

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *31
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 2019**

EMPLOYMENT CREATED IN FORMAL AND NON-FORMAL SECTORS

***31. SHRI BINOY VISWAM:**

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

- (a) the number of jobs created by Government in both formal and non-formal sectors during the last three years;**
- (b) the details of the new jobs created in both formal and non-formal sectors during the last three years, sector-wise;**
- (c) the latest source of data which supports Government's claim that it had created new employment;**
- (d) whether Government has officially discontinued to publish any annual data related to employment, unemployment and market situation during the last four and half years; and**
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*31
DUE FOR REPLY ON 06.02.2019 BY SHRI BINOY VISWAM REGARDING “EMPLOYMENT
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(a) to (c): 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 private sector of economy, fast-tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing 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) and Deendyal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM).

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 small/micro business enterprises and to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities. Till 25TH January, 2019, total 15.59 crore loans have been sanctioned under the scheme.

Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) has been launched by the Ministry of Labour and Employment for incentivising employers for promoting employment generation. Under this scheme, Government is paying entire employer’s contribution (12% or as admissible) towards EPF and EPS for all eligible new employees for all sectors for 3 years. Till 28-01-2019, the scheme covered 1.30 lakh establishments and 1.05 crore beneficiaries.

Government has been taking various steps to boost industrial development, capital formation and employment generation in the country like Make in India, Startup India and Ease of Doing Business initiatives. Government has initiated labour reforms to create an enabling environment to facilitate ease of doing business, ease of compliance, transparency, accountability and extending the social security coverage for the unorganised workers.

(d) & (e): To ascertain employment and unemployment situation in the country, National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation conducts labour force surveys on employment and unemployment. The last such survey by NSSO was conducted during 2011-12. In addition, Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment also conducts surveys on Employment-Unemployment and the last available result is for 2015-16.

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has initiated the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS). The primary objective of PLFS is to measure quarterly changes of key Labour Force Indicators (such as Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and Unemployment Rate (UR) in urban area as well as to generate the annual estimates of different labour force indicators both in rural and urban areas.
