# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2162 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2023

### ISSUES RELATED TO E-SHRAM PORTAL REGISTRATIONS

### 2162. SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY:

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

- (a) whether Government is aware that a large number of workers in the unorganized sector continue to work past the age of 60;
- (b) if so, reasons regarding setting age limits between 16-59 to register on the e-Shram portal and the resultant consequences;
- (c) details of the estimated number of workers above the age of 60 working in the unorganized sector and strategies for their inclusion; and
- (d) details of strategies to fix the issues with e-Shram portal registration, including non-linkage of mobile number to Aadhaar, dormant nature of linked bank account, switching mobile numbers or multiple individuals using the same number?

#### **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) which is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18. The survey period is July to June every year.

As per the latest available Annual PLFS Reports, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) for age 15-59 years is 59.5% and for persons aged 15 years and above is 56%.

Ministry of Labour & Employment launched e-Shram portal for creation of a comprehensive National Database of Unorganised Workers. As on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2023, over 29.23 crore unorganised workers have already registered on e-Shram.

Registration process on e-Shram portal has been made simple and hassle free. For registration on e-Shram portal, a worker is required to have his/ her Aadhaar Number and Mobile Number. It is preferred that worker's Mobile number and his Aadhaar number is linked. However, if Aadhaar and mobile number are not linked, e-Shram still allows to continue registration using Aadhaar biometric authentication. e-Shram portal also provides various modes of registration, which includes self-registration by visiting e-Shram portal or through UMANG app as well as registration through assisted mode by visiting nearby Common Service Centres (CSC) or State Sewa Kendra (SSK). e-Shram registrants are also encouraged to update their profiles in case of any change in their credentials including their location, contact details (mobile number, address) etc. The details of bank account are not mandatory on e-Shram portal.

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