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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP)

Initiation of UPS Claim request by NPS Subscriber Retirees till March 31, 2025

Form B2 - Retirees till Mar 31, 2025

Version 1.2

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1	05.04.2025	1.0	-	Initial Version
2	30.06.2025	1.1	-	Provision of replenishment Option to the Subscribers
3	14.08.2025	1.2	-	Dual OTP Authentication at the time of Final Submission of the Form – B2 request



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1. Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Expansion	
CRA	Central Recordkeeping Agency	
DDO	Drawing & Disbursing Officer	
NPS	National Pension System	
ОТР	One Time Password	
PAO	Pay & Accounts Office	
PFRDA	Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority	
PRAN	Permanent Retirement Account Number	
UIDAI	Unique Identification Authority of India	
UPS	Unified Pension Scheme	



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2. Preface

The Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) has been introduced as an option under the National Pension System (NPS) by the Central Government for the Central Government employees covered under NPS so that they may receive an assured payout after their retirement. It is a 'fund-based' payout system which relies on the regular and timely accumulation and investment of applicable contributions (from both the employee and the employer (the Central Government)) for grant of monthly payout to the retiree.

The Unified Pension Scheme has been made operational from April 1st, 2025.

Central Government Subscribers who retire by March 31, 2025 can claim UPS Benefits. These Subscribers can initiate the claim process online through the <u>e-NPS</u> portal or can submit <u>Form B2</u> to the associated DDO. Online request needs to be verified by DDO and needs to be authorized by PAO.

Further, Subscribers with Date of Retirement(DoR) till March 31, 2025 will be given a one-time opportunity to replenish the shortfall, to become eligible for full UPS payout when they are claiming for UPS benefits. This option will be available for Superannuation cases and Retirement under FR 56(J).

Replenishment will be permitted for Subscribers for the following conditions:

Condition 1: The Subscriber has opted for a lumpsum withdrawal from NPS .

Condition 2: The Individual Corpus is less than the Benchmark Corpus as on the date of retirement (due to investment choice *or* partial withdrawals made by the Subscriber).

The Subscriber will be able to replenish when the request is raised through the eNPS portal.



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3. <u>Steps to initiate UPS Claim request by NPS Subscriber Superannuated till March</u> 31, 2025

In order to initiate UPS Claim request, retired NPS Subscriber needs to visit https://enps.nsdl.com/ and click on Menu "Claim UPS Benefits (Retirees till 31-Mar-25)". Please refer below Figure 1.

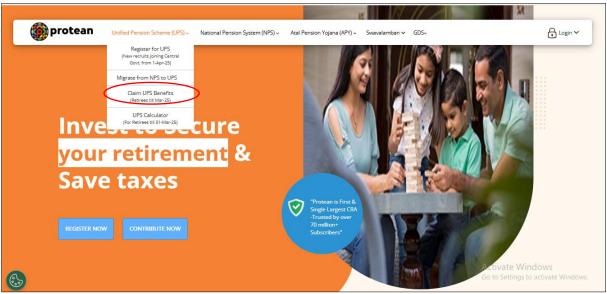


Figure 1

Subscriber needs to enter his/her NPS PRAN, DOB in given format. Further, there will be two radio buttons to receive an OTP i.e. SMS and Email. Subscriber needs to select any one of the radio buttons to receive an OTP on mobile no./Email ID registered in CRA. After selecting option of receiving OTP, Subscriber needs to enter Captcha and click on "Verify PRAN" button as shown below in Figure 2.

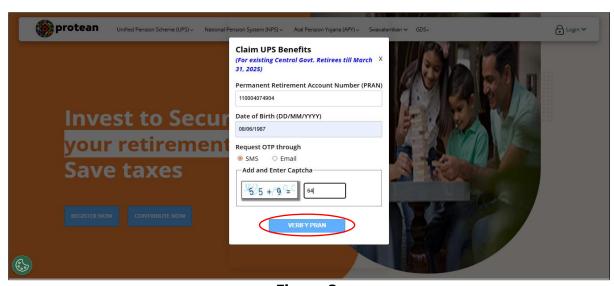


Figure 2



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At this stage, Subscriber needs to enter OTP, as received by the User on his/her Mobile number registered in the CRA database and enter the same as displayed below in **Figure 3**.

