

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*54**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2026

CREATION OF JOBS

***54. SHRI SANJAY SINGH :**

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

- (a) whether Government would provide the estimated number of unemployed persons in the country till date, State/UT-wise;**
- (b) the details of unemployment rate (in percentage) during each of the last three years, gender-wise and age group-wise (15–29 years, 30–44 years, 45–59 years and 60 years & above); and**
- (c) the number of jobs created/provided against the Prime Minister's commitment to create two crore jobs annually since its announcement, year-wise?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *54 DUE FOR REPLY ON 23.07.2026 BY SHRI SANJAY SINGH, M.P. REGARDING “CREATION OF JOBS”

(a) to (c): Official estimates of employment and unemployment in India are derived from the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation since 2017–18. The PLFS methodology was revamped with effect from January 2025. The PLFS Annual Report 2025 is the first report in the revised series to present labour market estimates, covering the period from January to December 2025.

As per latest PLFS report 2025, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) indicating employment on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above has increased from 54.1% in 2022 to 57.4% in 2025 in the country and the estimated Female Worker Population Ratio (WPR) has increased from 32.8% in 2022 to 38.8% in 2025 in the country. The estimated Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above has increased from 56.1% in 2022 to 59.3% in 2025 and Female Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) has increased from 33.9% in 2022 to 40.0% in 2025 in the country.

Also, the Unemployment Rate (UR) has decreased from 3.6% in 2022 to 3.1% in 2025 in the country. The year wise, age-wise and gender-wise estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status from the Year 2022 to Year 2025 is as follows:

Particulars	2022			2023			2024			2025		
	Male	Female	Persons	Male	Female	Persons	Male	Female	Persons	Male	Female	Persons
15 years and above	3.7	3.3	3.6	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1
15-29 years	10.7	11.6	10.9	9.9	10.3	10.0	9.9	11.1	10.3	9.3	11.3	9.9
All ages	3.7	3.3	3.6	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1

Source : PLFS, MoSPI

State/UT-wise information is available in the PLFS reports which may be seen at the website of MoSPI at <https://www.mospi.gov.in/publications-reports> .

The KLEMS (K: Capital, L: Labour, E: Energy, M: Materials and S: Services) database published by Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) covers 27 industries comprising of the entire Indian economy and provides employment estimates across 27 industries. As per the latest data, total estimated employment in the country has increased to 64.33 crores (Provisional) during 2023-24 as compared to 47.15 crores during 2014-15, which indicates a growth of 36.44% during the period.

Further, more than 8.23 crore net subscribers have joined Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) between September 2017 and July 2025 indicating increase in employment and formalization of the job market. Also, more than 1.29 crore net subscribers have joined EPFO during the year 2024-25.

Employment generation coupled with improving employability is a priority of the Government. Accordingly, Government is implementing various employment generation schemes/ programmes in the country. The details of various employment generation schemes/ programmes being implemented by the Government may be seen at https://dge.gov.in/dge/schemes_programmes.

The Rozgar Mela is a major initiative aimed at prioritising employment generation. Since its inception, more than 12.5 lakh recruitment letters have been issued through 19 Rozgar Melas organised across the country.

Government is also implementing Skill India Mission (SIM) to deliver skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres/ schools/ colleges /institutes etc. under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the country. The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready, equipped with industry relevant skills.

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has initiated 'FutureSkills PRIME' a programme for Re-skilling/Up-skilling of IT Manpower for Employability in 10 new/emerging technologies including Artificial Intelligence.

Additionally, 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 PMVBRY is a demand-driven scheme. Under part A, incentive amount of Rs 744.7 crore has disbursed to 13.18 lakh first timer employees; and under Part B, incentive amount of Rs 2068.84 cr has been disbursed to 83,535 beneficiary establishments.

The Ministry of MSME launched Udyam Registration Portal on 01.07.2020 for formalizing enterprises, expanding access to government support and strengthening the MSME ecosystem. A total of 8.9 crore Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) have been registered on Udyam Registration Portal, including Udyam Assist Platform (UAP), providing employment to over 39 crore people across the country.

Further, 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 jobs from private and government sectors, information on online & offline job fairs, job search & matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses, skill/training programmes etc. through a digital platform [www.ncs.gov.in].
