SOCIAL SECURITY STATISTICS

2009 - 2013

1. INTRODUCTION

This issue of the 'Economic and Social Indicators' presents statistics on the main social security benefits provided by the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions for the period July 2008 to December 2013. Social Security benefits are classified as:

- Non-contributory benefits financed by government and are payable to every Mauritian citizen under certain conditions and
- Contributory benefits payable only to, or on behalf of, those persons who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF)

Social Security Statistics are reported on a calendar (January to December) year basis instead of the financial (July to June) year basis as from year 2010. This follows Government decision taken in July 2008 to change reporting period of Government account from year ending 30th June to year ending 31st December.

Thus for 2013 the number of beneficiaries relates to December 2013 while the amount paid refers to calendar year, January to December 2013. Figures for 2013 are also subject to revision in future issues as additional information becomes available.

Detailed explanatory notes on the different benefits are given at section 10.

2. HIGHLIGHTS - REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

- Expenditure on Social Security and Welfare amounted to Rs. 22,691 million in 2012, representing 26.9% of total government expenditure and 6.6% of the Gross Domestic Products (GDP).
- b. At end 2013, the number of beneficiaries of *Basic Retirement Pension* increased by 4.6% compared to end 2012 to reach 177,721 and the cost to Government increased by 9.5% to reach Rs. 8,737 million during year 2013.
- c. There were 20,511 *Basic Widow's Pensioners* at end 2013 compared to 21,000 one year ago, showing a decrease of 2.3%. However, due to increases in the rates payable, the amount disbursed increased by 2.0% to reach Rs. 953 million during year 2013.
- d. The number of *Basic Invalid's Pensioners* at end 2013 was 30,930, i.e., an increase of 13.0% over 2012. The total amount disbursed in 2013 rose by 6.0% to reach Rs. 1,517 million.
- e. At end 2013, the number of beneficiaries of *Basic Orphan's Pension* stood at 374 compared to 368 at end 2012 and expenditure increased to Rs. 26.5 million from Rs 24.7 million in 2012.
- f. **Social Aid** benefits were paid to 20,570 families as at December 2013, i.e., an increase of 0.6% over 2012. Amount paid registered a 4.9% increase to reach Rs. 737 million in 2013.
- g. A *forty years' projection* indicates that Basic Retirement Pensioners would double to reach around 356,000 in 2053 from 177,721 in 2013 and the amount disbursed is expected to increase from Rs. 8.7 billion to Rs. 18.7 billion.

3. EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL SECURITY AND WELFARE – (TABLE 1)

Overall expenditure exceeds Rs 22 billion in 2012

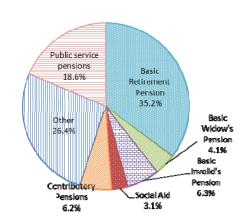
Government expenditure on Social Security and Welfare consists of expenditure and transfers made by government for the social welfare of the community, in line with the recommendations of the Government Finance Statistics Manual 2001 of the International Monetary Fund. It covers all expenses made by the Ministry of Social Security, National Solidarity & Reform Institutions and the Ministry of Gender Equality, Child Development & Family Welfare together with components of social

welfare of all government organizations as well as Local Government.

Expenditure on Social Security and Welfare increased by 4.5% from Rs. 21,715 million in 2011 to 22,691 million in 2012. In 2012, it represents 26.9% of total government expenditure and 6.6% of the Gross Domestic Products (GDP).

The main components were the Basic Retirement Pension with a share of 35.2%, followed by Public Service Pensions, 18.6 %.

Figure 1 - Components of government expenditure or social security and welfare, Year 2012



4. Non-contributory benefits

These benefits include:

- ❖ Basic pensions which cater for the elderly, the invalids, the widows and the orphans irrespective of their economic status;
- Allowances such as Social Aid, Food Aid, Unemployment Hardship Relief and Funeral Grant which are payable to the low-income group of the population; and
- ❖ Inmates allowance and indoor relief payable to, or on behalf of, those Mauritians residing in government-subsidized institutions such as old-people homes, infirmaries and orphanages.

The pension rates payable for non-contributory benefits are given at table 11.

4.1 BASIC PENSIONS

4.1.1 Basic Retirement Pension – BRP (Table 2.1)

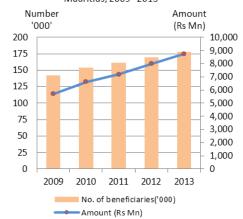
An average increase of some 9,000 beneficiaries every year

Basic Retirement Pension, also known as oldage pension, is payable to every Mauritian citizen aged 60 years and above, subject to certain residency conditions.

The number of old-age pensioners, which stood at 169,847 as at end 2012 increased by 4.6% to reach 177,721 as at end 2013. The old-age pension cost government Rs. 8,736.6 million during 2013 representing an increase of 9.5% over 2012.

A forty years' projection indicates that Basic Retirement Pensioners would more than double to reach around 355,600 in 2053 and the amount disbursed is expected to increase to Rs. 18.7 billion(Table 10).

Figure 2 - BRP beneficiaries and amount paid, Republic of Mauritius, 2009 - 2013



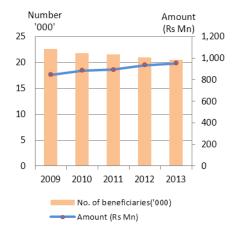
Basic Widow's Pension – BWP (Table 2.1)

Expenditure on the increase despite fewer beneficiaries

Basic Widow's Pension is payable to widows aged 15 to 59 years who were either civilly and/or religiously married to their late husband. The number of beneficiaries of Widow's pension decreased by 2.3%, from 21,000 as at December 2012 to 20,511 as at December 2013.

On the other hand, government expenditure on such Pension, which was Rs. 934.2 million during 2012, rose by 2.0% to reach Rs. 952.6 million during 2013 due to higher rate of pension in 2012.

