

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 427**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 05<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2020**

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM**

**427. SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:**  
**SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that after continuous efforts made by Government to curb the unemployment problem in the country, to some extent there is unemployment problem still prevailing in the country; and**
- (b) if so, whether Government is planning/proposed to be planned to set up a special committee to study the issue of unemployment in the country, if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) 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 various schemes. As per the results of annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation during 2017-18, 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 was 6.0%.**

**(b) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government at present. However, a Cabinet Committee on Employment and Skill Development was constituted under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister on 06/06/2019.**

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