GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.575

TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st JULY, 2022

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE COUNTRY

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

- (a) whether the unemployment rate in the country has been rising in the years 2014-22 as compared to period 2009-2014;
- (b) the exact number of unemployed youths in the country as on date and the schemes that have been launched for their gainful employment;
- (c) the number of states in the country that have launched their own employment schemes and their achievement as on date; and
- (d) the employment schemes in the State of Goa and the number of youths who have been benefitted from them in the last five years?

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

(a) to (d): As per Annual Employment-Unemployment Survey conducted by the Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment during the year 2011-12 to 2016-17 and Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18, the State/UT-wise estimated Unemployment Rate on usual status for age 15 years and above since 2011-12 is as under:

Survey	Year	Unemployment Rate (in %)
	2011-12	3.3%
	2012-13	4.0%
Labour Bureau Survey	2013-14	3.4%
	2015-16	3.7%
	2016-17	3.9%
	2017-18	6.0%
Periodic Labour Force Survey	2018-19	5.8%
(PLFS)	2019-20	4.8%
	2020-21	4.2%

Source: PLFS, MoSPI and Labour Bureau

Results from both surveys viz. PLFS and Labour Bureau are not comparable due to different sampling methodology and coverage. PLFS covers seasonality of labour force as it is conducted during the period July to June (i.e. full year) whereas field work in Labour Bureau survey varied from 7 to 9 months and therefore, complete seasonality was not covered.

As per available Annual PLFS reports, the estimated, Unemployment Rate (UR) of youth on usual status for the age 15-29 years is 12.9% during the year 2020-21.

Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Accordingly, the Government of India has taken various steps for generating employment in the country. The Government of India has announced Aatmanirbhar Bharat package to provide stimulus to business and to mitigate the adverse impact of Covid 19. Under this package, the Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than Rupees Twenty Seven lakh crore. This package comprises of various long term schemes/ programmes/ policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) was launched with effect from 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic. The terminal date for registration of beneficiaries was 31.03.2022. As on 13.07.2022 benefits have been provided to 59.54 lakh beneficiaries.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) is being implemented by the Government 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. Upto 08.07.2022, 35.94 crore loans were sanctioned under the scheme.

Budget 2021-22 launched Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes, with an outlay of Rs. 1.97 lakh crore, for a period of 5 years starting from 2021-22. The PLI Schemes being implemented by the Government have potential for creating 60 lakh new jobs. All these initiatives are expected to collectively generate employment in the medium to long term through multiplier-effects.

PM GatiShakti is a transformative approach for economic growth and sustainable development. The approach is driven by seven engines, namely, Roads, Railways, Airports, Ports, Mass Transport, Waterways and Logistics Infrastructure. This approach is powered by Clean Energy and Sabka Prayas leading to huge job and entrepreneurial opportunities for all.

Government is implementing Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi Scheme) since June 01, 2020 to facilitate collateral free working capital loan to street vendors to restart their businesses, which were adversely impacted during the Covid-19 pandemic. As on July 11, 2022, 33.34 lakh loans amounting to ₹3,615 Crore have been disbursed to 30.26 lakh beneficiaries under the scheme.

The Government of India is encouraging various projects involving substantial investment and 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 Deen Dayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) etc. for employment generation.

Further, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Pradhan Mantri Kaushal VikasYojana (PMKVY) to enhance the employability of youth.

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

The information on States' employment schemes is not maintained Centrally in the Ministry. However, the major employment generation schemes of Government of India and their achievement in the State of Goa is at Annexure.

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) to (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 575 due for reply on 21.07.2022

Achievements under some of the major Employment Generation schemes in Goa

S. No.	Schemes	Achievements	
1	Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)	Since 2017-18 to 2022-23 (as on 30.06.2022) Estimated employment generated: 3040 persons	
2	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)	Since 2017-18 to 2022-23 (as on 13.07.2022) Persondays employment generated: 3.6 Lakh	
3	Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY- NULM)	Since 01.04.2014 to 28.02.2022 Candidates trained: 5636 Candidates placed: 2761	
4	Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY).	Since August 2016 to 31st March 2022 Beneficiaries benefitted: 26,025	
5	PM-SVANidhi	Since June 2020 to 12th July 2022 Loan applications Sanctioned: 1715	
6	Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)	Since 01.04.2017 to 31.03.2022 No. of loans sanctioned: 1,96,688 Sanctioned Amount: 2,554.3 crores	
7	Atmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY)	Since October 2020 to 13th July 2022 Number of Beneficiary Employees: 20,653 Number of Beneficiary Establishments: 534	