GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT **RAJYA SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2030

TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH MARCH, 2020

NATIONAL CAREER SERVICE PROJECT

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

- (a) what is the present status of unemployment rate on usual status (principal status and subsidiary status) for persons of age 15 years and above in the country:
- what steps have been taken by Government for employment generation in the (b) country besides encouraging private sector of the economy;
- (c) the present status of the National Career Service (NCS) project which comprises a digital platform for the job-seekers; and
- whether there is an imbalance between the demand and supply of employment (d) and whether Government is going to propose a scheme to correct it?

ANSWER

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

- (a): As per the results of annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Implementation during 2017-18, 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 was 6.0%.
- (b): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging 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 Deendyal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM)

Under Skill India Mission, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing a flagship scheme known as the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal VikasYojana (PMKVY) 2016-20 with an objective to provide skilling to one crore people under Short Term Training (STT) and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) across the country for four years i.e. 2016-2020.

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.

(c & d): Government has implemented the National Career Service (NCS) Project which comprises a digital portal that provides a nation-wide online platform for the job seekers and employers for job-matching in a dynamic, efficient and responsive manner and has a repository of career content for job seekers. These services are available online on the National Career Service Portal (www.ncs.gov.in). The progress of NCS Portal is given below:

Parameters	Number (As on 29 th Feb, 2020)
Active Job seekers Registered	1.09 crores
Active Employers Registered	52,841
Vacancies Mobilised	67 lakh

The NCS Project also envisaged setting up of Model Career Centres (MCCs) in collaboration with States and other institutions to deliver employment related services. The Government has approved establishment of 200 Model Career Centres across the country. The NCS Project has also been enhanced to interlink Employment Exchanges with NCS Portal along with part funding for up-gradation of Employment Exchanges and for organising job fairs. As of now, grant-in-aid has been provided to 25 State/UTs covering 766 employment exchanges as per the proposals received from State/UTs Governments.
