

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 238

TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026

EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE AND
WORKER POPULATION RATIO

238. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government will furnish, based on the latest Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), the State-wise, district-wise and national details of employment, unemployment, labour force participation rate and worker population ratio;
- (b) the category-wise number of persons employed in Government (Group A, B, C & D), Public Sector Undertakings, organised private sector, white-collar, blue-collar, gig and platform workers, self-employed, casual labourers and other informal occupations, along with the average monthly wages at the national, State and district levels; and
- (c) the State-wise details of youth and educated unemployment and the measures taken to generate quality employment and reduce wage disparities across the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

- (a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 238 FOR REPLY ON 10.08.2026 REGARDING
EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE
AND WORKER POPULATION RATIO ASKED BY SHRI ABDUL WAHAB**

(a): Based on the Annual Report of Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), 2025, the State-wise and all-India level estimates of Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Workers Population Ratio (WPR) and Unemployment Rate (UR) in usual status (ps+ss) for persons of age 15 years and above are placed at Annexure I. However, district-level estimates of these indicators are not available in the PLFS Annual Report, 2025.

(b): Estimates of persons employed in Government (Group-wise), white-collar, blue-collar, gig and platform workers are not available in PLFS Annual Report, 2025. However, Percentage distribution of usually working (ps+ss) persons engaged in non-agriculture (industry divisions 05-99 of NIC-2008) by enterprise type for each State/ UT are placed at Annexure II. In PLFS, *proprietary and partnership enterprises* are considered as informal sector. Further, State-wise information related to earnings under three broad status in employment viz., self-employed; regular wage/salaried employment; and casual labour is given in Table at Annexure III.

(c): From PLFS, 2025, the estimates of Unemployment Rate (UR) (in per cent) according to usual status (ps+ss) for youth (persons of age 15 -29 years considered as youth in PLFS) are placed at Annexure IV. Further, estimates of Unemployment Rate (UR) (in per cent) according to usual status (ps+ss) for persons of age 15 years and above of different highest level of education successfully completed for each State/UT are placed at Annexure V.

Employment generation coupled with improving employability is a priority of the Government. Accordingly, Government is implementing various employment generation schemes across the country which inter-alia includes Skill India Mission (SIM) which aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready, equipped with industry relevant skills. Reskilling and upskilling initiatives are being undertaken through multiple national programmes that support workforce transition, redeployment, and preparedness for emerging job roles. These programmes focus on structured skilling, digital literacy, and advanced technology training to ensure employability in the AI-driven economy.

In addition, the Government is implementing Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme named as the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana to support employment generation, enhance employability and social security across all sectors, with special focus on the manufacturing sector. The scheme with an outlay of Rs 99,446 Crore aims to incentivize the creation of more than 3.5 Crore jobs in the country, over a period of 2 years.

The Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, is running the National Career Service (NCS) Portal which is a one-stop solution for providing career related services including information on jobs from private and government sectors, online & offline job fairs, job search & matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, skill development courses, skill/training programmes etc. through a digital platform [www.ncs.gov.in].

Table: Estimate of Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and Unemployment Rate (UR) (in percent) in usual status (ps+ss) for persons of age 15 years and above for each State / UT from PLFS 2025

State / UT	LFPR	WPR	UR
Andhra Pradesh	60.9	58.3	4.2
Arunachal Pradesh	71.3	66.6	6.6
Assam	61.9	59.6	3.7
Bihar	49.3	47.4	3.8
Chhattisgarh	71.6	70.0	2.3
Delhi	44.2	41.6	5.9
Goa	51.2	46.9	8.3
Gujarat	65.2	64.6	0.9
Haryana	50.4	48.1	4.5
Himachal Pradesh	73.2	69.9	4.5
Jharkhand	59.8	58.2	2.7
Karnataka	59.4	58.0	2.3
Kerala	57.4	54.9	4.4
Madhya Pradesh	65.1	64.1	1.5
Maharashtra	59.5	58.0	2.4
Manipur	63.1	59.8	5.2
Meghalaya	72.3	68.9	4.8
Mizoram	53.9	52.6	2.4
Nagaland	72.1	67.3	6.7
Odisha	63.2	61.3	2.9
Punjab	55.2	52.3	5.3
Rajasthan	64.5	61.7	4.3
Sikkim	74.7	72.3	3.2
Tamil Nadu	62.3	60.1	3.4
Telangana	61.4	58.3	5.0
Tripura	62.1	60.4	2.7
Uttarakhand	56.3	53.4	5.1
Uttar Pradesh	55.2	53.7	2.7
West Bengal	59.1	57.4	2.8
Andaman & N. Island	67.2	60.5	10.0
Chandigarh	56.1	52.9	5.7
Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	66.0	64.9	1.6
Jammu & Kashmir	64.9	61.7	4.9
Ladakh	66.2	63.5	4.0
Lakshadweep	46.3	43.1	6.9
Puducherry	51.8	49.0	5.4
all-India	59.3	57.4	3.1