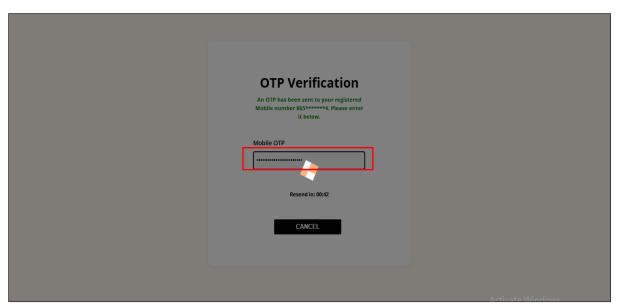


Figure 3

After entering OTP, "**Declaration**" screen will be displayed to the Subscriber. Subscriber needs to select the check box Accepting the UPS withdrawal declaration and click on "**Submit**" button. Please refer below **Figure 4.**

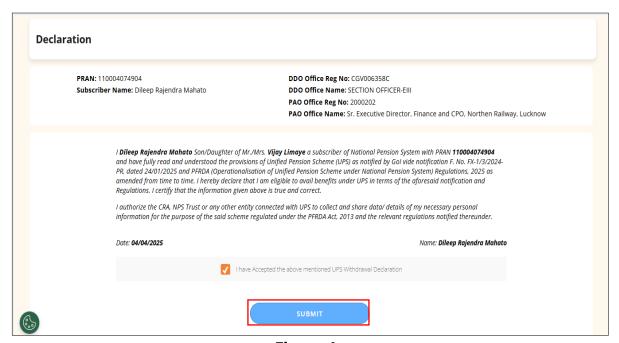


Figure 4



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After clicking on the 'Submit' button, 'Contact Details Verification' screen will be displayed to the Subscriber. At this stage, Subscriber needs to verify his/her Contact details. Subscriber will be allowed to modify/edit contact details (Mobile No. and Email ID) at the time of initiation of UPS Claim request. Mobile number and Email ID will be verified through One Time Password (OTP). Please refer below Figure 5.



Figure 5

- For Mobile Number verification, One Time Password (OTP) will be sent on Mobile Number entered above. Subscriber needs to enter OTP at the designated place to verify Mobile Number.
- For Email ID verification, One Time Password (OTP) will be sent on Email ID entered above. Subscriber needs to enter OTP at the designated place to verify Email ID. Process similar to mobile number update to be followed. Please refer below **Figure 6**, **7**, **8**, **9 and 10**.

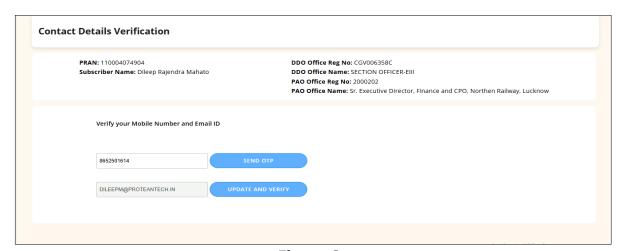


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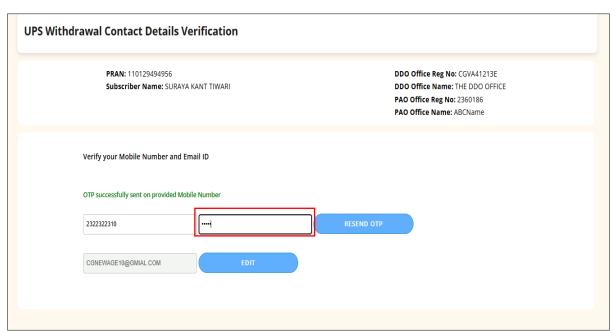


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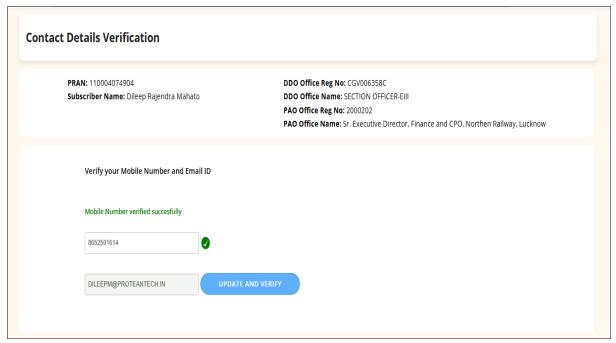


