

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*99
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2021**

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE COUNTRY

***99. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD:**

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

- (a) the details of increase in the rate of unemployment during last three years;**
- (b) the figures for increase in unemployment due to imposition of lockdown during COVID19 period, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the figures regarding increase in unemployment after demonetization, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BHUPENDER YADAY)**

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *99 DUE FOR REPLY ON 28.07.2021 BY SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD REGARDING “UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN THE COUNTRY”.

(a) to (c): Annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) on employment and unemployment is conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. The annual PLFS data is available upto 2019-20 (survey period July 2019 to June 2020). As per the results of annual PLFS, the unemployment rate for persons of 15 years and above on usual status (principal status + subsidiary status) basis in the country to the extent available is as under:

PLFS (Year)	Unemployment Rate (in %)
2017-18	6.0
2018-19	5.8
2019-20	4.8
