

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.426
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2024
NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT POLICY

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

- (a) whether Government is considering formulating a National Employment Policy;**
- (b) if so, whether the policy would address the problem of unemployment among SC/ST youth and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is a priority of Government and is a multi stakeholder initiative. Accordingly, 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 Textile, etc. are implementing different employment generation schemes/ programmes including those for SC/ST youth. The details of these employment generation schemes/ programmes may be seen at https://dge.gov.in/dge/schemes_programmes.

Ministry of Labour and Employment in particular is implementing the “Welfare of SC/ST jobseekers Scheme” through the network of 25 National Career Service Centres for SC/ST (NCSC-SC/STs) across the country to enhance employability of SC/ST jobseekers through pre recruitment training, vocational guidance, career counselling and computer training etc. with a view to prepare them to meet the demands of labour market.

Further, the Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) scheme announced in Budget 2024-25, with an outlay of Rs 1,07,000 Crores, aims at job creation and formalisation of work force by providing Social Security to all including SC/ST youth through EPFO, enhancing employability and incentivizing additional employment generation through incentives to employees and employers.