Note: PLFS 2025 refers to the period January -December, 2025

Annexure II

Table: Percentage distribution of usually working (ps+ss) persons engaged in non-agriculture (industry divisions 05-99 of NIC-2008) by enterprise type for each State/ UT from PLFS 2025

State \ UT	enterprise type								
	proprietary and partnership	govt./local body/public sector enterprises	autonomous bodies	Public/private limited company	cooperative societies	trust/ other non profit inst	employer's households	others	total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
Andhra Pradesh	71.5	14.8	0.2	9.4	0.9	0.9	1.9	0.4	100.0
Arunachal Pradesh	55.2	39.3	0.0	3.4	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.2	100.0
Assam	79.1	10.5	0.1	6.3	0.1	0.8	1.5	1.6	100.0
Bihar	89.1	6.9	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.2	1.5	0.2	100.0
Chhattisgarh	76.2	14.4	0.1	6.2	0.1	0.5	1.9	0.6	100.0
Delhi	58.4	11.4	0.1	20.7	0.0	0.8	4.1	4.5	100.0
Goa	59.2	13.0	0.9	22.7	0.7	0.3	2.4	0.8	100.0
Gujarat	69.6	8.1	0.1	17.1	0.8	1.5	2.0	0.7	100.0
Haryana	61.2	10.1	0.0	21.8	0.8	2.0	1.6	2.3	100.0
Himachal Pradesh	59.4	24.9	0.7	11.1	1.3	0.9	0.5	1.2	100.0
Jharkhand	85.0	6.6	0.1	6.7	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.3	100.0
Karnataka	64.2	9.7	0.1	19.8	0.7	2.4	2.7	0.4	100.0
Kerala	67.9	12.1	0.3	11.0	1.3	4.2	2.9	0.4	100.0
Madhya Pradesh	79.5	10.3	0.2	6.7	0.1	1.9	1.3	0.1	100.0
Maharashtra	59.6	9.5	0.5	24.3	0.9	1.2	3.1	1.0	100.0
Manipur	76.8	17.8	0.2	2.8	0.0	0.8	1.5	0.1	100.0
Meghalaya	55.9	19.3	0.0	1.1	0.0	3.6	1.9	18.1	100.0
Mizoram	60.8	37.1	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0

Nagaland	37.5	32.2	1.2	8.0	0.0	4.8	0.5	15.8	100.0
Odisha	79.2	10.4	0.4	7.4	0.2	0.7	1.2	0.6	100.0
Punjab	75.0	10.7	0.1	8.7	0.1	1.6	3.1	0.7	100.0
Rajasthan	75.9	11.6	0.1	8.2	0.2	1.6	1.2	1.2	100.0
Sikkim	42.6	42.7	0.0	13.0	0.0	0.1	1.5	0.1	100.0
Tamil Nadu	63.0	14.5	0.5	17.6	0.1	1.8	2.0	0.5	100.0
Telangana	69.8	11.4	0.1	13.8	0.5	0.6	3.1	0.6	100.0
Tripura	64.1	25.7	0.6	2.6	0.1	0.1	4.5	2.3	100.0
Uttarakhand	63.3	13.5	0.1	12.6	0.7	1.3	3.3	5.2	100.0
Uttar Pradesh	85.2	7.1	0.1	5.0	0.1	0.7	0.8	1.0	100.0
West Bengal	78.5	7.2	0.1	8.3	0.0	0.6	4.9	0.4	100.0
Andaman & N. Island	68.5	25.9	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.5	3.3	100.0
Chandigarh	53.0	16.8	0.0	17.1	0.0	3.5	9.6	0.0	100.0
Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	32.9	3.7	0.0	62.1	0.0	0.9	0.1	0.2	100.0
Jammu & Kashmir	76.1	17.2	0.2	4.4	0.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	100.0
Ladakh	66.1	30.7	0.0	2.3	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.1	100.0
Lakshadweep	67.1	27.9	0.4	0.0	0.6	4.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Puducherry	47.3	13.3	0.4	25.0	0.5	1.2	3.6	8.7	100.0
all India	73.1	10.3	0.2	11.7	0.4	1.3	2.2	0.9	100.0