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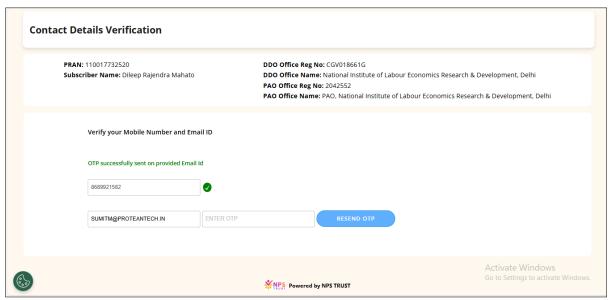


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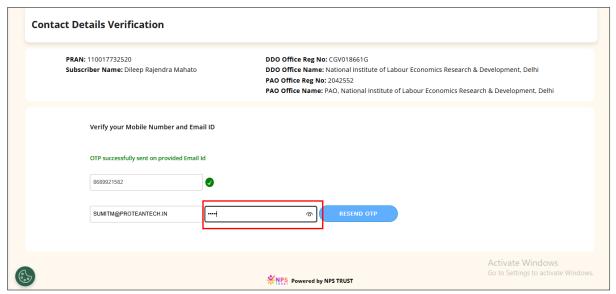


Figure 10



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At this stage, 'KYC Details Confirmation' screen will be displayed to the Subscriber. Subscriber needs to select any one of the options and complete eKYC process. As Subscriber has selected option "Aadhaar", he/she needs to enter his/her Aadhaar Number. Further, Subscriber needs to click on check box to accept the terms and conditions and click on "Generate OTP" tab. Please refer below Figure 11 with Option "Aadhaar".

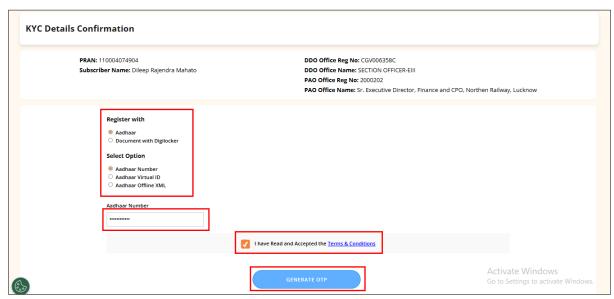


Figure 11

On clicking "Generate OTP" tab, System will display Pop-up message regarding Aadhaar consent. Click on 'Terms and Conditions' (blue text) (Ref Fig 11 above) and click on "Accept" button as shown below in Figure 12.

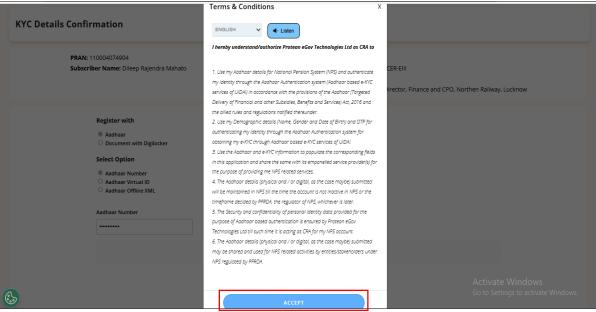


Figure 12



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Subscriber will receive an OTP from *UIDAI (Aadhaar)* on Mobile Number registered with Aadhaar. Subscriber needs to enter OTP and click on check box and then click on "Confirm" button. Please refer below **Figure 13**.

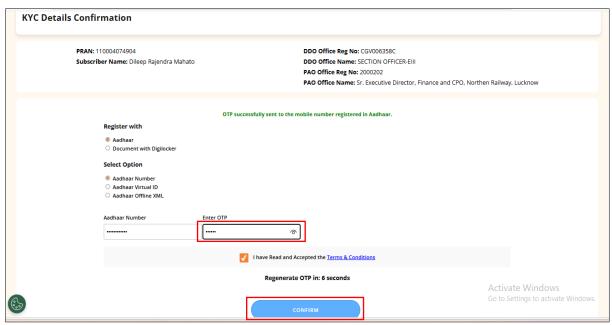


Figure 13

On clicking "Confirm" button, System will display Pop-up message regarding KYC Information. Subscriber needs to read and click on "Confirm" button as shown below in Figure 14.

