GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3210 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5.12.2016

REGULATOR FOR EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES

3210. DR. K. GOPAL:

Will the minister of labour and employment be pleased to state:

- (a)whether the government proposes to set up regulator for employment agencies by amending the contract labour law 1971;
- (b)if so, the details thereof;
- (c)the steps taken/being taken by the government to ensure that the workers are not duped by the hiring agencies in the country; and
- (d)the action taken including cancellation of licences taken by the government against such agencies, during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. Presently, there is no such proposal.

(c) & (d): A well-established Central Industrial Relations Machinery (CIRM) is in place to enforce various labour laws in Central Sphere including the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970. The country-wide network of Dy. Chief Labour Commissioners and Regional the Labour Commissioners under control of Chief Labour **Commissioner (Central) is mandated to settle the complaints/claims in** regard to grievances/complaints arising out of the enforcement of various labour laws. Besides, a grievance redressal mechanism exists in the States/UTs in respect of the grievances pertaining to establishment coming under the State Sphere.

For effective implementation of various labour laws, regular inspections are conducted by the Officers of Central Industrial Relations Machinery (CIRM). The details of enforcement in respect of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 for the past three years is as under :-

Particulars	2013-14	2014- 15	2015-16
No. of Inspections conducted	7235	4779	10593
No of Irregularities	86460	61901	117936
No. of Prosecution Launched	4063	3086	3411
No. of Convictions	1476	890	2009

The details in respect of cancellation of licences under the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 is enclosed as Annexure-A.

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The details in respect of cancellation of licences under the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970

Year No. of licensed contractor		No. of new licenses issued	No. of licenses			No. of licensed contractor	No. of contract labour
at the beginning of the year B/F	Cancelled/ revoked		Expired	Total	at the end of the year	covered by such licenses	
	(a)		(b)	(a+b)			
2013-14	36790	14710	18	10299	10317	41183	1967747
2014-15	41183	14371	66	11666	11732	43822	1903170
2015-16	43822	16255	175	10877	11052	49025	2092673

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