

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*229
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH AUGUST, 2023**

EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

***229. DR. V. SIVADASAN :**

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

- (a) the total number of workers employed in Public Sector Units, Union Government, States and UTs Governments, year-wise data for the last three years;**
- (b) the percentage of the workers/personnel in PSUs, Union and State Government Departments out of the total workforce in India, year-wise data for the last three years;**
- (c) percentage of workers in the organized sector out of the total workforce in the country; and**
- (d) the definition of public employment and percentage of public employment in India?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)**

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *229 DUE FOR REPLY ON 10.08.2023 BY DR. V. SIVADASAN: REGARDING “EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS”

(a) to (d): The data on Employment and Unemployment is collected through 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 Worker Population Ratio (WPR), indicating employment, on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above in the country was 50.9%, 52.6% and 52.9% during 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22, respectively. The data indicates an increasing trend in the overall employment of the country.

As per the Annual Report on Pay and Allowances released by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, the number of regular civilian employees in Central Government and Union Territory administrations were 31.91 lakh, 31.15 lakh and 30.64 lakh as on 01.03.2020, 01.03.2021 and 01.03.2022, respectively. The State Government-wise information is not maintained centrally.

Total number of candidates recommended by Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC) and Railway Recruitment Board (RRB) for appointment in Central Government was 1,61,550 during the year 2022-23. Apart from this, SSC and RRBs have recommended 1,03,196 candidates for appointment in the 1st quarter of 2023-24.

Further, as per the information available with Department of Public Enterprises (DPE), Ministry of Finance, the total number of regular employees working in Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) was 9.20 lakh, 8.61 lakh and 8.60 lakh during 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22, respectively.

As per the Economic Survey 2021-22, based on the PLFS reports, the total estimated employment was 47.14 crores, 48.78 crores and 53.53 crores during the year 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20, respectively. Out of the total employment, the estimated employment in the organized sector was 9.05 crores, 9.46 crores and 9.55 crores during the year 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20, respectively.

Further, the net addition in Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) subscriptions is an indicator of the extent of job creation/formalisation of the job market, and the coverage of social security benefits to the organized/ semi-organized sector workforce. The net addition in EPF subscribers during the period 2020-21 to 2022-23 are as follows:

(in numbers)

Years	Net addition in EPF subscribers (all ages)
2020-21	77,08,375
2021-22	1,22,34,625
2022-23	1,38,51,689

Source: EPFO, Payroll data

The Article 16 in The Constitution of India covers the right to equality of opportunity in matters of Public Employment. The Article refers to the class or classes of employment or appointment to an office under the Government of, or any local or other authority within, a State or Union territory. According to Article 12 of the Constitution of India, the State includes the Government and Parliament of India and the Government and the Legislature of each of the States and all local or other authorities within the territory of India or under the control of the Government of India.