Figure 3 - BWP beneficiaries and amount disbursed. Republic of Mauritius, 2009 - 2013



Basic Invalid's Pension – BIP – (Table 2.1)

Increasing number of invalid pensioners

The Basic Invalid's Pension is payable to any person aged 15 to 59 years if certified by a Medical Board that the person is either permanently or substantially incapacitated to work to a degree of 60% or more for at least 12 months. The number of such beneficiaries increased from 27,361 as at December 2012 to 30,930 as at December 2013, showing an increase of 13%.

The total amount spent on Basic Invalid's Pension rose by 6% from Rs. 1,431.4 million in 2012 to Rs. 1,517.4 million in 2013.

Republic of Mauritius, 2009 - 2013 Amount Number (Rs Mn) '000' 35 1,600 1,400 30 1,200 25 1,000 20 800 15 600

400

Figure 4 - BIP beneficiaries and amount disbursed,

10 5 200 0 0 2010 2011 2012 2009 No. of beneficiaries ('000)

Amount (Rs Mn)

4.1.4 Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP) – (Table 2.1)

Around 370 orphans for last 4 years

Basic Orphan's Pension is payable to all orphans under the age of 15, or under 20 years, if they are in full-time education.

The number of beneficiaries of Basic Orphan's Pension in the Republic of Mauritius increased from 368 in December 2012 to 374 in December 2013. Its cost amounted to Rs. 26.5 million in 2013 representing a 7.2% increase over 2012.

4.1.5 Child's Allowance – (Table 2.1)

Child's allowance is payable to children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension, Basic Widow's Pension and Basic Invalid's Pension in respect of a child below 15 years, or below 20 years, if in fulltime education. The total number of children benefiting from Child's allowance decreased by 1.3% from 18,255 in December 2012 to 18,022 in December 2013. Out of this total, 60% were children of Basic Invalid's pensioners followed by those of Basic Widow's Pensioners (36%).

4.2 OTHER NON - CONTRIBUTORY SOCIAL BENEFITS - (TABLES 3 & 4)

4.2.1 Social Aid

Over 20,000 beneficiaries

Social Aid is an income-tested scheme. It is payable to the head of a family who is incapable of earning his living adequately and who has insufficient means to support himself and his dependents. The total number of families benefiting from such assistance increased by 0.6% from 20,447 in December 2012 to 20,570 in December 2013. Consequently, the total amount paid to beneficiaries increased by 4.9% to reach Rs. 736.8 million in 2013.

of Mauritius, 2009 - 2013 Amount Number (Rs Mn) '000' 25 800 700 20 600 500 15 400 10 300 200 5 100 O O 2009 2011 2012 2013 2010 No. of beneficiaries('000) Amount (Rs Mn)

Figure 5 - Social Aid beneficiaries and amount paid, Republic

4.2.2 Income Support for the purchase of rice and flour

In order to support needy Mauritians for the purchase of rice and flour, a <u>Food Aid Scheme</u> and an <u>Income Support Scheme</u> was introduced when government subsidy on rice and flour was discontinued.

The number of persons who were benefiting from Food Aid scheme or Income Support Scheme was 96,100 in December 2013 and the total amount paid in 2013 was Rs. 295.3 million.

4.2.3 Indoor Relief

Indoor relief is the grant paid to an institution in respect of every person residing in the institution, if that person would have otherwise benefited from a basic pension or from Social Aid. The number of beneficiaries registered an increase from 662 in December 2012 to 690 in December 2013. However, the amount paid under that scheme increased by 7.1% from Rs. 51 million in 2012 to Rs. 54.6 million in 2013.

4.2.4 Inmate's Allowance

Inmate's Allowance refers to the pocket money given to certain residents of government-subsidized institutions and of the government psychiatric hospital, Brown Sequard Hospital. In December 2013, 828 persons received such allowance as compared to 728 in December 2012 representing an increase of 13.7%. The amount spent under this item increased by 19.1% from Rs 6.8 million in 2012 to Rs 8.1 million in 2013.

4.2.5 Unemployment Hardship Relief

The Unemployment Hardship Relief (UHR) is payable to unemployed heads of families whose family income is not sufficient to meet the needs of the members. The number of beneficiaries of UHR increased by 22.7%, from 611 in December 2012 to 750 in December 2013 and the amount paid to these beneficiaries rose from Rs 16.3 million in 2012 to Rs 22.5 million in 2013 showing an increase of 38%.

4.2.6 Funeral Grant

A funeral grant is meant to cover funeral expenses of persons from low-income families. The number

of payments for funeral expenses decreases from 3,133 during 2012 to 3,091 during 2013. However, the amount disbursed increased from Rs 13.5 million to Rs 13.9 million.

5. NATIONAL PENSION FUND, NATIONAL SAVINGS FUND AND CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

5.1 THE NATIONAL PENSIONS FUND – (TABLE 5)

Size of NPF reaching Rs 80 billion in 2013 compared to Rs 60 billion in 2009

The National Pension Scheme, introduced in April 1976, provides for the payment of contributory pensions to those employees of the private sector who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF).

In 2013, there were around 318,700 employees who have contributed to the NPF while contributions received from both employees and employers amounted to Rs. 2,696.5 million.

As at 31st December 2013, total net assets (size of fund) of the National Pension Fund was around Rs. 80 billion.

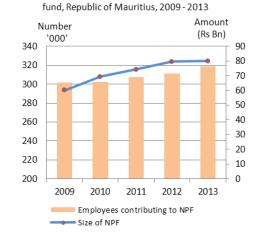


Figure 6 - No. of employees contributing to NPF and size of

5.2 THE NATIONAL SAVINGS FUND – (TABLE 6)

More than 378,000 employees contribute to the NSF

The National Savings Fund (NSF) has been set up in 1995 to replace the Employees Welfare Fund. The objectives of the National Savings Fund are:

- ❖ To provide for the payment of a lump sum to every employee on his retirement at the age of 60 or earlier, or to the beneficiary on his death; and
- To set up and operate for the benefit of employees, such schemes, including loan schemes, as may be prescribed.

