GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1696 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2025

SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHALLENGES FOR INTERNAL MIGRANTS

1696. MS. DOLA SEN:

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

- (a) whether Government has assessed the socio-economic challenges faced by internal migrants after relocating to urban areas;
- (b) if so, the measures being implemented to address issues related to housing, sanitation, health, and education for migrant workers; and
- (c) the details of any targeted interventions to enhance access to social security for internal migrants?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The Inter-State Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Services) Act, 1979 has been enacted to protect the interest of the migrant workers. The Act provides for registration of certain establishments employing Inter State Migrant Workers, licensing of contractors etc. Workers employed with such establishments are to be provided payment of minimum wages, journey allowance, displacement allowance, residential accommodation, medical facilities and protective clothing etc.

Ministry of Labour & Employment launched eShram portal on 26th August, 2021 for creation of a comprehensive National Database of Unorganised Workers (NDUW), including migrant workers, seeded with Aadhaar. Registration on eShram on self-declaration basis. As per Budget Announcement, the eShram—"One-Stop-Solution" was launched on 21st October 2024. eShram—"One-Stop-Solution" entails integration/mapping of different Social Security/ Welfare schemes at single portal i.e., eShram. This enables Contd..2/-

unorganised workers, including migrant workers registered on eShram, to access 13 social security schemes and see benefits availed by them so far, through eShram;- including Pradhan Mantri Surakhsa Bima Yojana (PMSBY), Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), Prime Minister Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM-SVANidhi), PM Awas Yojana- Urban (PMAY-U), NSAP - National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme (MGNREGA), PM Awas Yojana- Gramin (PMAY-G), Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) and Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Scheme (PM Kisan).