Annexure III

Table : Average wage/salary earnings (Rs. 0.00) during the preceding calendar month from regular wage/salaried employment in CWS, Average wage earnings (Rs. 0.00) per day from casual labour work other than public works in CWS and Average gross earnings (Rs. 0.00) during last 30 days from self-employment among self-employed persons in CWS from PLFS 2025

State \ UT	Average wage/salary earnings (Rs. 0.00) during the preceding calendar month from regular wage/salaried employment among the regular wage/salaried employees in CWS	Average wage earnings (Rs. 0.00) per day from casual labour work other than public works in CWS	Average gross earnings (Rs. 0.00) during last 30 days from self-employment among self-employed persons in CWS
Andhra Pradesh	22,511	514	15,910
Arunachal Pradesh	31,025	353	14,352
Assam	18,816	467	10,930
Bihar	20,135	442	13,256
Chhattisgarh	17,662	303	12,264
Delhi	30,651	669	34,635
Goa	28,859	822	39,622
Gujarat	20,171	382	16,959
Haryana	26,784	551	21,393
Himachal Pradesh	24,255	558	11,977
Jharkhand	22,839	396	11,846
Karnataka	26,266	496	19,005
Kerala	25,443	924	17,964
Madhya Pradesh	20,548	379	14,766
Maharashtra	27,169	385	22,140
Manipur	29,784	523	12,448
Meghalaya	20,653	434	12,623
Mizoram	37,169	621	22,398
Nagaland	31,090	546	7,686

Odisha	19,459	368	9,811
Punjab	16,467	490	19,927
Rajasthan	23,081	480	13,453
Sikkim	23,585	591	12,794
Tamil Nadu	23,798	590	17,306
Telangana	27,052	514	18,897
Tripura	17,866	483	12,340
Uttarakhand	19,609	497	14,382
Uttar Pradesh	18,426	434	11,879
West Bengal	16,618	374	10,590
Andaman & N. Island	30,531	646	30,778
Chandigarh	29,211	653	29,679
Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	18,490	444	16,008
Jammu & Kashmir	26,568	580	11,597
Ladakh	42,060	751	14,624
Lakshadweep	32,602	968	17,931
Puducherry	27,786	708	28,664
all India	22,699	453	14,861

Table: Unemployment Rate (UR) (in per cent) according to usual status (ps+ss) for each State/UT from PLFS 2025**age group: 15-29 years**

State/UT	UR in usual status for persons of age 15-29 years
Andhra Pradesh	16.2
Arunachal Pradesh	19.9
Assam	12.6
Bihar	12.1
Chhattisgarh	6.1
Delhi	14.4
Goa	14.8
Gujarat	2.5
Haryana	11.8
Himachal Pradesh	19.8
Jharkhand	8.2
Karnataka	8.6
Kerala	18.2
Madhya Pradesh	4.2
Maharashtra	7.7
Manipur	22.9
Meghalaya	12.2
Mizoram	14.5
Nagaland	17.5
Odisha	10.6
Punjab	17.0
Rajasthan	12.3
Sikkim	10.0
Tamil Nadu	14.1
Telangana	18.1
Tripura	11.3
Uttarakhand	13.9
Uttar Pradesh	7.7
West Bengal	10.6
Andaman & N. Island	31.2
Chandigarh	10.7
Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	4.2
Jammu & Kashmir	14.1
Ladakh	18.7
Lakshadweep	26.3
Puducherry	19.1
all India	9.9

