

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1075  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019**

**WOMEN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**

**1075. CH. SUKHRAM SINGH YADAV:  
SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:  
SHRIMATI CHHAYA VERMA:**

**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the current unemployment rate in the country;**
- (b) whether it is a fact that the unemployment is steadily increasing in the country in which women unemployment is relatively increasing on a higher rate;**
- (c) the rate of increase in unemployment of women and men respectively during last three years and the number of employment opportunities made available during said period;**
- (d) whether it is a fact that the rate of unemployment among urban women remained on higher side in comparison to rural women; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a to e): As per the results of annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation during 2017-18 and annual employment-unemployment survey conducted by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, the estimated unemployment rate on usual status (principal status + subsidiary status) basis for the persons of age 15 years and above to the extent available is given below:**

<b>Unemployment Rate (in %)</b>				
<b>Region</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Survey by Labour Bureau</b>		<b>Survey by NSS(PLFS)</b>
		<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2017-18</b>
<b>Rural</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>5.7</b>
	<b>Female</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>3.8</b>
	<b>Person</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>5.3</b>
<b>Urban</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>6.9</b>
	<b>Female</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>10.8</b>
	<b>Person</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>
<b>Rural + Urban</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>6.1</b>
	<b>Female</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>5.6</b>
	<b>Person</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>6.0</b>

**(Note: Survey methodology and sample selection are different in PLFS and Labour Bureau survey)**

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