

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1171
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11TH DECEMBER, 2023**

**NUMBER OF EDUCATED/SKILLED/UN-SKILLED SELF-EMPLOYED AND
UNEMPLOYED WOMEN**

1171. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

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

- (a) the number of educated, uneducated, skilled, unskilled, self-employed and unemployed women in the country at present, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) whether the employment opportunities for women have adequately increased during the last three years and the current year; and**
- (c) if so, the year-wise details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The data on Employment and Unemployment is collected through Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18. The survey period is July to June every year.

As per the latest available Annual PLFS Reports, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for women of age 15 years and above was 2.9% during the year 2022-23. The women unemployment rate has a declining trend. The State/UT-wise estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for women of age 15 years & above during 2022-23 are at Annexure-I.

Out of the total women workers, around 65.3% women workers were self-employed during 2022-23. The State/UT-wise percentage distribution of self-employed women during 2022-23 is at Annexure-II.

The estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) on usual status for women of age 15 years and above in the country during the period 2020-21 to 2022-23 are as follows:

Years	WPR (in%)
2020-21	31.4
2021-22	31.7
2022-23	35.9

Source: PLFS, MoSPI

The data indicates that the women WPR, indicating employment, has significantly increased to 35.9% during 2022-23 as compared to 31.4% in 2020-21.

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1171 due for reply on 11.12.2023

State/UT-wise details of Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for women of age 15 years and above during 2022-23 (in %)

S. No.	States/UTs	2022-23
1	Andhra Pradesh	4.0
2	Arunachal Pradesh	4.5
3	Assam	3.4
4	Bihar	1.6
5	Chhattisgarh	2.0
6	Delhi	2.2
7	Goa	14.7
8	Gujarat	1.3
9	Haryana	4.7
10	Himachal Pradesh	5.3
11	Jharkhand	0.6
12	Karnataka	2.4
13	Kerala	10.7
14	Madhya Pradesh	1.2
15	Maharashtra	2.3
16	Manipur	4.5
17	Meghalaya	8.2
18	Mizoram	3.0
19	Nagaland	3.5
20	Odisha	2.4
21	Punjab	8.7
22	Rajasthan	2.9
23	Sikkim	3.1
24	Tamil Nadu	4.7
25	Telangana	3.8
26	Tripura	1.1
27	Uttarakhand	4.2
28	Uttar Pradesh	1.8
29	West Bengal	2.0
30	Andaman & N. Island	19.8
31	Chandigarh	2.9
32	D & N Haveli and Daman & Diu	5.9
33	Jammu & Kashmir	6.5
34	Ladakh	6.0
35	Lakshadweep	14.4
36	Puducherry	5.8
All India		2.9

Source: PLFS, MoSPI

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State/UT-wise details of Self-employed women on usual status during 2022-23
(in %)

S. No.	States/UTs	2022-23
1	Andhra Pradesh	44.5
2	Arunachal Pradesh	85.9
3	Assam	73.9
4	Bihar	70.9
5	Chhattisgarh	71.3
6	Delhi	31.7
7	Goa	27.8
8	Gujarat	65.4
9	Haryana	50.3
10	Himachal Pradesh	86.5
11	Jharkhand	88.0
12	Karnataka	48.2
13	Kerala	37.8
14	Madhya Pradesh	70.7
15	Maharashtra	50.8
16	Manipur	80.7
17	Meghalaya	53.3
18	Mizoram	82.7
19	Nagaland	83.5
20	Odisha	75.5
21	Punjab	46.1
22	Rajasthan	82.6
23	Sikkim	76.3
24	Tamil Nadu	38.0
25	Telangana	59.2
26	Tripura	56.9
27	Uttarakhand	83.1
28	Uttar Pradesh	86.4
29	West Bengal	66.7
30	Andaman & N. Island	52.2
31	Chandigarh	17.7
32	D & N Haveli and Daman & Diu	70.3
33	Jammu & Kashmir	92.1
34	Ladakh	87.1
35	Lakshadweep	51.7
36	Puducherry	28.5
	All India	65.3

Source: PLFS, MoSPI