The number of employees belonging to the Fund rose from around 378,200 in 2012 to 378,800 in 2013, showing an increase of 0.2%. At the same time, the total contribution received, exclusive of surcharge, rose by 7.6%, from Rs. 1,222.3 million in 2012 to Rs. 1,314.9 million in 2013.

5.3 CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

Contributory benefits are payable only to, or on behalf of, those persons who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF). The contributory pensions include old age, invalidity, widows and orphans pensions in addition to industrial injury allowances.

In the case of contributory benefits, the allowances payable vary according to the amount contributed to the NPF by the insured worker. For those persons whose contributions were marginal, government guarantees a minimum contributory pension.

In 2013, amount disbursed on Contributory Retirement Pension (CRP) represented the main component with 73.8% of the total followed by Contributory Widows Pension (CWP) with 20.2%.

CRP 20.2% CIP 3.4% Lindustrial injury 2.5%

Figure 7 : Percentage distribution of amount disbursed by contributory benefits, Year 2013

5.3.1 Contributory Pensions – (Tables 7(a) - (b))

5.3.1.1 Contributory Retirement Pension (CRP)

The Contributory Retirement Pension is payable to a person on reaching the age of 60 years, if that person has contributed to the National Pension Fund. The number of beneficiaries of this type of pension rose from 66,069 in December 2012 to reach 72,221 in December 2013, showing a rise of 9.3%. Consequently, an increase of 14.2% was noted in the amount disbursed, from Rs. 1,027.3 million to Rs. 1,172.9 million.

5.3.1.2 Contributory Widow's Pension (CWP)

The Contributory Widow's Pension is payable to a widow whose late husband had contributed to the National Pensions Fund. The total number of widows who benefited from such a pension increased by 6.0%, from 21,940 in December 2012 to 23,263 in December 2013. The amount paid thus went up from Rs. 285.8 million in 2012 to Rs. 321.6 million in 2013, showing an increase of 12.5%.

5.3.1.3 Contributory Invalid's Pension (CIP)

A person is entitled to a Contributory Invalid's Pension if he/she has previously contributed to the National Pension Fund and suffers from a permanent incapacity of at least 60%. The number of such beneficiaries rose by 14%, from 8,305 in December 2012 to 9,469 in December 2013. The amount paid increased by 13.8% from Rs. 48 million in 2012 to Rs. 54.6 million in 2013.

5.3.1.4 Contributory Orphan's Pension (COP)

The Contributory Orphan's pension is payable to orphans under the age of 15 years (or 18 years if the child is at school), if any of the deceased parents had contributed to the National Pension Fund. During 2013 the number of orphans benefiting from this pension was 168 against 155 in 2012, whilst the amount disbursed was Rs 0.4 million, slightly higher than the amount of Rs. 0.3 million in the previous year.

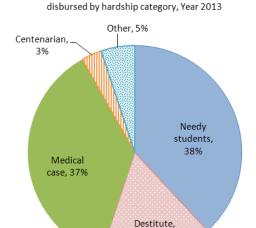
5.3.1.5 Industrial Injury Benefits

This comprises only those cases who, being insured under the NPF, have been awarded Industrial Injury Allowance in respect of work accidents. The number of cases of Industrial Injury decreased from 841 in December 2012 to 822 in December 2013. The total amount paid decreased from Rs 42.5 million in 2012 to Rs 39.4 million in 2013.

6. THE NATIONAL SOLIDARITY FUND – (TABLE 8(a) – (b))

The National Solidarity Fund started operating on 1 June 1991 with the objective to provide financial assistance to:

- Mauritian citizens residing in Mauritius who require surgical operations that can only be performed abroad.
- Those undergoing Severe Personal Hardships such as tragic accidents, needy students, victims of natural calamities, multiple births, medical cases, etc.



17%

Figure 8: Distribution of amount

During the year 2013, the National Solidarity Fund assisted 1,775 cases compared to 1,912 in 2012. During that period, the amount spent decreased by 16.2%, from Rs. 17.6 million to Rs. 14.7 million.

7. PROJECTED NUMBER OF BASIC PENSION BENEFICIARIES AND THEIR RELATED FUTURE COSTS (TABLES 9-10)

Assumptions used in the projections of the number of beneficiaries of basic pensions and their eventual costs are given at section 11.

The *pensioner support ratio*, defined as the number of persons of working age (15-59 years) per old age pensioner (aged 60 years and over), which stood at 4.8 in 2013 is expected to fall to about 1.6 by 2053.

The *index of ageing* defined as the number of persons aged 60 years and over per 100 children aged less than 15 years would increase to 287.5 in 2053 compared to 66 in 2013.

The number of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension is expected to reach 355,600 in 2053, i.e. double the number as at December 2013 (177,700).

There were 20,511 beneficiaries of Basic Widow's Pension in December 2013. This is expected to decrease to about 18,300 in the next four decades. During that time, the number of beneficiaries of Basic Invalid's Pension would decrease from 30,930 to around 24,200.

Based on rates applicable in 2013, the amount to be disbursed by government on Basic Retirement pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance) is expected to more than double from Rs 8,736.6 million in 2013 to Rs 18,696 million in some forty years due to the ageing of the population.

Figure 9 shows the evolution in the number of beneficiaries and the future cost of the Basic Retirement Pension.

400 20 18 No. of beneficiaries 350 Cost (RsBn) 16 300 No. of beneficiaries ('000) 250 200 150 100 50 0 2013 2023 2033 2043 2053 Calendar Year

Figure 9 - Actual and projected number of Retirement Pension beneficiaries and cost, 2013 - 2053

As for the other pensions, namely, Basic Widow's pensions, Basic Invalid's pensions and Basic Orphan's pensions, the future costs are expected to amount to Rs 1,995 million within the next forty years compared to Rs 2,496 million in 2013.