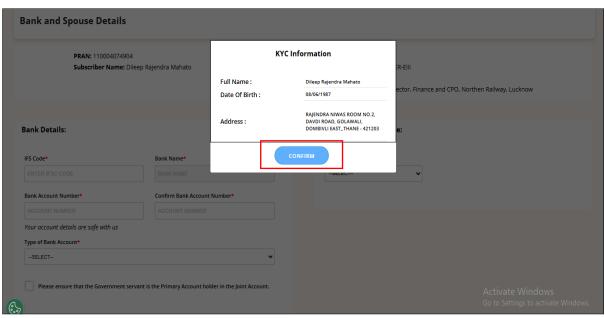


Figure 14



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At this stage, Subscriber needs to enter Bank and Legally wedded Spouse details if married else to select 'unmarried' option. The bank details in now an editable field. After entering Bank and spouse details, select "Confirm" button to proceed further. Please refer below **Figure 15**, **16 and 17**. In the absence of Legally Wedded Spouse, the details of the Bank account on single name needs to be provided.

At this stage, Bank Account No., Bank IFS Code and Name of the Subscriber will be verified through online Bank Account Verification (Penny drop facility). On successful verification, Subscriber will be allowed to proceed further.

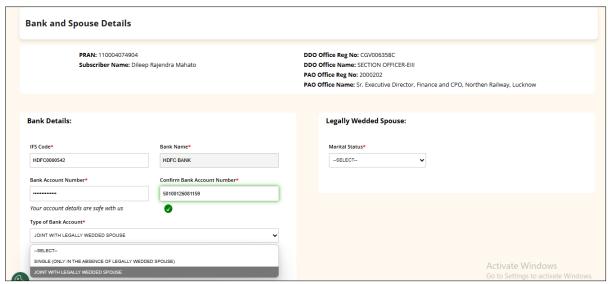


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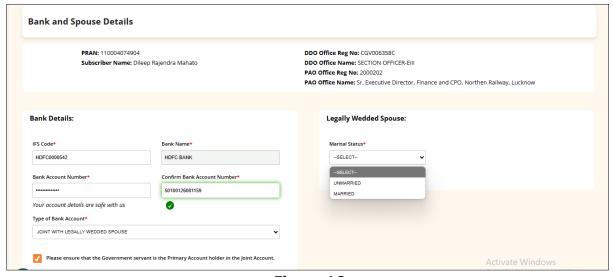


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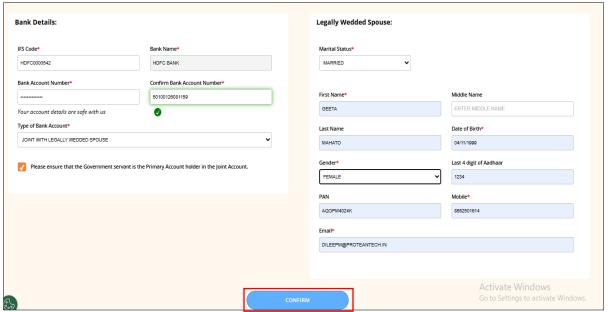


Figure 17

Once the Subscriber clicks on the 'confirm' button, document upload page will be displayed where in the Subscriber needs to upload the copy of proof of bank details, joint photograph with Legally wedded spouse and his specimen signature and click on 'Proceed' button. Please refer below **Figure 18**.

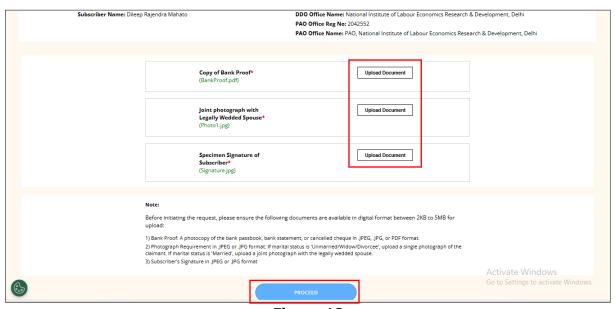


Figure 18



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At this stage, after clicking on "Proceed" button, Subscriber needs to proceed with OTP Authentication or eSign. UPS Claim request will get initiated in CRA system only after successful OTP Authentication or eSign, as per the choice of the Subscriber. Please refer below **Figure 19**.

