GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4080 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07TH APRIL, 2022

ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT ROJGAR YOJANA (ABRY)

4080. DR. AMEE YAJNIK:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has started Atmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana (ABRY) for the creation of new employment;
- (b) if so, the details of new employment generation, under this initiative, State-wise;
- (c) whether financial assistance has been provided by Government to both employers and employees under this initiative and the details thereof, State-wise;
- (d) whether Government has any direct financial scheme to help the informal sector workers; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) has been launched with effect from 1st October, 2020 as part of Atmanirbhar Bharat package 3.0 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment along with social security benefits and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic. Under the scheme, Government of India for a period of two years, is crediting both the employee's share (12% of wages) and employer's share (12% of wages) of contribution payable or only the employee's share, depending on employment strength of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) registered establishments. This scheme intends to

reduce the financial burden of the employers and encourages them to hire more workers. The terminal date for registration of beneficiaries was extended from 30.06.2021 to 31.03.2022.

As on 30.03.2022, a total of 54.75 lakh employees have benefitted under the scheme. This includes 48.76 lakh new-joinees and 5.98 lakh employees who had lost their jobs during the pandemic and have rejoined as EPF members. The State-wise details of employers and employees beneficiaries and benefits disbursed is at Annexure.

Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than Rs. Twenty Seven lakh crore as part of the Aatmanirbhar financial Package. Aatmanirbhar Bharat package comprises of various long term schemes/ programmes/ policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

Further, to enhance employment/ entrepreneurship opportunities, including informal sector workers, Government is providing loans through various schemes like Prime Minister Street Vendor's Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) to provide working capital loan to Street Vendors, vending in urban areas, to resume their businesses, Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) under which 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, etc.

Besides these initiatives, various flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Start-up India, Standup India, Digital India, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Housing for All, Infrastructure Development and Industrial Corridors are also oriented towards generating employment opportunities.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 4080 due for reply on 07.04.2022

	Number of ABRY Beneficiaries (State-Wise) (As on 30.03.2022)			
SI. No.	State Name	Number of Beneficiary Establishments	Number of Beneficiary Employees	Total Benefit (In Rs.)
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	35	466	6561388
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	3635	147693	1310603055
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	13	130	902920
4	ASSAM	553	16919	126879366
5	BIHAR	1075	23706	272710047
6	CHANDIGARH	1477	59365	480903570
7	CHATTISGARH	2674	75257	679976294
8	DELHI	2886	209458	1510169140
9	GOA	502	19148	150283501
10	GUJARAT	14453	597491	4530999135
11	HARYANA	7021	363310	2814227072
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1976	77169	618279977
13	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	815	17426	184281272
14	JHARKHAND	2021	55724	541775539
15	KARNATAKA	9741	436700	3781401947
16	KERALA	2399	84821	793533665
17	LADAKH	12	168	1390505
18	MADHYA PRADESH	5691	185224	1714751390
19	MAHARASHTRA	20490	894574	6780790249
20	MANIPUR	42	921	8632725
21	MEGHALAYA	36	1131	23003260
22	MIZORAM	15	369	6805254
23	NAGALAND	14	220	1341712
24	ORISSA	3796	79610	780558045
25	PUNJAB	6035	155989	1521095313
26	RAJASTHAN	10444	298166	2398100886
27	SIKKIM	108	3522	38633526
28	TAMIL NADU	15099	737204	5080462727
29	TELANGANA	4923	259164	1777157012
30	TRIPURA	149	5323	50105519
31	UTTAR PRADESH	11415	389110	3628216166
32	UTTARAKHAND	2223	84651	716626900
33	WEST BENGAL	6946	195180	1539340152
	GRAND TOTAL	138714	5475309	43870499229
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