

National Pension Scheme for Traders and Self Employed Persons

The Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi launched **National Pension Scheme for Traders and Self Employed Persons**, a pension scheme for the Vyaparis (shopkeepers/retail traders and self-employed persons) with annual turnover not exceeding Rs 1.5 crore. The Scheme is voluntary and contributory pension scheme for entry age of 18 to 40 years with a provision for minimum assured pension of Rs 3,000/- monthly on attaining the age of 60 years.

The enrolment facility under the scheme has been made available to the prospective beneficiaries through 3.50 lakh Common Service Center (CSCs) across the country. In addition people can also self-enroll themselves by visiting the portal www.maandhan.in/vyapari Therefore the eligible Vyaparis can visit their nearest CSCs and get enrolled under the scheme. The beneficiary is required to have an Aadhaar card and a saving bank/ Jan-dhan Account passbook. The enrolment under the scheme is free of cost for the beneficiaries. The enrolment is based upon self-certification.

The Scheme is expecting to benefit a target estimation of 25 lakh subscribers in 2019-20 and 2 crore subscribers by 2023-2024 in the country.

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