GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 896 TO BE ANSWERED ON 09TH FEBRUARY, 2023

EMPLOYMENT IN MANUFACTURING SECTOR

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state

- (a) the data on the new employment opportunities created in manufacturing sector since 2020, industry-wise;
- (b) whether there is any substantial growth in job opportunities in the manufacturing sector;
- (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 official data source on Employment and Unemployment is Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) which is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & 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 percentage of working persons in the manufacturing industry on usual status was 10.9% during 2020-21.

The Quarterly Employment Survey (QES) is conducted by Labour Bureau which aims to assess the employment situation in respect of selected nine sectors of non-farm economy of India over successive quarters. Selected nine sectors are Manufacturing, Construction, Trade, Transport, Education, Health, Accommodation & Restaurants, Information Technology (IT)/ Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) and Financial Services. As per the fourth round of QES (January-March, 2022), the estimated total employment in the nine selected sectors was 3.18 crore, which is 10 lakhs higher than the estimated employment (3.08 crore) from the first round of QES (April-June, 2021). The estimated number of workers in manufacturing sector was 122.5 lakhs during January-March, 2022. Manufacturing sector accounts for the largest percentage (38.5%) of the total number of workers during January-March, 2022.