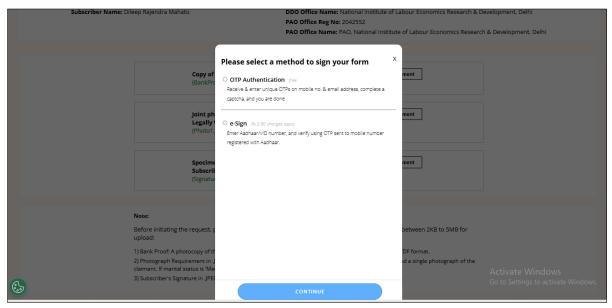


Figure 19

Following steps may be followed for Submission of UPS Claim request either through OTP Authentication or eSign:

Submission of UPS Claim request through OTP Authentication:

• Two distinct One Time Password (OTPs) will be sent on Mobile Number and email ID registered in CRA.

or

Submission of UPS Claim request through eSign:

- One Time Password (OTP) will be sent on Mobile Number registered with Aadhaar.
- eSign will be successful only when the Name of the Subscriber in the CRA database is an exact match with the Name of the Subscriber in the Aadhaar database. Else an error message shall be displayed and further corrections shall have to be undertaken by the Subscriber.



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Process for completion of UPS Claim request using OTP Authentication:

Subscriber needs to select "OTP Authentication" radio button and then click on "Continue" tab. Please refer below Figure 20.

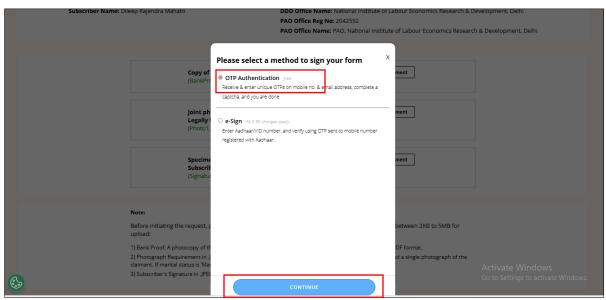


Figure 20

After selecting the "Continue" Tab, Dual OTP Authentication screen will be displayed to the User. User needs to enter One Time Password (OTP) sent on Mobile Number and email ID registered in CRA at the designated place. Please refer below **Figure 21**.



Figure 21



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• Process for completion of UPS Claim request using e-Sign:

Subscriber needs to select "e-Sign" radio button and then click on "Continue" tab. Please refer below Figure 22.

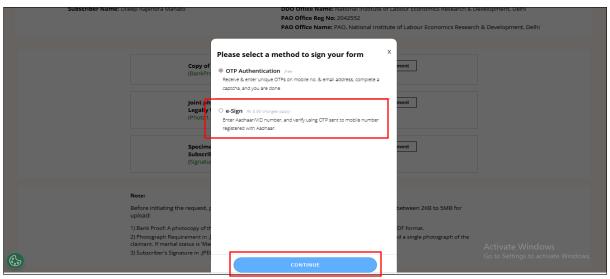


Figure 22

After selecting "Continue" Tab, system will redirect Subscriber to eSign Service Provider's Webpage. Subscriber needs to enter his/her Aadhaar/Virtual ID and click on "Send OTP" button to receive OTP. Subscriber will receive an OTP from UIDAI (Aadhaar) on Mobile Number registered with Aadhaar. Please refer below **Figure 23**.

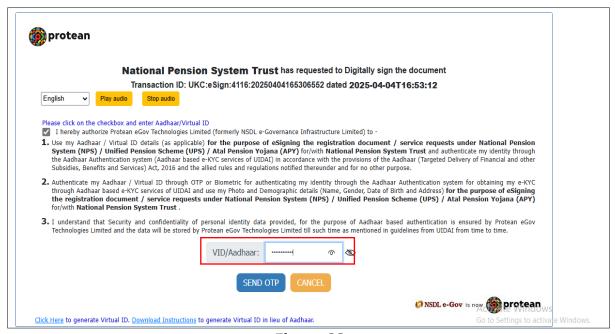


Figure 23



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Once OTP is received, Subscriber needs to enter OTP and click on "Verify OTP" button to complete eSigning of the request. Please refer below **Figure 24**.

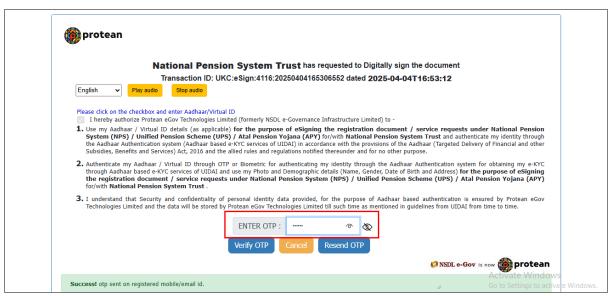


Figure 24

Once Subscriber clicks on "Verify OTP" button, UPS Claim request will get initiated.

