

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 570  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2019**

**LOW EMPLOYMENT GENERATION RATE**

**570. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR:**

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that various data shows that employment generation has become low in recent three years;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any special task force has been set up to solve/increase employment in the country; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) & (b): The quinquennial labour force surveys on employment and unemployment were conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. The last such survey was conducted during 2011-12. Now, NSSO has switched to the annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) which was conducted during 2017-18. The estimated worker population ratio on usual status (principal status+subsidiary status) basis for the persons of all ages in the country during 2009-10, 2011-12 and 2017-18 is given below:**

<b>Worker Population Ratio (in %)</b>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Person</b>
<b>2017-18* (PLFS)</b>	<b>52.1</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>34.7</b>
<b>2011-12 (NSS 68<sup>th</sup> round)</b>	<b>54.4</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>38.6</b>
<b>2009-10 (NSS 66<sup>th</sup> round)</b>	<b>54.6</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>39.2</b>

**(Note: \*For comparability, the results of the PLFS with earlier rounds of NSS surveys need to be understood in the context with which the survey methodology and sample selection has been designed)**

**(c) & (d): A Task Force on improving employment data under Chairmanship of vice-chairman of NITI Aayog was set up. It has submitted its report in August, 2017. It has inter-alia recommended that in addition to the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), a new time-use survey be conducted and instituted by M/o Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI). It recommended for tapping administrative data from sources like Employee's Provident Fund Organization (EPFO), Employee State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) and National Pension Scheme (NPS) to collect data on certain category of workers.**

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