GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1016 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH JULY, 2024

COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT POLICY

1016. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated/envisaged a comprehensive employment policy for the country in view of the grave problem of unemployment in the country; and
- (b) if so, its brief outline and time frame for its implementation in key areas particularly in the areas of skill development and entrepreneurship, micro, small and medium enterprises?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) & (b): In order to study various facets of the employment & unemployment scenario in the country, the Government has launched surveys on both supply side (i.e. Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) and demand side (i.e. Quarterly Employment Survey (QES), Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) etc.).

Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Accordingly, the Government of India has taken various steps by implementing various programmes in key areas like Skill development and entrepreneurship, micro, small and medium enterprises etc. for generating employment in the country. Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) implements various schemes/programmes for the promotion and development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector across the country which inter alia include Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Micro and Small Enterprises-Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE), A Scheme for Promotion of Innovation, Rural Industries and Entrepreneurship (ASPIRE), Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme (ESDP), National Schedule Caste and Schedule Tribe Hub (NSSH) etc.

Under the Govt of India's Skill India Mission (SIM), the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, reskill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres/colleges/institutes etc. under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Sikhshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs).

Startup India is an initiative of Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). The Government with an intent to build a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation, startups and encouraging investments in the startup ecosystem of the country.

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