

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1225
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST AUGUST, 2024**

SURVEY REGARDING UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE COUNTRY

1225. SHRI NEERAJ DANGI:

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

- (a) the details of schemes being implemented by Government to reduce the ever-increasing unemployment in the country;**
- (b) whether employment opportunities have reduced and unemployment rate has increased during the last one year, if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether any survey has been conducted regarding the workers in the unorganized sector and their employment status in the country at present; and**
- (d) if so, the details of such workers at present, State-wise and district-wise?**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)**

(a) to (d): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Accordingly, the Government of India has taken various steps for generating employment in the country.

The various Ministries/ Departments of Government of India like Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, etc. are implementing different employment generation schemes/ programmes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Rural Self Employment and Training Institutes (RSETIs), Deen Dayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), Production Linked Incentive, etc. The details of various employment generation schemes/ programmes being implemented by the Government of India may be seen at https://dge.gov.in/dge/schemes_programmes.

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) and Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above during 2020-21 to 2022-23 is as follows:

Year	WPR (%)	UR (%)
2020-21	52.6	4.2
2021-22	52.9	4.1
2022-23	56.0	3.2

Source: PLFS, MoSPI

The data indicates that WPR i.e. employment in the country has an increasing trend and the unemployment rate has a declining trend over the years.

Annual Survey of Unincorporated Sector Enterprises (ASUSE), which is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), exclusively measures various economic and operational characteristics of unincorporated non-agricultural establishments in manufacturing, trade and other services sector. The report along with details on number of workers (State/UT-wise) in the unincorporated, non-agricultural enterprises, including manufacturing sector is available at https://www.mospi.gov.in/sites/default/files/publication_reports/ASUSE_2022_23_Report_Final.pdf .

The Government has launched e-Shram portal for registration and creation of a Comprehensive National Database of Unorganized Workers. It allows a person to register himself/herself on the portal on self-declaration basis, which is spread across around 400 occupations. As on 27.07.2024, the total registration of the unorganized workers on e-Shram portal on self-declaration basis is more than 29.84 crore.
