GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2017 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2024

SURGE IN EPFO MEMBERSHIP

2017. SHRI JAGGESH:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that formal job creation touched a six-year high in April this year with India adding millions of subscribers under the Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO);
- (b) the number of formal jobs created and registered under the EPFO and net female member addition, State-wise;
- (c) whether this is in consonance with earlier trend, which indicates that most individuals joining the organized workforce are youth, primarily first-time job seekers; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the various factors attributable to the surge in EPFO membership, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): As per the EPFO payroll report published on 20.06.2024, net payroll addition was highest during the wage month of April-2024 since first payroll data was published in April 2018.
- (b): State-wise net female member addition and total net payroll addition during April, 2024 is attached in the Annexure-A.
- (c): Yes.

(d):

| Age Slab | Number of new EPF Subscribers during April, 2024 | |
|-------------|--|--|
| <18 | 10,816 | |
| 18 - 21 | 2,75,009 | |
| 22 - 25 | 2,17,551 | |
| 26 - 28 | 88,546 | |
| 29 - 35 | 1,35,827 | |
| >35 | 1,59,689 | |
| Grand Total | 8,87,438 | |

The surge in membership can be attributed to numerous factors, including increased employment opportunities, greater formalization, a growing awareness of employee benefits, and the effectiveness of EPFO's outreach programs.

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| State | Net Payroll Addition in April, 2024 | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| | Female | Total |
| ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR | 94 | 291 |
| ANDHRA PRADESH | 13,949 | 38,442 |
| ARUNACHAL PRADESH | 74 | 197 |
| ASSAM | 1,477 | 6,395 |
| BIHAR | 3,434 | 19,120 |
| CHANDIGARH | 4,729 | 23,037 |
| CHATTISGARH | 1,860 | 18,237 |
| DELHI | 25,083 | 1,47,591 |
| GOA | 1,964 | 10,178 |
| GUJARAT | 21,517 | 1,63,632 |
| HARYANA | 28,571 | 1,60,864 |
| HIMACHAL PRADESH | 3,420 | 15,671 |
| JAMMU AND KASHMIR | 1,334 | 4,128 |
| JHARKHAND | 2,847 | 15,808 |
| KARNATAKA | 50,824 | 2,01,840 |
| KERALA | 6,537 | 22,325 |
| LADAKH | 34 | 118 |
| MADHYA PRADESH | 6,362 | 39,313 |
| MAHARASHTRA | 72,005 | 3,86,374 |
| MANIPUR | 118 | 303 |
| MEGHALAYA | 266 | 594 |
| MIZORAM | 30 | 53 |
| NAGALAND | 82 | 133 |
| ORISSA | 3,843 | 26,524 |
| PUNJAB | 5,595 | 19,202 |
| RAJASTHAN | 8,203 | 59,729 |
| TAMIL NADU | 65,351 | 1,90,364 |
| TELANGANA | 17,991 | 99,521 |
| TRIPURA | 165 | 500 |
| UTTAR PRADESH | 21,785 | 1,14,893 |
| UTTARAKHAND | 6,832 | 40,951 |
| WEST BENGAL | 15,060 | 65,637 |
| Grand Total | 3,91,436 | 18,91,965 |