8. LIST OF TABLES

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9. Notes

9.1 RELEASE OF DATA ON SOCIAL SECURITY

This publication is a yearly issue to be released by end of August according to an advance calendar posted on Statistics Mauritius website (http://statsmauritius.gov.mu). The next issue is scheduled for August 2015. This indicator will also be followed by a more comprehensive report on the same subject and period with release scheduled for February 2015.

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10 EXPLANATORY NOTES

10.1 Non – Contributory Benefits

10.1.1 Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

The Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension is an additional allowance payable to old-age pensioners who are either

- totally blind, or
- suffer from total paralysis, or
- need the constant care of another person

10.1.2 Additional Basic Invalid Pension

Basic Invalid Pensioners, who need the constant care and attention of another person, benefit from an additional allowance known as the Carer's Allowance.

10.1.3 Guardian Allowance (GA)

A Guardian's allowance is also paid to the person looking after one or more orphans. However, only one allowance is payable per guardian irrespective of the number of orphans under his/her care.

10.1.4 Child's Allowance

Child's allowance is payable to children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension, Basic Widow's Pension and Basic Invalid's Pension in respect of a child below 15 years, or below 20 years, if in full-time education. Child's allowance is payable for up to three dependent children. It is to be noted that child allowance is payable even after discontinuation of pensions to the parents for some reasons (e.g. when the widowed mother got married).

10.1.5 Social Aid

Social Aid is an income-tested scheme. It is payable to the head of a family who is incapable of

earning his living adequately and who has insufficient means to support himself and his dependents. Social Aid is payable to the poorer section of the population, including the dependents of prisoners and abandoned spouses, especially those with dependent children. The allowance payable is calculated as the difference between the total income and the expected overall expenditure of the family.

10.1.6 Income Support for the purchase of rice and flour

In order to support needy Mauritians for the purchase of rice and flour, the <u>Food Aid Scheme</u> was introduced in May 1993 when government subsidy on rice and flour was temporarily discontinued. Under the Food Aid Scheme, a monthly stipend is given to every needy Mauritian for the purchase of rice and flour. The beneficiaries are:

- All recipients of Social Aid and their dependents
- All those receiving the Unemployment Hardship Relief
- All needy beneficiaries of a basic pension under the National Pensions Act, i.e. beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension, Basic Widow's Pension, Basic Invalid's Pension and Basic Orphan's Pensions, who would have qualified to receive social aid if the basic pensions were not payable

The monthly stipend increased from Rs 30 in May 1993 to Rs 50 in October 2004, then to Rs 85 as from 1 July 2006 and later to Rs100 as from 1 July 2008.

In addition, as from 1 July 2006 with the government discontinuation of subsidy on rice and flour, an Income Support Scheme was introduced whereby a monthly allowance of Rs 40 is given to:

- ❖ Any head of household and his/her dependents whose average monthly electricity consumption does not exceed 75 KWh and who are not in receipt of Food Aid.
- Any beneficiary of basic pension and his/her dependents (under the National Pensions Act) and who would have been eligible to receive social aid if he/she was not in receipt of that basic pension.

This allowance also increased to Rs 100 as from 1 July 2008.

10.1.7 Inmate's Allowance

Inmate's Allowance refers to the pocket money given to certain residents of government-subsidized institutions and of the government psychiatric hospital, Brown Sequard Hospital.

10.1.8 Unemployment Hardship Relief

The Unemployment Hardship Relief (UHR) is payable to unemployed heads of families whose family income is not sufficient to meet the needs of the members. The head should be

- (i) Registered as unemployed at the Employment Exchange
- (ii) Be willing and able to take up employment and
- (iii) Be actively looking for work

A disabled person, who can work but has not been able to find a job, receives an Unemployment Hardship Relief in addition to his Basic Invalid's Pension.

10.1.9 Funeral Grant

A funeral grant is meant to cover funeral expenses of persons from low-income families.

10.2 CONTRIBUTORY BENEFITS

10.2.1 The National Pension Scheme

The National Pension Scheme was introduced in April 1976. It provides for the payment of contributory pensions to those employees of the private sector who have contributed to the National Pensions Fund (NPF). All employees working for employers with more than 10 employees had to join the Scheme as from July 1978. Other employees joined the Scheme as from January 1980, except

household workers for whom the operative date was July 1980. The self-employed were also eligible to join the Scheme as from July 1980 on a voluntary basis.

Contributions to the Scheme are payable at the rate of 10.5% by millers and large employers of the Sugar Industry (those having at least 100 arpents under sugar cane cultivation); other employers pay contribution at the rate of 6%. For all employees, the contribution rate is 3 %. Contributions are not payable on bonus, overtime pay and allowances. The minimum monthly remuneration on which contributions are payable was Rs 900 for household employees and Rs 1,440 for other employees during the financial year 2008/2009. During that period, as from a monthly remuneration of Rs 9,435 a flat contribution is applicable for both categories.

10.2.2 The National Savings Fund

The National Savings Fund has been set up in 1995 to replace the Employees Welfare Fund. The objectives of the National Savings Fund are:

- To provide for the payment of a lump sum to every employee on his retirement at the age of 60 or earlier, or to the beneficiary on his death; and
- ❖ To set up and operate for the benefit of employees, such schemes, including loan schemes, as may be prescribed.

This Fund is compulsory in respect to all employees, except non-citizens, of both public and private sector. Contributions to the Fund were payable at the rate of 2.5 % by employers. As from February 2009, following the proclamation of the Employment Rights Act, the contribution increased to 3.5%, comprising of 2.5% from employers and 1% from employees of the Private Sector and those of parastatal bodies. This additional 1% contribution is being used to pay part of the Transitory Unemployment Benefit (TUB) to laid-off workers.

10.2.3 Industrial Injury Benefits

The different types of allowances payable in respect of a work accident affecting an employee insured under the National Pension Scheme are:

- ❖ Industrial Injury allowance as a result of a total temporary incapacity, subject to medical evidence.
- Disablement pension due to a permanent incapacity (partial or total).
- Survivor's Pension as a result of the death.
- Constant attendance allowance resulting in a total temporary incapacity or a 100% disability and requiring the constant attendance of another person.
- ❖ Dependent's pension, orphan's pension, child allowance, clinical expenses, clothing expenses, hospital expenses, artificial aid.

