## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

## LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*312 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE $8^{\text{TH}}$ AUGUST, 2018

## DATA ON EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

\*312. SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI: SHRIMATI SANTOSH AHLAWAT:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to adopt any new method to collect accurate data on employment and unemployment based on the proposed survey of one lakh households and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government also proposes to include the number of loans provided under the MUDRA Scheme in employment data, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA)

(a) & (b): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 312 for answer on 08.08.2018

(a): National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) has started a new regular employment-unemployment survey, namely Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) since April, 2017. The methodology for this survey has been formulated by the Standing Committee on Labour Force Statistics (SCLFS) and approved by the National Statistical Commission. In this survey, annually almost one Lakh households from 12,800 sampling units (7,024 villages and 5,776 Urban Frame Survey (UFS) blocks) are being surveyed at all-India level.

The primary objective of PLFS is to measure quarterly changes of key Labour Force Indicators (such as Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Worker Population Ratio (WPR) and Unemployment Rate (UR)) in urban area as well as to generate the annual estimates of different labour force indicators both in rural and urban areas. For measuring the labour force indicators, both Current Weekly Status (CWS) and Usual Status (US) approach are followed.

(b): In order to assess employment generation including self employed under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna (PMMY), Ministry of Labour and Employment has taken a decision to institute a survey for this purpose. Labour Bureau, as an attached office of Ministry of Labour and Employment has been entrusted with this survey work. 5000 Branches of Banks/Micro Finance Institution (MFI) and about 1 lakh beneficiaries under MUDRA Scheme will be covered to generate estimates of employment.

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