

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1377
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30TH JULY, 2026**

STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES AND MODEL CAREER CENTRES

1377. SHRI BHASHYAM RAMA KRISHNA:

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

- (a) the current status and functioning of Employment Exchanges/Model Career Centres (MCCs) across the country;**
- (b) whether Government has assessed the effectiveness of these Exchanges/MCCs in facilitating placements, particularly in the private sector and if so, the findings thereof, and;**
- (c) the steps being taken by Government to strengthen these institutions and enhance private sector participation in job placements; and**
- (d) whether Government proposes to further integrate Employment Exchanges/MCCs with the National Career Service (NCS) portal to provide job-seekers with career counselling, skill mapping and real-time vacancy information and if so, the details thereof?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Government is implementing National Employment Service through a network of Employment Exchanges. Employment is the joint concern of the Central and State Government. Centre formulates policies, standards and procedures for operating employment exchanges whereas administrative and financial control of Employment Exchanges lies with the respective State/UT Government.

Ministry of Labour and Employment is running the National Career Service (NCS) Portal for transformation of the National Employment Service. The NCS Portal 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].

As on 15.07.2026, there are 1008 Employment Exchanges in the country. Further, under the NCS project, the Government has approved 407 Model Career Centres (MCCs), which also includes 370 Employment Exchanges, that have been upgraded as MCCs. These centres deliver career related services such as organizing online/ offline job fairs, mobilize the employers, provide online/ offline career counselling at local level etc. in collaboration with State and other institutions to the jobseekers and employers through outreach activities. As on date, 31 States/UTs have been integrated with the NCS portal including 8 States/UTs which are directly using NCS Portal.

Notifying final hiring figures is not a mandatory requirement on NCS portal. However, the job hiring data is available only to the extent as voluntarily reported by the employers.

Further, Ministry has entered into strategic Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with private partners such as job portals, placement organizations and reputed institutions in order to enhance the visibility and access to the job opportunities from the reputed and top companies. These MoUs have been instrumental in expanding outreach and providing greater access to diverse employment opportunities for the jobseekers across the country.