Please note - If the name recorded in the NPS account (as per CRA records) does not match the name on the subscriber's Aadhaar, the eSign process will fail. In such cases, the claim must be submitted physically to the DDO using Form B2, along with the necessary supporting documents as specified, for claim processing by the DDO in the CRA system.

Provision for Replenishment

Once eSign is successfully completed, the Subscriber will be given an option to replenish the corpus deficit — due to:

The lump sum amount withdrawn at the time of NPS exit

And / Or

• The shortfall between the individual corpus and the Benchmark corpus arising from partial withdrawals or scheme changes made by subscriber during the Subscriber's service period.



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Replenishment option screen as shown below will be displayed. The User may select the "Yes" option to replenish the amount.

If the Subscriber is not willing to replenish the mentioned deficit, then the User may select the radio button as "No" and click on "Submit" button. Refer below Figure 25.

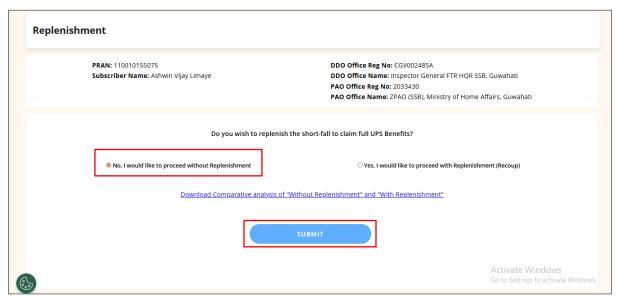


Figure 25

On submission of request, Acknowledgement Number will get generated for Claiming UPS benefits. At this stage, option is provided to Subscriber to download eSigned Withdrawal Form. Please refer below **Figure 26**.

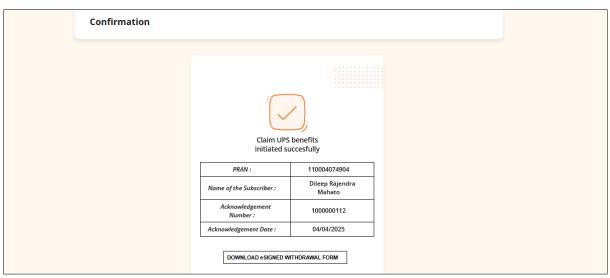


Figure 26

This UPS Claim benefits will be verified further by DDO and authorized by the PAO.



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4. Replenishment (recoup) of the shortfall in Corpus Funds:

Subscribers with Date of Retirement till 31-March-25 will be given a one-time opportunity to replenish the shortfall to become eligible for full UPS payout benefits when they are availing for UPS withdrawal (B2 form). This option will be available for superannuation and retirement under 56J.

Replenishment will be permitted for Subscribers under either of the following conditions:

Condition 1: The subscriber has opted for a lumpsum withdrawal.

Condition 2: The Individual Corpus is less than the Benchmark Corpus as on the date of retirement.

The subscriber will be able to replenish only when Subscriber is initiating the request through eNPS.

Process flow for *Replenishment'* (Recoup) option as follows:

If a user selects 'With Replenishment' (Recoup) option (refer screen 25 above), then system will display below **Figure 27**. Kindly note that comparative analysis is available to take informed decision.

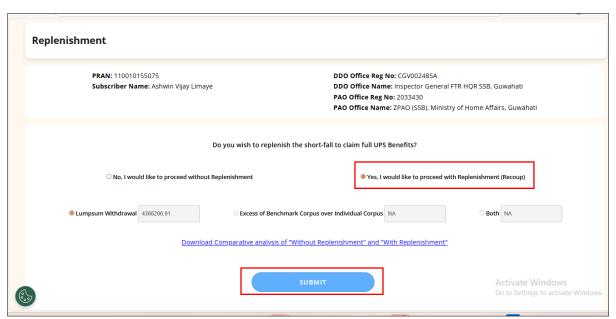


Figure 27



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On clicking 'Submit' button, the system will display the following page to make Replenishment payment where the selected amount will be prepopulated. Subscriber needs to select any Payment Gateway (Razorpay or Billdesk) and select the Declaration box and accept the Terms and conditions. Please refer below Figure 28 & 29

