

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 14th DECEMBER 2015**

Question

Will the Chief Minister inform members what progress, if any, has been made towards solving the ongoing dispute between the States Employment Board and representatives of public sector employees over pay and conditions in the light of above inflation pay rises in the private sector?

Answer

The States Employment Board's Officers continue to negotiate with the Joint Trade Unions on a revised offer for a two year pay settlement, covering 2015 and 2016 . A meeting took place between officers and trade unions last week and another meeting is planned for this week.

One of the pay groups has responded via their executive, indicating rejection of the offer. However the respective staff have not been formally balloted.

Officers will continue to work actively to resolve the pay negotiations.