Annexure V

Table (6): Unemployment Rate (UR) (in per cent) according to usual status (ps+ss) for persons of age 15 years and above of different highest level of education successfully completed for each State/UT from PLFS 2025										
State / UT	highest level of education successfully completed									
	not literate	literate & upto primary	middle	secondary	higher secondary	diploma/ certificate course	graduate	post graduate & above	secondary & above	all
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
Andhra Pradesh	0.1	0.3	1.2	2.1	5.3	10.4	21.6	15.1	10.5	4.2
Arunachal Pradesh	0.0	0.0	3.9	4.6	8.0	5.4	27.4	37.8	16.7	6.6
Assam	0.0	0.8	3.6	3.8	7.1	17.8	13.0	13.1	8.1	3.7
Bihar	0.5	1.4	2.9	2.7	4.4	25.6	18.1	10.7	8.8	3.8
Chhattisgarh	0.2	0.8	1.1	1.7	2.9	12.1	9.5	12.6	5.3	2.3
Delhi	3.3	4.8	4.4	4.3	7.1	0.0	9.0	5.6	6.9	5.9
Goa	0.0	6.4	4.8	2.7	16.9	0.7	8.1	15.9	10.3	8.3
Gujarat	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.5	1.2	1.7	3.7	3.0	1.8	0.9
Haryana	0.5	1.3	2.7	3.4	5.5	6.1	10.3	9.6	6.8	4.5
Himachal Pradesh	0.0	0.2	1.6	1.2	4.6	17.5	12.1	11.0	7.2	4.5
Jharkhand	0.0	0.3	1.5	2.1	4.9	9.1	13.8	13.1	6.6	2.7
Karnataka	0.1	0.3	1.5	1.5	3.4	4.6	7.9	6.0	4.3	2.3
Kerala	0.0	0.3	0.5	2.1	7.4	5.0	13.1	11.0	7.3	4.4
Madhya Pradesh	0.1	0.3	1.4	1.2	2.4	4.8	6.1	5.8	3.7	1.5
Maharashtra	0.8	0.4	0.8	1.1	3.0	5.4	6.8	5.6	4.1	2.4
Manipur	0.0	0.2	0.9	1.2	6.8	19.7	14.0	9.7	8.2	5.2
Meghalaya	0.0	0.7	4.4	8.7	10.1	0.0	16.9	28.8	13.6	4.8

Mizoram	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.0	6.2	13.1	3.8	2.4
Nagaland	0.0	0.0	3.2	5.3	10.8	29.1	26.1	21.3	16.9	6.7
Odisha	0.1	0.5	1.2	3.1	5.4	10.6	16.0	11.0	8.1	2.9
Punjab	0.8	1.0	2.6	2.8	13.8	8.9	11.6	9.4	9.3	5.3
Rajasthan	0.3	0.5	1.3	2.2	4.6	13.9	18.2	20.3	11.2	4.3
Sikkim	0.0	0.1	3.8	3.2	6.0	6.8	7.1	6.3	5.8	3.2
Tamil Nadu	0.1	0.3	1.3	2.6	3.1	5.7	11.2	7.6	6.6	3.4
Telangana	0.2	0.8	1.9	2.7	6.1	14.3	17.6	15.2	9.7	5.0
Tripura	0.0	0.1	3.2	3.1	3.4	37.3	8.2	15.9	6.6	2.7
Uttarakhand	0.7	3.0	4.2	3.1	7.9	6.9	7.8	13.5	7.4	5.1
Uttar Pradesh	0.3	1.2	1.6	1.7	4.2	9.4	8.1	9.9	5.3	2.7
West Bengal	0.2	0.6	2.2	2.8	6.4	11.6	11.4	6.3	6.8	2.8
Andaman & N. Island	0.0	1.5	1.8	8.5	26.1	9.7	21.1	36.6	18.8	10.0
Chandigarh	4.1	3.0	1.8	4.4	10.3	0.0	5.4	14.1	7.5	5.7
Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.8	0.6	3.3	7.2	6.7	2.6	1.6
Jammu & Kashmir	0.1	0.8	0.9	2.1	7.0	10.4	20.9	23.0	11.2	4.9
Ladakh	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	1.7	0.0	16.5	35.9	9.5	4.0
Lakshadweep	0.0	0.0	5.9	0.0	10.1	12.1	22.6	2.9	8.2	6.9
Puducherry	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	2.5	13.1	13.1	7.2	8.4	5.4
all India	0.3	0.6	1.6	2.1	4.7	6.9	11.2	10.0	6.5	3.1
