

**+GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1181
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08TH DECEMBER, 2025**

DATA ON EMPLOYMENT

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

- (a) the details of the current unemployment rate in the country according to the latest official data, sector and age-wise as compared to previous years;**
- (b) the details of the total number of formal and informal sector jobs created during the last three financial years including youth employment figures;**
- (c) the details of the measures taken by the Government to address the high unemployment among youth, women and rural workers including implementation of MGNREGA, PMKVY, DDUGKY and other schemes, State/UT-wise;**
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any assessment of the effectiveness of its employment generation schemes and if so, the details thereof;**
- (e) the details of the steps taken by the Government to improve skill development, industry collaboration and placement support to ensure that trained youth are actually getting secure employment; and**
- (f) the details of the timeline and target set by the Government to significantly reduce unemployment in the country?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (f): The official data on Employment and Unemployment is collected through Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), which is conducted by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18.

As per the latest available Annual PLFS reports, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons age 15 years and above has decreased from 6.0% in 2017-18 to 3.2% in 2023-24 and for the youth of age 15-29 was decreased from 17.8% in 2017-18 to 10.2% in 2023-24.

Further, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) indicating employment (including formal and informal sector jobs) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above was 52.9% in 2021-22, 56.0% in 2022-23 and 58.2% in 2023-24. Also, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) indicating employment on usual status for youth of age 15-29 years was 36.8% in 2021-22, 40.1% in 2022-23 and 41.7% in 2023-24.

The PLFS reports containing information on estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) (including sector and age-wise among youth, women and rural workers) on usual status are available at <https://www.mospi.gov.in/publications-reports>.

Employment generation coupled with improving employability (including for women, youth and rural workers), is a priority of the Government. Accordingly, Government is implementing various employment generation schemes/programmes. These inter-alia include Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Rural Self Employment and Training Institutes (RSETIs), Deen Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY- NULM), PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi), Stand-up India Scheme, Start Up India , Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), etc. The details of various employment generation schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government may be seen at https://dge.gov.in/dge/schemes_programmes.

Government is also implementing Skill India Mission (SIM) to deliver skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres/ schools/ colleges /institutes etc. under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the country. The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready, equipped with industry relevant skills.

The State/UT-wise details of the beneficiaries of schemes MGNREGA, PMKVY & DDUGKY over the last five years in the country, is at Annexure-I to III.

To enhance the employability of female workers, the Government is providing training to them through a network of Women Industrial Training Institutes, National Vocational Training Institutes and Regional Vocational Training Institutes.

In addition to the above, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has also launched AI Career for Women Initiative in April 2025 where over a period of two years, training and enabling economic opportunities for girls would be the focus of the programme.

The Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing 'Palna' component under Mission Shakti for all States/UTs, under which providing day care facilities and protection of children is the main focus area. Under Palna, Ministry has extended free services of childcare through Anganwadi cum Creches (AWCC).

Government has also launched "NAVYA" (Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls) with an aim to equip adolescent girls aged 16 to 18 years with vocational training mainly in non-traditional and emerging job roles.

In addition, the Government is implementing Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme named as the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana to support employment generation, enhance employability and social security across all sectors, with special focus on the manufacturing sector. The scheme with an outlay of Rs 99,446 Crore aims to incentivize the creation of more than 3.5 Crore jobs in the country, over a period of 2 years.

Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, is running the National Career Service (NCS) Portal which is a one-stop solution for providing career related services including jobs from private and government sectors, information on online & offline job fairs, job search & matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses, skill/training programmes etc. through a digital platform [www.ncs.gov.in].

A number of protective provisions have been incorporated in the Labour Codes implemented with effect from 21.11.2024, for equal opportunity and congenial work environment for women workers. The Code on Social Security, 2020 has the provisions for paid maternity leave of 26 weeks, provision for mandatory crèche facility in the establishments having 50 or more employees, etc.

The Code on Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSH), 2020 has the provisions that women shall be entitled to be employed in all establishments for all types of work and they may be employed, with their consent before 6 am and beyond 7 p.m. subject to such conditions relating to safety, holidays and working hours or any other conditions to be observed by the employer as may be prescribed by the appropriate Government.

