

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 830
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23RD JULY, 2018**

UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG YOUTHS

830. SHRIMATI VEENA DEVI:

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

- (a) whether the population of youths aspiring for employment is increasing each year along with the increase in population of the country;**
- (b) if so, the estimated increase in the number of job aspirant youths in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;**
- (c) whether new employment opportunities are being created in sync with the number of these job aspirants;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the average number of new job opportunities created per annum; and**
- (e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?**

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): As per the results of last four available labour force surveys of Employment-Unemployment conducted by Labour Bureau, the Unemployment Rate (UR) based on usual status approach for persons aged 15 Years & above are 3.3% in 2011-12, 4.0% in 2012-13, 3.4% in 2013-14 and 3.7% in 2015-16.

(c) to (e): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority concern of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment

Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) and Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) schemes run by Ministry of Rural Development and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation. The Make in India, Skill India, Digital India schemes are being implemented by the Government and these are likely to enhance the employment base. MUDRA and START UPS scheme are initiated by the Government for facilitating self employment.

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

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

Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana has been initiated by the Ministry of Labour and Employment in the year 2016-17 for incentivizing industry 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 from the date of registration of the new employee. Till 16 July, 2018 status of the progress of the scheme is as follows:

(i) Benefits have been given to 73,150 Establishments covering 58.75 lakh beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY).

(ii) Benefits have been given to 786 Establishments covering 2.65 lakh beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Paridhan Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMPRPY).
