

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2488
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH DECEMBER, 2023
WORKERS POPULATION RATIO (WPR)**

2488. SHRIMATI POONAMBEN MAADAM :

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

- (a) whether the Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) and the Worker Population Ratio (WPR) has been increased/increasing in the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the details of unemployment rate in the country during the last five years?**

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 and 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 Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above in the country during the period 2017-18 to 2022-23 are as follows:

(in %)

Years	LFPR	WPR	UR
2017-18	49.8	46.8	6.0
2018-19	50.2	47.3	5.8
2019-20	53.5	50.9	4.8
2020-21	54.9	52.6	4.2
2021-22	55.2	52.9	4.1
2022-23	57.9	56.0	3.2

The data indicates that the labour force and workforce has an increasing trend and the unemployment rate has a declining trend in the country.
