

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 429**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2017**

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**429. SHRI JOSE K. MANI:**

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

- (a) whether as per recent data released by centre for monitoring Indian Economy about 1.5 million jobs have been lost during January-April, 2017 even as employment figures of leading listed companies are showing a net decline in employment during the period and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether the latest report of labour Bureau's Quarterly Employment Survey for October-December last year mentions that 1.52 lakh casual and 46,000 part time jobs were lost in 8 key sectors of the economy and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether adverse impact of demonetization still lingers on the employment sector; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**  
**(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a): To ascertain employment and unemployment situation in the country, Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment conducts Employment-Unemployment Surveys annually. Last such survey was conducted during 2015-16. As per the survey reports, the unemployment rate on usual status basis for persons aged 15 years and above in country during 2015-16 was 3.7% in comparison to unemployment rate of 4.0% during 2012-13.**

**(b) to (d): Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, has been conducting Quarterly Quick Employment surveys in the selected eight sectors and as per the results of the Survey, the increase in employment in selected eight sectors was 1.22 Lakh in 1st January 2017 over 1st October 2016 in the country. There is no data on employment available for the period subsequent to demonetization. The Employment generation is a key priority of the Government. Government has focused on making employment opportunities accessible to unemployed persons. In order to improve the employability of youth, around 22 Ministries/Departments run skill development schemes across various sectors.**

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