

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
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GENERATION OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

- (a) the details of series of action taken to generate employment opportunities in the country under various schemes;**
- (b) the number of job opportunities created in the last three years and the number of youths joined in the unemployment figure; and**
- (c) whether the rate of unemployment is increasing year to year and if so, the steps taken to ease the unemployment situation?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
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(a) to (c): Government has taken various steps for generating employment across the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast-tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes such as Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Deendayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Ministry of Rural Development and Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, respectively. Employment generated through these schemes/ programmes in country to the extent available is given at Annexure.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) has been initiated by Government inter alia, for facilitating self-employment. Under PMMY collateral free loans upto Rs. 10 lakh, are extended to micro/small business enterprises and to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities. As on 31.01.2020, over 22.53 crore loans amounting to Rs. 11.20 lakh crore have been extended to borrowers across the country under the scheme.

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) is the flagship scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE). The objective of this Skill Certification Scheme is to enable a large number of Indian youth to take up industry-

relevant skill training that will help them in securing a better livelihood. As on 17.01.2020, 73.47 lakhs youths have been trained while 16.61 lakhs candidates have been placed under this programme. Further, under Craftsman Training Scheme, long term training in 137 trades is being imparted through 15697 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) which have a cumulative seating capacity of 34.30 lakhs.

Besides these initiatives, flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Digital India, Swachh Bharat Mission, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Housing for All, Infrastructure development and Industrial corridors have the potential to generate productive employment opportunities. Ministries/ Departments/ States run skill development schemes across various sectors to improve the employability of youth and also facilitate placements. Schemes such as the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) wherein Government reimburses 25 percent of the stipend payable to apprentices also enhances employability of the youth to access employment.

As per the results of Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Sample Survey Office, Ministry of Statistics and programme Implementation during 2017-2018 and Annual Employment-Unemployment Surveys conducted by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, the estimated Worker Population Ratio on usual status (principal status+subsidiary status) basis for persons aged 15 years and above (which includes both Public and Private) is to the extent available given below:

Worker Population Ratio (in %)	
Survey Year	All-India
2017-18 (PLFS)	46.8
Survey by Labour Bureau	
2015-16	50.5

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

Further, the estimated unemployment rate for the persons aged 15 years and above on usual status (principal status + subsidiary status) basis to the extent available in the country is given below:

Unemployment Rate (in %)	
Survey	All-India
2017-18 (PLFS)	6.0%
2015-16 (Labour Bureau)	3.7%

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

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA
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Schemes/Year	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Estimated employment generated under PMEGP (in lakh)	3.23	4.08	3.87	5.87	2.58 (As on 31.12.2019)
Persondays Generated under MGNREGS (in crore)	235.14	235.64	233.74	267.99	205.77 (As on 28.01.2020)
Candidates placed under DDU-GKY (in lakh)	1.09	1.48	0.76	1.38	1.25 (Till January,2020)
Trained Candidates placed under(EST&P) under DAY-NULM (in lakh)	0.34	1.52	1.15	1.78	0.44 (as on 27-1-2020)