GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 822 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2018

EMPLOYMENT-UNEMPLOYMENT SURVEY

822. KUMARI SUSHMITA DEV: SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:

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

- (a)whether the Government has discontinued the Labour Bureau's annual Employment-Unemployment Survey report after the unemployment data inched up to 5.1% in rural sector and 4.9% in urban areas;
- (b)if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c)whether the Government has any authoritative data of jobs created in the last four years;
- (d)if so, the details thereof; and
- (e)whether it is a fact that many citizens across the country are underemployed and if so, the details thereof along with the authentic data of the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): Labour Bureau, an attached office of the Ministry of Labour and Employment has been conducting household based Annual Employment Unemployment Surveys (EUS) since 2010. So far five reports have been released and data processing work of the sixth report is in progress. On the recommendation of the Task Force on Improving Employment Data, this Survey however has been discontinued and replaced by the Periodic Labour Force Survey(PLFS) being conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation in order to avoid duplicity of efforts and provide employment data on a fast frequency and holistic manner.
- (c) to (d): As per the Quarterly Employment Survey (QES) being conducted by Labour Bureau in the sizeable segment of non-farm industrial economy in establishments employing 10 or more workers which measure relative change in employment situation over successive quarters, there is an overall positive change in employment of 11.72 lakhs workers between January 2014 and October, 2017.
- (e): Data for present level of under-employment are not available.