10.3 THE NATIONAL SOLIDARITY FUND

The National Solidarity Fund started operating under the aegis of the Ministry of Social Security and National Solidarity on 1 June 1991. Initially, its objectives were to provide financial assistance to:

- Mauritian citizens residing in Mauritius who require surgical operations that can only be performed abroad.
- Those undergoing Severe Personal Hardships.

Since November 1999, with the creation of the "Trust Fund for Overseas Treatment" operating under the aegis of the Ministry of Health, all surgical operations cases are referred there. The National Solidarity Fund has then widened the scope of its activities under the "Severe Personal Hardship Scheme" to cover also tragic accidents, needy students, victims of natural calamities, multiple births, medical cases, etc.

The sources of revenue of the Fund are manifold. These include:

- Contribution from the General Public
- Contribution from Ministries and Departments
- Interests on investment
- Unclaimed prizes and unclaimed winning tickets from e.g. Automatics Systems Ltd., Mauritius Turf Club and commercial promotions.

11. ASSUMPTIONS USED IN THE PROJECTIONS OF BASIC PENSIONS AND THEIR FUTURE COSTS

The future costs of basic pensions are calculated on the basis of the pension rates of 2013 (flat rate) and the latest population projection based on the estimated population as at June 2013, which was worked out by Statistics Mauritius.

11.1 Basic Retirement Pension (including Severely Handicapped Pension and Child's Allowance)

- The beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension (BRP) are assumed to be the projected population aged 60 years and over based on estimated population as at 30 June 2013.
- ❖ The proportion of beneficiaries of BRP who were severely handicapped (BRP/SH) by age group and sex in December 2013 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Child's Allowance (BRP cases) by age group and sex in December 2013 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.

11.2 Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)

- The proportion of women receiving Basic Widow's Pension (BWP) by age group in December 2013 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Child's Allowance (BWP cases) by age group and sex in December 2013 has been assumed to be the same for the next 40 years.

11.3 Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)

- The proportion of pensioners receiving Basic Invalid's Pension (BIP) by age group and sex in December 2013 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- It has been assumed that the proportion of BIP beneficiaries who obtain an additional pension (Carer's Allowance) by age group and sex remains the same as in December 2013.
- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Child's Allowance (BIP cases) by age group and sex in December 2013 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.

11.4 Basic Orphan's Pension (including Guardian's Allowance)

- ❖ The proportion of children receiving Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP) by age group and sex in December 2013 has been assumed to remain constant in the future.
- ❖ The proportions of children receiving Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP) who attended full time education and those not attending full time education by age group and sex have been assumed to be the same as in December 2013
- The proportion of Basic Orphan's Pension beneficiaries per guardian has been assumed to remain the same as in December 2013.

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Table 1 - Government Expenditure on Social Security & Welfare - Republic of Mauritius, 2008-2012

Government expenditure on Social Security & Welfare	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012
Amount (Rs. Mn) 1/	17,812.2	20,614.0	21,715.0	22,691.1
% of total government expenditure	26.0	26.4	27.3	26.9
% of GDP at market prices	6.3	6.9	6.7	6.6

^{1/} Including amount spent under "Welfare" and paid by other Ministries

Table 2.1 - No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid, Republic of Mauritius

(a) No. of beneficiaries by pension type as at 30 June 2009 and December 2010-2013

		No	of beneficia	ries	
Pension type	June 09	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013 ^{1/}
Basic Retirement Pension					
(Old age pension) of whom	141,582	153,870	161,219	169,847	177,721
Severely handicapped ^{2/}	16,463	16,881	16,527	16,663	16,810
Basic Widow's Pension	22,596	21,815	21,503	21,000	20,511
Basic Invalid's Pension of whom	27,169	27,679	26,928	27,361	30,930
Severely handicapped ^{3/}	7,517	7,374	6,669	6,687	6,588
Basic Orphan's Pension	353	369	371	368	374
Guardian's Allowance	299	313	318	317	323
Child's Allowance	18,144	18,556	18,590	18,255	18,022
of whom children of beneficiaries of:					
Basic Retirement Pension	214	251	245	244	268
Basic Widow's Pension	7,110	7,208	7,023	6,687	6,401
Basic Invalid's Pension	10,310	10,546	10,781	10,810	10,851
Other ^{4/}	510	551	541	514	502

^{1/} provisional

(b) Amount paid by pension type, 2008/09 and calendar years 2010-2013

		Amount paid (Rs million)					
Pension type	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 ^{2/}		
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	5,685.0	6,612.3	7,170.8	7,980.9	8,736.6		
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	844.2	885.5	893.8	934.2	952.6		
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	1,214.2	1,312.3	1,335.5	1,431.4	1,517.4		
Basic Orphan's Pension ^{1/} (including Guardian's Allowance)	22.1	23.4	24.3	24.7	26.5		

includes allowances to children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

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^{2/} drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

^{3/} drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

^{4/} these are children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

Table 2.2 - No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid, Island of Mauritius

(a) No. of beneficiaries by pension type as at 30 June 2009 and December 2010-2013

		Numl	ber of benefic	ciaries	
Pension type	June 09	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013 ^{1/}
Basic Retirement Pension (Old age pension)	137,762	149,908	157,144	165,684	173,462
of whom					
Severely handicapped ^{2/}	15,915	16,230	15,817	15,991	16,198
Basic Widow's Pension	22,183	21,380	21,086	20,572	20,088
Basic Invalid's Pension of whom	26,324	26,818	26,158	26,607	30,250
Severely handicapped ^{3/}	7,237	7,119	6,448	6,424	6,321
Basic Orphan's Pension	305	319	324	322	327
Guardian's Allowance	260	275	280	278	282
Child's Allowance	17,463	17,856	17,902	17,607	17,431
of whom children of beneficiaries of:					
Basic Retirement Pension	204	241	234	234	256
Basic Widow's Pension	6,923	6,981	6,811	6,485	6,188
Basic Invalid's Pension	9,854	10,112	10,344	10,404	10,509
Other ^{4/}	482	522	513	484	478

