

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2975
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018**

INCLUSION OF SELF-EMPLOYED IN GOVERNMENT'S JOB DATA

**2975. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:
SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA:**

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

- (a) whether Government has decided to add self-employed retail traders, construction workers, taxi drivers, 'pakoda' sellers, tea sellers, etc. to Government's job data;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the self-employed sectors which have been included;**
- (c) the reasons and rationale for the same; and**
- (d) the reasons for repeated failure of Government to provide salaried jobs in organised sectors?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

(a) to (c): In the Labour Bureau's Quarterly Employment Survey (QES), the definition of workers include number of persons self-employed and persons employed either directly by the establishment on regular/casual/contract basis or through a contractor on contract basis. Further, Self-employed is defined as persons who operated their own establishment or were engaged independently in a profession or trade or own-account or with one or a few partners. QES of Labour Bureau launched in April, 2016, measures relative change in employment situation over successive quarters in eight

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sectors of Non-farm Industrial economy in establishments employing 10 or more workers. The sectors are Manufacturing, Construction, Trade, Transport, Education, Health, Accommodation & Restaurants and IT/BPO. As per the latest available data, self-employed contributed a positive change of 33,000 over the last four quarters i.e. 1st October, 2016 to 1st October, 2017.

(d): As per latest QES report, there has been a positive change of 4,74,000 'employees' in selected eight sectors of organised sectors over the last four quarters i.e. 1st October, 2016 to 1st October, 2017.
