

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1048
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2022
HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AMONG YOUTH

1048. SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that the unemployment rate is as high as 45% among youth aged between 15-24 years and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether Government has any data on unemployment, age-group wise;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): 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 of next year. As per the latest available Annual PLFS reports, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for youth of age 15-29 years was 17.3%, 15.0% and 12.9% during 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21, respectively, which shows that the unemployment rate among the youth has a declining trend. The age group wise estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years & above during 2018-19 to 2020-21 were as follows:

Unemployment Rate (UR)-(in %)				
Years	15-29 years	15-59 years	15 years & above	All ages
2018-19	17.3	6.2	5.8	5.8
2019-20	15.0	5.2	4.8	4.8
2020-21	12.9	4.6	4.2	4.2

Source: PLFS, MoSPI