^{1/} provisional

(b) Amount paid by pension type, 2008/09 and calendar years 2010-2013

	Amount paid (Rs million)							
Pension type	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 ^{2/}			
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	5,525.4	6,431.7	6,978.6	7,772.1	8,518.0			
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	828.0	867.2	875.8	916.0	932.3			
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	1,172.7	1,270.9	1,297.1	1,387.1	1,478.2			
Basic Orphan's Pension 1/ (including Guardian's Allowance)	19.6	21.0	21.9	22.5	23.8			

includes allowances to children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

^{2/} drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

^{3/} drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

^{4/} these are children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

^{2/} provisional

Table 2.3 - No. of beneficiaries of basic pensions and amount paid, Island of Rodrigues

(a) No. of beneficiaries by pension type as at 30 June 2009 and December 2010-2013

(a) No. of veneficialies by pension	Number of beneficiaries						
Pension type	June 09	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013 ^{1/}		
Basic Retirement Pension (Old age pension) of whom	3,820	3,962	4,075	4,163	4,259		
Severely handicapped ^{2/}	548	651	710	672	612		
Basic Widow's Pension	413	435	417	428	423		
Basic Invalid's Pension of whom	845	861	770	754	680		
Severely handicapped ^{3/}	280	255	221	263	267		
Basic Orphan's Pension	48	50	47	46	47		
Guardian's Allowance	39	38	38	39	41		
Child's Allowance	681	700	688	648	591		
of whom children of beneficiaries of:							
Basic Retirement Pension	10	10	11	10	12		
Basic Widow's Pension	187	227	212	202	213		
Basic Invalid's Pension	456	434	437	406	342		
Other ^{4/}	28	29	28	30	24		

(b) Amount paid by pension type, 2008/09 and calendar years 2010-2013

	Amount paid (Rs million)						
Pension type	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 ^{2/}		
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	159.6	180.6	192.2	208.8	218.6		
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	16.2	18.3	18.0	18.2	20.3		
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	41.5	41.4	38.4	44.3	39.2		
Basic Orphan's Pension ^{1/} (including Guardian's Allowance)	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.7		

^{1/} includes allowances to children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

provisional drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

³/ drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

these are children who were previously children of beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

^{2/} provisional

Table 3 - Number of beneficiaries of other non-contributory social benefits and amount paid,

Republic of Mauritius

(a) No. of beneficiaries by type of benefit as at June 2009 and December 2010 - 2013

	Number of beneficiaries							
Type of benefit	June 09	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013 3/			
Social Aid ^{1/}	17,180	19,432	20,191	20,447	20,570			
Food aid (inclu. Income support)	86,000	96,028	76,200	87,200	96,100			
Indoor Relief (Capitation Grant)	677	662	669	662	690			
Inmate's Allowance	679	720	724	728	828			
Unemployment Hardship Relief	364	479	589	611	750			
Funeral Grant 2/	3,118	3,359	3,044	3,133	3,091			

^{1/} refers to the number of cases who benefit from Social Aid for themselves and for members of their family

(b) Amount paid by type of benefit for 2008/2009 and calendar years 2010 - 2013

	Amount paid (Rs million)							
Type of benefit	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 3/			
Social Aid ^{1/}	460.1	540.6	658.9	702.2	736.8			
Food aid ^{2/} (inclu. Income support)	108.7	130.6	235.2	267.9	295.3			
Indoor Relief (Capitation Grant)	41.1	44.1	46.6	51.0	54.6			
Inmate's Allowance	4.5	5.6	5.9	6.8	8.1			
Unemployment Hardship Relief	4.3	6.2	13.8	16.3	22.5			
Funeral Grant	10.9	14.2	12.8	13.5	13.9			

 $^{^{}I\prime}$ includes amount paid on (i) subsidy on HSC and SC examination fees

^{2/} refers to the number of payments during the calendar year

^{3/} provisional

⁽ii) assistance to professional fishermen and food aid in Rodrigues

^{2/} excludes amount spent for Rodrigues which is included in "Social aid"

^{3/} provisional

Table 4 - Number of cases of Social Aid paid by district as at June 2009 and December 2010-2013

District/ Island	2009	Dec 2010	Dec 2011	Dec 2012	Dec 2013 1/
Port-Louis	3,575	3,864	3,980	4,100	4,125
Pamplemousses	1,898	2,115	2,273	2,481	2,496
Riviere du Rempart	1,318	1,294	1,143	1,047	1,053
Flacq	1,690	1,870	1,920	1,595	1,605
Grand-Port	1,224	1,430	1,286	1,223	1,230
Savanne	789	830	987	1,010	1,016
Plaine Wilhems	3,555	4,124	4,408	4,400	4,426
Moka	699	802	839	871	876
Black River	862	910	866	895	900
Island of Mauritius	15,610	17,239	17,702	17,622	17,728
Island of Rodrigues	1,570	2,193	2,489	2,825	2,842
Republic of Mauritius	17,180	19,432	20,191	20,447	20,570

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Table 5 - Contribution to the National Pensions Fund (NPF), 2008/2009 and 2010 - 2013

	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 ^{2/}
No. of employers ^{1/} contributing to the Fund (000)	18.1	19.1	19.5	20.0	20.0
No. of employees contributing to the Fund (000)	301.9	302.2	307.4	311.4	318.7
Amount contributed by employers and employees (Rs Mn)	1,842.1	2,108.2	2,317.8	2,477.7	2,696.5
Surcharge paid by employers (Rs Mn)	2.5	4.3	5.2	4.7	5.5
Size of the NPF (Rs Mn) as at end of financial year	60,132.5	69,392.8	74,275.6	79,500.7	80,000.0

