

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 415  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2018**

**FORMAL SKILLS**

**415. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI:**

**Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:**

- (a) the rate of job growth in the formal and informal sectors of the Indian Economy in the year 2017-18;
- (b) the percentage of workforce with formal skills in India today;
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to create formal skills in the labor force and the success rate of these measures;
- (d) whether the Government has taken cognizance of the fact that India stands at Rank 103, lower than the BRICS nations, amongst 130 countries on the Global Human Capital Index and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has taken/ is planning to take any new measures in response to this low ranking and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF  
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
(SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE)**

**(a) & (b)** As per National Sample Survey Office report "Status of Education and Vocational Training in India", 2011-12, among persons of age 15-59 years, about 2.2% have received formal vocational training and 8.6% have received non-formal vocational training.

As per the Labour Bureau report "Fifth Annual Employment – Unemployment Survey (2015-16)", 47.8% of the persons aged 15 years & above were reported to be employed during the reference period of the survey. The survey results showed that majority of the persons were employed in the primary sector.

**(c) to (e)** The Global Human Capital Report, 2017 brought out by the World Economic Forum (WEF), using their own methodology, ranks 130 countries on how

well they are developing their human capital. The report has ranked India lower than other BRICS nations.

The Government is implementing a number of schemes for imparting employable skills to the youth through short term and long term training. Under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), the flagship scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), about 34.9 lakh (about 27.8 lakhs candidates under fresh training and about 7.2 lakhs under Recognition of Prior Learning) candidates have been trained so far. Initiative has also been taken to set up Model Skill Centres called Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs), in districts. As on 15.12.2017, 527 PMKKs have been allocated to 484 districts throughout the country.

Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) infrastructure has been strengthened to impart long term training. There are 13912 ITIs in the country with seating capacity of 29.6 lakh.

In order to promote apprenticeship, thereby creating industry-ready workforce, the Government has launched the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) on 19th August 2016 under which 2.92 lakh apprentices have been engaged/trained during 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Convergence with more than 20 Central Ministries/Departments implementing skill development programmes has been initiated. Under this initiative, 90.78 lakh people have so far been trained under various programmes of these Ministries/Departments in 2016-17.

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