

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1865  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.12.2022**

**GROWTH RATE OF SALARIED CLASS**

**1865. SHRI AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH:**

**Will the Minister of Labour and Employment be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Government's latest Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) shows that India's salaried class has grown just over 3 percentage points in rural areas and less than 1 percentage point in urban areas in the last decade;**
- (b) if so, the reasons for the sluggish growth; and**
- (c) the steps taken by Government to boost employment in both urban and rural areas during the last five years?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) & (b): As per the Employment and Unemployment survey conducted during NSS 68<sup>th</sup> round (2011-12) and Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted during July 2017 – June 2018, July 2018 – June 2019, July 2019 – June 2020 and July 2020 – June 2021, percentage share of regular wage/salaried workers among workers according to usual status separately for rural and urban areas of India are given below:-**

<b>Round(Year)</b>	<b>percentage share of regular wage/salaried workers among workers according to usual status</b>	
	<b>Rural</b>	<b>urban</b>
<b>NSS 68<sup>th</sup> round (2011-12)</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>43.4</b>
<b>PLFS (2017-18)</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>47.0</b>
<b>PLFS (2018-19)</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>48.7</b>
<b>PLFS (2019-20)</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>48.8</b>
<b>PLFS (2020-21)</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>46.4</b>

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**(c): Employment generation coupled with improving employability of the youth is the priority concern of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country through various schemes viz. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Deendayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana(PMMY), Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana (ABRY) etc.**

**The Government has also provided fiscal stimulus of more than rupees twenty seven lakh crore as part of the Aatmanirbhar financial package specifically to create employment opportunities for migrant workers, workers for unorganised sector, strengthening of MSME Sector and promoting rural economy. It includes plethora of initiatives for all these sectors.**

**Government has implemented the National Career Service (NCS) Project as a Mission Mode Project for transformation of the National Employment Service to provide a variety of employment related services like job matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses, apprenticeship, internships, etc.**

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