 $^{^{1/}}$ including the self employed and those who have contributed at least once during the financial year

^{2/} provisional

Table 6 - Contribution to the National Savings Fund (NSF), 2008/2009 and 2010 -2013

	2008/2009	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 1/
No. of employers contributing to Fund ('000)	17.8	18.9	19.2	19.7	19.6
No. of employees belonging to the Fund ('000)	357.7	367.2	375.4	378.2	378.8
Amount contributed by employers (RsMn)	788.7	1,035.0	1,137.1	1,222.3	1,314.9
Surcharge paid by employers (RsMn)	0.8	1.9	0.7	0.6	0.6
No. of beneficiaries of Lump Sum:	12,792	5,990	7,581	8,099	7,697
of which Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS)	849	120	136	681	63
Total Lump Sum paid (RsMn)	210.7	206.8	278.1	316.3	369.7
of which VRS (RsMn)	28.3	4.7	7.1	38.0	4.2
Size of Fund (RsMn) as at end of financial year	10,500.0	12,774.0	14,175.4	16,107.5	16,700.0

^{1/} provisional

Table 7(a) - Number of beneficiaries of contributory pensions as at June 2009 and December 2010 - 2013, Republic of Mauritius

Pension type	June 2009	December 2010	December 2011	December 2012	December 2013 1/
Contributory Retirement Pension	47,579	54,880	60,000	66,069	72,221
Contributory Widow's Pension ^{2/}	17,884	19,670	20,851	21,940	23,263
Contributory Invalid's Pension	6,731	7,363	7,688	8,305	9,469
Contributory Orphan's Pension	117	134	139	155	168
Industrial Injury Benefits	871	913	866	841	822

^{1/} provisional

 $Table\ 7(b)\ -Amount\ paid\ to\ beneficiaries\ of\ contributory\ pensions\ 2008/2009\ and\ 2010\ -\ 2013\ Republic\ of\ Mauritius$

	Amount paid (Rs million)								
Pension type	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013 1/				
Contributory Retirement Pension	646.7	783.5	885.7	1,027.3	1,172.9				
Contributory Widow's Pension	180.2	222.0	248.6	285.8	321.6				
Contributory Invalid's Pension	32.3	37.5	41.4	48.0	54.6				
Contributory Orphan's Pension	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4				
Industrial Injury Benefits	31.7	34.7	35.5	42.5	39.4				

^{1/} provisional

^{2/} including widows of all ages

Table 8(a) - No. of cases receiving assistance from the National Solidarity Fund (NSF) by type, 2008/09 and 2010-2013, Republic of Mauritius

		Nı	umber of ca	ses	
Contingency	2008/09	2008/09 Jan to Dec Jan to 2010 2011		Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013
Medical treatment abroad (Air ticket only)	-	-	-	-	-
Personal Hardship Scheme:	720	1,798	1,602	1,912	1,775
- Multiple births	2	-	1	-	-
- Fire victims	15	5	-	-	-
- Natural calamities	19	-	-	-	115
- Tragic accidents	19	16	17	14	13
- Needy students	252	804	543	718	658
- Repatriation of mortal remains	4	5	3	6	1
- Destitute	158	464	608	654	499
- Medical case	212	455	387	484	444
- Centenarian	29	39	40	34	45
- Sale by levy (Hardship case)	10	10	3	2	-
Other	2	19	-	-	-
Total	722	1,817	1,602	1,912	1,775

Table 8(b) - Amount disbursed by the National Solidarity Fund (NSF) by type, $2008/09 \ and \ 2010\text{-}2013, \ Republic \ of \ Mauritius$

		Amo	unt paid (Rs	s 000)	
Contingency	2008/09	Jan to Dec 2010	Jan to Dec 2011	Jan to Dec 2012	Jan to Dec 2013
Medical treatment abroad (Air ticket only)	-	-	-	-	-
Personal Hardship Scheme:	12,748	20,573	15,336	17,577	14,730
- Multiple births	20	-	30	-	30
- Fire victims	106	29	-	-	-
- Natural calamities	84	-	-	-	314
- Tragic accidents	339	349	425	340	325
- Needy students	2,296	6,698	4,698	6,401	5,611
- Repatriation of mortal remains	145	150	85	150	50
- Destitute	1,097	3,293	3,402	3,350	2,510
- Medical case	3,951	7,055	5,696	6,378	5,408
- Centenarian	290	390	400	340	450
- Sale by levy (Hardship case)	4,420	2,609	600	618	32
Other	20	114	-	-	-
Total	12,768	20,687	15,336	17,577	14,730

Table 9 - Projected mid year population by broad age group and sex, Republic of Mauritius, 2013- 2053

Age-group		2013			2018			2023			2028			2033	
(years)	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Under 15	132.2	128.0	260.3	115.7	112.2	227.9	102.9	100.0	202.9	96.7	93.7	190.3	91.7	88.8	180.6
15 - 59	415.0	411.5	826.5	415.9	410.5	826.4	408.2	400.5	808.7	391.1	381.4	772.5	377.4	365.8	743.2
60 & over	75.6	96.3	171.9	94.0	117.0	211.0	114.0	139.7	253.7	132.5	161.1	293.6	141.0	171.4	312.4
Total	622.9	635.8	1,258.7	625.6	639.7	1,265.3	625.2	640.2	1,265.4	620.4	636.1	1,256.4	610.2	626.0	1,236.1
Pensioner support ratio ^{2/}	5.5	4.3	4.8	4.4	3.5	3.9	3.6	2.9	3.2	3.0	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.1	2.4
Index of ageing 3/	57.2	75.2	66.0	81.2	104.3	92.6	110.8	139.7	125.0	137.0	171.9	154.3	153.8	193.0	173.0

