# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2995 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST. 2018

## **EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE SCHEME**

#### 2995. SHRI SADASHIV LOKHANDE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated/proposes to formulate any new Employment Guarantee scheme for the unemployed in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is satisfied with the present schemes/ programmes being implemented to check unemployment in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

## ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority concern of the Government. Ministry of Rural Development has been implementing 'The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005' which provides at least one hundred days of guaranteed wage employment in every financial year to every household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work. The demand for work itself is influenced by various factors such as rain-fall pattern, availability of alternative and remunerative employment opportunities outside MGNREGA and prevailing unskilled wage rates.

Further, Government runs various employment generation schemes for beneficiaries like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) implemented by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development, and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) implemented by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs. Details of the progress of the schemes are as follows:

Schemes/Year	2017-18	2018-19
Estimated employment generated under PMEGP (No. of Persons)	387184	111064 (30.06.2018)
Persondays Generated under MGNREGS (Persondays in crore)	234.26	82.51 (20.07.2018)
Candidates placed in jobs after training (DDU-GKY) (No.of Persons)	75787	23757 (10.07.2018)
Skill Trained Persons given Placement DAY-NULM (No. of Persons)	115140	22518 (09.07.2018)

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) is a scheme to extend collateral free loans by Banks, Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) and Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) to small/micro business enterprises in the non-agricultural sector to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities. Under PMMY, the number of loans sanctioned during 2015-16 to 2017-18 were 12.27 crore, out of which 3.49 crore were new entrepreneurs.

In order to improve the employability of youth, around 22 Ministries/Departments run skill development schemes across various sectors.

Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana has been initiated by the Ministry of Labour and Employment in the year 2016-17 for incentivizing employers for promoting employment generation. Under this scheme, Government is paying the entire employer's contribution (12 % or as admissible) towards the EPS and EPF for all sectors w.e.f. 01.04.2018 to all eligible new employees and is applicable for all sectors for the next 3 years. Till 30th July, 2018, benefits have been given to 76908 Establishments covering 61.36 lakh beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY).

Government has also implemented the National Career Service (NCS) Project which comprises a digital portal that provides a nation-wide online platform for jobseekers and employers for job matching in a dynamic, efficient and responsive manner and has a repository of career content.

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