The Union Budget (2024-25) announced setting up of working women hostels in collaboration with industry, and establishing crèches, for increasing participation of women in the workforce.

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) to (f) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1181 due for reply on 08.12.2025**State-wise details of candidates trained / oriented under PMKVY since inception up to 31st Oct, 2025:**

State	Trained/Oriented
A & N Islands	5,501
Andhra Pradesh	5,28,234
Arunachal Pradesh	98,157
Assam	8,39,672
Bihar	7,60,581
Chandigarh	28,035
Chhattisgarh	2,04,543
Delhi	5,27,664
Goa	10,484
Gujarat	4,71,884
Haryana	7,63,070
Himachal Pradesh	1,76,654
Jammu & Kashmir	4,29,954
Jharkhand	3,14,146
Karnataka	6,05,744
Kerala	2,74,836
Ladakh	4,076
Lakshadweep	390
Madhya Pradesh	12,15,857
Maharashtra	13,32,397
Manipur	1,15,021
Meghalaya	58,856
Mizoram	44,147
Nagaland	54,055
Odisha	6,02,374
Puducherry	35,597
Punjab	5,63,591
Rajasthan	14,08,412
Sikkim	19,479
Tamil Nadu	8,89,722
Telangana	4,64,811
DNH & DD	11,842
Tripura	1,60,367
Uttar Pradesh	25,09,373
Uttarakhand	2,52,138
West Bengal	6,51,369
All India	1,64,33,033

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State/Union Territory-wise details of persondays generated under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS from the financial years 2020-21 to current financial year 2025-26 (as on 24.11.2025)

Sl. No.	States/UTs	(Figure in crore)					
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (As on 24.11.2025)
1	Andhra Pradesh	25.86	24.15	23.95	25.55	24.23	15.83
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1.28	1.59	1.51	1.60	2.04	0.99
3	Assam	9.11	9.16	7.86	8.74	7.11	3.81
4	Bihar	22.61	18.03	23.64	22.05	25.02	16.27
5	Chhattisgarh	18.41	16.92	13.25	12.77	13.24	5.67
6	Goa	0.0110	0.0095	0.0094	0.0043	0.0076	0.0048
7	Gujarat	4.82	5.68	4.66	4.93	4.31	2.27
8	Haryana	1.80	1.46	0.96	1.23	1.18	0.61
9	Himachal Pradesh	3.36	3.71	3.08	3.44	3.95	1.50
10	Jammu And Kashmir	4.07	4.06	3.09	3.75	4.09	2.23
11	Jharkhand	11.76	11.32	9.15	10.97	10.09	8.01
12	Karnataka	14.80	16.32	12.58	13.85	13.12	6.25
13	Kerala	10.23	10.60	9.66	9.95	9.08	5.01
14	Ladakh	0.21	0.19	0.20	0.20	0.22	0.14
15	Madhya Pradesh	34.18	29.99	22.59	19.96	18.97	13.84
16	Maharashtra	6.79	8.25	7.88	11.60	16.22	9.86
17	Manipur	3.31	3.03	0.74	1.46	2.45	1.31
18	Meghalaya	3.84	3.94	2.89	3.25	3.21	1.53
19	Mizoram	1.99	2.01	2.02	2.04	1.98	1.23
20	Nagaland	1.80	1.93	1.97	1.79	0.94	0.80
21	Odisha	20.81	19.78	18.51	18.28	11.93	7.94
22	Punjab	3.77	3.31	3.21	3.51	3.14	1.87
23	Rajasthan	46.05	42.43	35.71	37.52	31.66	14.42
24	Sikkim	0.37	0.34	0.32	0.34	0.34	0.21
25	Tamil Nadu	33.39	34.57	33.47	40.87	30.61	11.22
26	Telangana	15.80	14.58	12.19	12.09	12.23	5.52
27	Tripura	4.37	4.26	3.35	3.70	3.53	1.95
28	Uttar Pradesh	39.30	32.55	31.12	34.52	33.65	17.09
29	Uttarakhand	3.04	2.43	2.06	1.97	1.90	0.58
30	West Bengal	41.40	36.42	3.79	0.02	0.00	0.00
31	Andaman and Nicobar	0.0261	0.0114	0.0129	0.0124	0.0088	0.0027
32	Dn Haveli And Dd	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0041	0.0299	0.0099
33	Lakshadweep	0.0002	0.0001	0.0005	0.0004	0.0000	0.0000
34	Puducherry	0.1057	0.0615	0.0830	0.2189	0.1078	0.1147
	Total	388.68	363.09	295.51	312.17	290.60	158.09

