOJ FPS	DOE FPS	DOJ EPS	DOE EPS	
	DD/MM/YYYY	DD/MM/YYYY		DD/MM/YYYY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	DD/MM/YYYY	DD/MM/YYYY			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

[Add Row](#)

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## 3. Submit Application- Page 3- IF, “Yes”

**Member Details**

Email Id *	<input type="text" value="Enter Email Id"/>
Aadhaar Linked Bank Account Number *	<input type="text" value="Bank Account Number"/> IFSC Code *

**Joint Option & Contribution Details**

Whether employer's contribution was received on wages exceeding statutory wage ceiling of ₹5000 in EPF prior to 01.06.2001 from the day his salary exceeded ₹5000? (applicable only if date of joining is prior to 01.06.2001) \*

Yes  
 No

Please attach permission under para 26(6) of EPF Scheme. \* Only PDF file of size 250 KB is allowed.

No file selected.

Whether Employer's contribution was received on wages exceeding statutory wage ceiling of ₹6500 in EPF prior to 01.09.2014 from the day his salary exceeded ₹6500? (applicable only if date of exit is on or after 01.06.2001) \*

Yes  
 No

Please attach permission under para 26(6) of EPF Scheme. \* Only PDF file of size 250 KB is allowed.

No file selected.

Whether member wants to use accumulation available in his / her PF account for payment of due contribution for this option? \*

Yes  
 No

How much is the PF account balance on the date of filing option? \*

No file selected.

Please upload relevant documentary proof such as Account Slip / pages of the Passbook etc. \* Only PDF file of size 250 KB is allowed.

No file selected.

Whether member is giving undertaking to deposit the contributions along with interest due till date of payment through his last employer [only when PF account has no/ insufficient balance]? \*

Yes  
 No

Please upload relevant documentary proof \* Only PDF file of size upto 250 KB is allowed.

No file selected.

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## 3. Submit Application- Page 3- IF, “No”

Member Details	
Email Id *	<input type="text" value="Enter Email Id"/>
Aadhaar Linked Bank Account Number *	<input type="text" value="Bank Account Number"/> IFSC Code * <input type="text" value="IFSC Code"/>
Joint Option & Contribution Details	
Whether employer's contribution was received on wages exceeding statutory wage ceiling of ₹5000 in EPF prior to 01.06.2001 from the day his salary exceeded ₹5000? (applicable only if date of joining is prior to 01.06.2001) *	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Whether Employer's contribution was received on wages exceeding statutory wage ceiling of ₹6500 in EPF prior to 01.09.2014 from the day his salary exceeded ₹6500? (applicable only if date of exit is on or after 01.06.2001) *	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Whether member wants to use accumulation available in his / her PF account for payment of due contribution for this option? *	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Whether member is giving undertaking to deposit the contributions along with interest due till date of payment through his last employer [only when PF account has no/ insufficient balance]? *	
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	

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**Declaration**

1. I hereby declare that I have read and understood the Judgement in SLP (C) No.8658- 8659 of 2019 dated 04-11-2022 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and I am exercising this joint option in terms of the directions contained in the said judgement.

2. I understand and agree that as a member of the Employees' Pension Scheme, my rights to claim pension are limited to the scope of judgement and within the EPF & MP Act, 1952 and the Schemes framed thereunder.

3. I further understand that the Central Government is empowered to amend the scheme as it may deem fit.

4. I do hereby agree that the details of contribution and interest given by my employers are essential for the computation of dues payable for this application, and this is the full and final submission.

5. I hereby undertake that the service details in the above form are correct and no material fact has been misrepresented or hidden by me.

6. I hereby agree to pay due contribution in a single tranche as specified by EPFO, along with interest at rates declared under Para 60 of EPF Scheme 1952 or at the rate declared by the concerned trust of such establishment, from time to time, whichever is higher, if any.

7. I hereby jointly opt along with my employer to pay full amount of contribution on salary exceeding wage ceiling under erstwhile para 11(3) (since deleted) and Para 11(4) of EPS 95 along with interest up to the last date of the month in which payment is made, in accordance with the judgement dated 04.11.2022 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court through my last employer within such period as may be directed by EPFO after verification of my joint option. If the full amount payable is not deposited by my last employer within such period as may be directed by EPFO after verification of my joint option, this joint option shall be liable to be treated as Null and Void.

8. I undertake that all the facts are true. If the details submitted by me or my employer are found to be incorrect at any point of time, this joint option shall be treated as Null and Void.

9. I am aware that in case of false declaration and wilful mis-representation, appropriate penal action may be taken by EPFO against me.

Place \*

I agree.

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Note: Generate application by clicking “Submit application”



THANK YOU