Age-group		2038		2043				2048		2053			
(years)	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	
Under 15	84.7	82.1	166.8	76.6	74.2	150.8	69.0	66.8	135.8	62.9	60.9	123.7	
15 - 59	359.1	345.4	704.5	336.1	320.0	656.1	318.5	301.2	619.7	294.7	276.7	571.4	
60 & over	149.9	181.6	331.5	159.5	192.0	351.5	159.6	191.5	351.1	162.8	192.8	355.6	
Total	593.7	609.1	1,202.8	572.2	586.2	1,158.4	547.1	559.5	1,106.6	520.3	530.4	1,050.7	
Pensioner support ratio ^{2/}	2.4	1.9	2.1	2.1	1.7	1.9	2.0	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.4	1.6	
Index of ageing 3/	177.0	221.2	198.7	208.2	258.8	233.1	231.3	286.7	258.5	258.8	316.6	287.5	

In thousands and based on 2011 Population Census data
Number of persons of working age (15-59 years) per old-age pensioner (aged 60 years and over)

^{3/} Number of persons aged 60 years and over per 100 children below 15 years

Table 10 - Projected number of beneficiaries and estimated future costs of basic pension, Republic of Mauritius, 2013 - 2053

(a) Actual & projected no. of beneficiaries 1/ by pension type as at December, 2013 - 2053

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ъ	Actual		Projected number of beneficiaries							
Pension type	number Dec 2013	2018	2023	2028	2033	2038	2043	2048	2053	
Basic Retirement Pension	177.7	211.0	253.7	293.6	312.4	331.5	351.5	351.1	355.6	
of whom										
Severely handicapped ^{2/}	16.8	19.3	23.3	28.0	32.9	37.4	41.4	43.9	45.2	
Basic Widow's Pension	20.5	21.4	21.4	20.6	21.4	21.2	19.6	19.6	18.3	
Basic Invalid's Pension of whom	30.9	31.2	30.9	30.1	29.8	28.8	27.1	26.1	24.2	
Severely handicapped ^{3/}	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.1	5.7	5.5	5.1	
Basic Orphan's Pension	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	
Guardian's Allowance	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	
Child's Allowance	18.0	16.5	14.5	12.8	12.0	11.3	10.5	9.5	8.6	
of whom children of beneficiaries of:										
Basic Retirement Pension	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	
Basic Widow's Pension	6.4	5.9	5.2	4.5	4.2	4.0	3.7	3.4	3.0	
Basic Invalid's Pension	10.9	9.8	8.7	7.7	7.3	6.9	6.3	5.7	5.2	
Other ^{4/}	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	

^{1/} provisional

(b) Actual & estimated future costs (Rs Mn) by pension type, 2013-2053

(Rs Mn)

Pension type	Actual	Actual Estimated future costs at 2013 pension rates							
rension type	2013 ^{1/}	2018	2023	2028	2033	2038	2043	2048	2053
Basic Retirement Pension (including Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension and Child's Allowance)	8,737	10,503	12,588	14,611	15,640	16,785	18,062	18,295	18,696
Basic Widow's Pension (including Child's Allowance)	953	961	947	905	935	923	854	849	794
Basic Invalid's Pension (including Carer's Allowance and Child's Allowance)	1,517	1,582	1,551	1,497	1,477	1,425	1,338	1,285	1,190
Basic Orphan's Pension ^{2/} (including Guardian's Allowance)	26	23	21	18	17	16	15	13	12

^{1/} provisional

² drawing the Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension

^{3/} drawing Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)

^{4/} children of previous beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

includes also allowances to children of previous beneficiaries of Basic Retirement Pension or Basic Widow's Pension or Basic Invalid's Pension

Table 11 - Non-contributory benefits by type and rate payable, 2008/2009 and 2010-2013

D		Monthly a	amount pay	yable (Rs)	
Pension type	2008/09	2010	2011	2012	2013
Basic Retirement Pension (BRP):					
(60-69) years	2,802	3,048	3,146	3,350	3,494
(70-89) years	2,802	3,048	3,146	3,350	3,494
(90-99) years	8,335	9,067	9,357	9,975	10,404
100 years and over	9,461	10,292	10,621	11,320	11,807
Basic Widow's Pension (BWP)	2,523	2,745	2,833	3,020	3,150
Basic Invalid's Pension (BIP)	2,523	2,745	2,833	3,020	3,150
Basic Orphan's Pension (BOP)					
(i) Under 15 years and not in full time education	1,398	1,520	1,569	1,673	1,745
(ii) 3 years and up to 20 years and in full time education	2,572	2,798	2,888	3,079	3,211
Guardian's Allowance:(Under the National Pensions Act)	616	670	691	737	769
Child's Allowance:(Under the National Pensions Act)					
(0 - 9) years	818	890	918	979	1,021
(10-19) years	876	953	983	1,048	1,093
Enhanced Basic Retirement Pension 1/:					
(60-69) years	4,568	4,969	5,128	5,463	5,698
(70-89) years	4,568	4,969	5,128	5,463	5,698
(90-99) years	10,101	10,988	11,339	12,088	12,608
100 years and over	11,227	12,213	12,603	13,433	14,011
Additional Basic Invalid's Pension (Carer's Allowance)	1,528	1,662	1,715	1,828	1,907
Social Aid (minimum amount payable)	681	741	765	815	850
Food Aid	100	119	246	246	257
Income Support (as from 1 July 2006)	100	119	246	246	257
Inmate's Allowance: (a) Charitable Institutions	433	471	486	518	540
(b) Brown Sequard Hospital:					
Under 60 years	631	686	708	755	788
(60-69) years	701	762	786	838	874
(70-89) years	701	762	786	838	874
(90-99) years	2,084	2,267	2,339	2,494	2,601
Unemployment Hardship Relief (Minimum)	178	194	200	213	222
Minimum Contributory Retirement Pension	379	412	425	453	472
			Daily	•	
Indoor Relief :					
Under 60 years	154	168	173	184	192
(60-89) years	169	184	190	203	212
(90-99) years	437	475	490	522	544
100 years and over	450	490	506	539	562

^{1/} Inclusive of Basic Retirement Pension