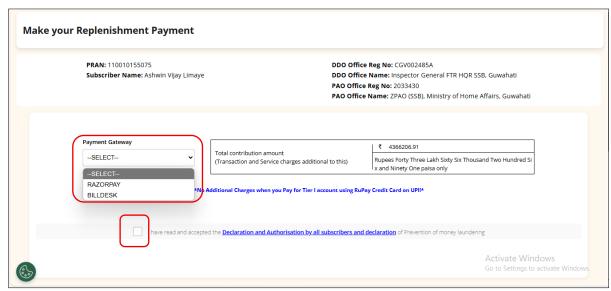


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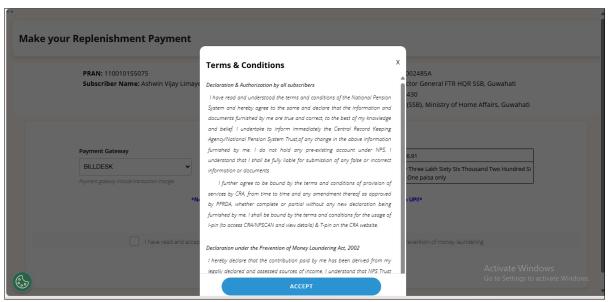


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After Acceptance of declaration, Subscriber needs to click on Proceed button to make payment. Please refer below **Figure 30**.

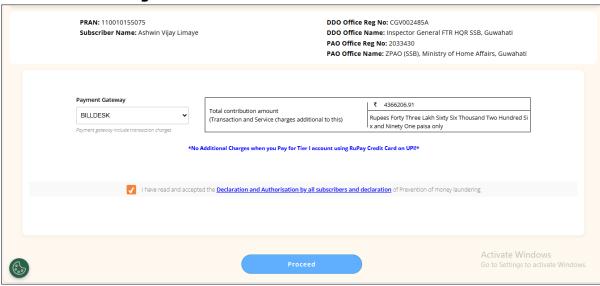


Figure 30

Subscribers need to complete the payment procedure as shown in **Figures 31**, **32** & **33** below.

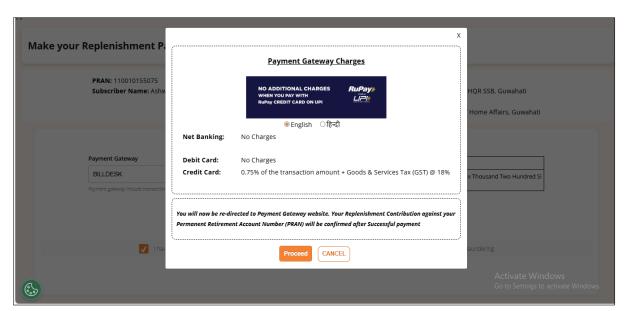


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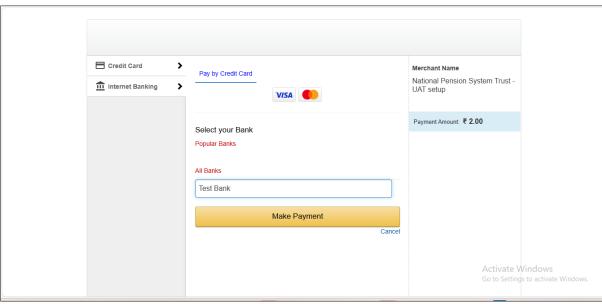


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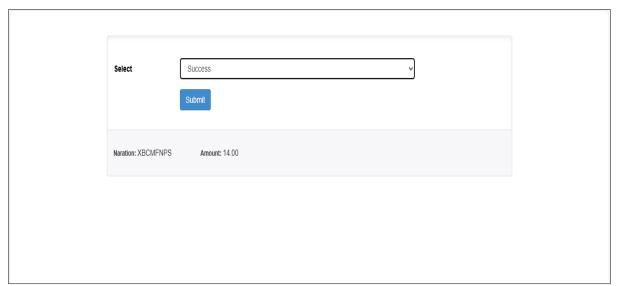


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After successful payment, the system will generate acknowledgement number. Subscriber can save or take print out of payment receipt. Also, System generated form is available for download and reference. Please refer below **Figure 34**.

The request submission is now complete from the Subscriber and the online request will be routed to the DDO mapped to the subscriber for further processing.



Figure 34

In case, Subscriber is not able to initiate UPS Claim request, then Subscriber can submit the physical request (Form B2) to the associated Nodal Office.