(As per NREGASoft) and also from the nrega website

Source: Ministry of Rural Development

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State/UT-wise physical achievement during the last five years under DDU-GKY and current year, as on October, 2025:

Sl. No.	State	FY 20-21		FY 21-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26 till Oct'25 as on 10.11.'25(KB)	
		Trained	Placed	Trained	Placed	Trained	Placed	Trained	Placed	Trained	Placed	Trained	Placed
1	Andhra Pradesh	4156	2177	1606	2135	18616	17070	19829	18045	10328	9033	8913	203
2	Arunachal Pradesh	28	33	233	71	608	295	678	315	684	265	20	109
3	Assam	1966	3296	3553	916	12532	6817	10615	8571	5231	4127	1089	337
4	Bihar	2687	2745	7099	2491	11516	9005	6733	7226	1709	1885	96	199
5	Chhattisgarh	1109	3683	6499	2883	9742	8484	3045	3958	1170	1759	582	267
6	Gujarat	240	875	830	599	2912	1450	3960	2729	3544	2584	1115	1111
7	Haryana	26	1213	1772	680	5554	2685	8478	4882	4492	3700	2719	1150
8	Himachal Pradesh	0	117	334	10	3967	2175	4324	3187	3084	2273	2367	1395
9	Jammu and Kashmir	3454	1945	2300	1102	5459	2754	1177	1245	1767	636	1088	628
10	Jharkhand	1050	1879	4035	1354	10228	7343	11340	8157	6607	4911	3014	1019
11	Karnataka	769	1649	1442	673	3757	2813	3795	2656	1797	1914	398	405
12	Kerala	3053	2931	3219	1097	8623	5224	5212	4078	3052	2572	602	600
13	Madhya Pradesh	903	969	6825	3977	15653	11287	12107	10538	5097	4756	2769	1425
14	Maharashtra	874	3319	348	1612	7830	4020	6381	4614	7761	4347	2310	967
15	Manipur	338	387	811	139	1921	1266	782	854	263	356	1363	374
16	Meghalaya	83	158	456	241	2165	1353	1630	1352	1642	761	582	453
17	Mizoram	37	88	105	94	344	349	725	499	723	474	518	96
18	Nagaland	221	278	1009	614	2371	1409	1714	1592	804	570	509	400
19	Odisha	7978	7729	10474	4828	16778	13248	3997	5330	947	1095	1365	459
20	Punjab	2922	1931	6976	4188	8121	7020	11803	8805	1979	3560	4796	817
21	Rajasthan	981	1759	3096	3130	6092	6209	7233	4218	5376	4532	4977	1005
22	Sikkim	0	43	90	0	859	384	1123	720	255	393	119	8
23	Tamil Nadu	213	1286	8228	2941	15225	10648	13411	10206	5274	4803	2613	753
24	Telangana	2752	1436	3177	2494	7094	4564	92	230	2560	1271	2554	928
25	Tripura	21	609	1049	193	2244	1189	2126	1336	913	694	425	153
26	Uttar Pradesh	1540	4068	16898	3765	36567	21921	45215	33458	18080	16245	7408	2373
27	Uttarakhand	367	416	3645	917	8248	4409	6026	5306	1894	2821	1907	566
28	West Bengal	521	2544	732	2424	9596	4774	4979	5979	3172	1969	880	1017
29	Puducherry			165	44	844	343	956	919	436	444	305	104
30	A. N Islands			0	0	133	38	547	225	242	196	95	94
	Total	38289	49563	97006	45612	235599	160546	200033	161230	100883	84946	57498	19415

Source: Ministry of Rural Development