

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2975
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13TH AUGUST, 2026**

EMPLOYMENT GENERATION IN ODISHA

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

- (a) the number of persons from Odisha who have secured employment through Central Government employment initiatives, till date, scheme-wise;**
- (b) the funds released for employment generation in the State; and**
- (c) the steps taken to enhance employment opportunities in the State?**

ANSWER

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

(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 (MoSPI) since 2017–18. The PLFS methodology was revamped with effect from January 2025, with the introduction of monthly employment and unemployment estimates as one of its key revisions.

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 in the State of Odisha has increased from 55.1% in 2022 to 61.3% in 2025 and the Unemployment Rate (UR) has decreased from 5.1% in 2022 to 2.9% in 2025.

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

The employment generated through select schemes of Central Government in the State of Odisha is at Annexure.

Budgetary allocations and expenditure under various schemes are as per provision of the scheme and are available at <https://www.indiabudget.gov.in/doc/eb/allsbepdf>.

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.

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.

Also, 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. Since the implementation of the scheme, an incentive amount of ₹11.21 crore has been disbursed to 21,875 lakh first-time employees under Part A, while ₹33.75 crore has been disbursed to 1,354 beneficiary establishments under Part B of the scheme, up to June 2026, in the State of Odisha.

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].

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) to (c) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2975 due for reply on 13.08.2026.

Employment generation/beneficiaries in Central Schemes in the State of Odisha

Sl. No.	Name of scheme/programme	Beneficiaries
1	Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) (From 08.04.2015 to 26.06.2026 (provisional))	36,865,571 (No. of Loan A/cs)
2	Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi Scheme) (From FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26)	90,513 (Loans Sanctioned)
3	Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) (FY 2008-09 to FY 2025-26)	3,75,017 (Estimated Employment Generated)
4	Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G)	1024751 (Persondays Generated)
5	Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY)	177853 {No. of candidates placed since 2014-15 to 2025-26 (till January, 2026)}
6	Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs)	2.38 lakh (No. of candidates settled since inception till Jan, 2026)

Source: Concerned Ministry