

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4191  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2018**

**CREATION OF JOBS**

4191. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is considering to draw a road map for creation of jobs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is true that a discussion in this regard has been held involving all ministries; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND  
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS**

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

**(a) to (d):** An Expert Taskforce on Employment and Exports was constituted under the Chairmanship of Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog to provide a major thrust to job creation by enhancing India's exports. The Taskforce also had Secretaries from some of the Ministries as members. The Taskforce has since submitted its report.

The Government of India is undertaking a number of initiatives for creation of jobs and improving access to opportunities for decent employment and entrepreneurship. The major initiatives undertaken include Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Protsahan Yojana to cover all sectors for payment of Employees Provident Fund (EPF) contribution of new employees for the next three years, implementation of fixed term employment in all sectors, Amendments in Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) Act to reduce contribution of women employees from 12 % to 8%; providing credit support, capital and interest support to Micro, Small and Medium enterprises; MUDRA Yojana to make available collateral free easy loan especially to the marginalized section of society viz. women, SC/ST & OBC. The allocation under various employment generation programmes such as Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme, ASPIRE (A Scheme for Promotion of Innovation, Rural Industry and Entrepreneurship) has seen an increasing trend. The National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme focuses on providing hands-on training to the prospective workforce with a provision of stipend support from Government of India to the industry to make the youth job ready.

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