

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2675
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH AUGUST, 2021**

UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG THE YOUTHS OF RAJASTHAN

2675. SHRI HARSHVARDHAN SINGH DUNGARPUR:

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

- (a) the rate of unemployment among the youths of Rajasthan in the last five years;**
- (b) whether COVID-19 had hampered the employment opportunity of the youths of Rajasthan;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof;**
- (d) the details of the percentage of youth employed in public and private sectors in Rajasthan, over the last five years;**
- (d) the percentage details of the educational qualification of youth currently unemployed in Rajasthan; and**
- (e) the steps taken by Government to address unemployment among youths?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (e): Annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) on employment and unemployment is conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. The annual PLFS data is available upto 2019-20. As per the results of annual PLFS, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) for persons of age 15 to 29 years on usual status in the State of Rajasthan to the extent available during 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-20 was as under:

PLFS (Year)	WPR	UR
2017-18	32.9	14.3
2018-19	32.8	16.6
2019-20	37.9	13.1

As per the results of annual PLFS, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) for persons of age 15 years and above on usual status basis for different education levels in the State of Rajasthan to the extent available during 2019-20 was as under:

General Education Level	Unemployment Rate(in %)
Upto Primary	2.2
Middle	2.5
Secondary	3.0
Higher secondary	5.4
Diploma/Certificate Course	14.1
Graduate	22.8
Post Graduate & above	16.9

COVID-19 pandemic has affected all sections of the society. Government has taken several initiatives to address the challenges and threats posed by the pandemic. Fiscal stimulus of more than Rs. Twenty-seven lakh crore is being provided as part of the Aatmanirbhar financial Package, comprising of various long-term schemes/programmes/policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) has been launched w.e.f. 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment along with social security benefits and restoration of employment. The terminal date for registration of beneficiary under the scheme has been extended from 30th June, 2021 to 31st March, 2022.

PM- SVANidhi Scheme has facilitated collateral free working capital loan upto Rs.10,000/- for one-year tenure to street vendors, to help them resume their businesses during the post Covid period.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) is being implemented by the 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.

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 the youth to take up industry-relevant skill training that will help them in securing a better livelihood and to meet their employment as well as self employment requirement.

In addition, to enhance the employment generation, Government is encouraging various projects involving substantial investment and through public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Deendayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) and Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs and Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE), respectively.

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 and Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme have the potential to generate productive employment opportunities.
