

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1060
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17TH DECEMBER, 2018**

CHALLENGE OF EMPLOYMENT

1060. SHRI JANAK RAM:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated/proposes to formulate any scheme to award professional degree along with the graduation degree in the Universities to tackle the challenges of employment/counter the problem of unemployment and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether this action plan is proposed to be implemented in States and Central Universities as well and if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the names of the Universities in Bihar State in which it is likely to be implemented?**

ANSWER

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

(a): To tackle the challenges of employment/ counter the problem of unemployment, a programme named Scheme for Higher Education Youth for Apprenticeship and Skills (SHREYAS) is under consideration. The objective is to integrate professional skills into the mainstream of education.

In the first track, all degree students passing out of final year will be offered a six month apprenticeship option in their chosen sector from the list of job roles identified by the Sector Skill Councils of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship. Interested and selected students will earn stipend during their period of apprenticeship and obtain certification at the end of the tenure.

In the second track, apprenticeship would be built into existing B.Voc courses and in addition, new courses, BA (Professional), BSc. (Professional), B.Com (Professional), would be introduced, where general curriculum and vocational training through apprenticeship would be embedded into the course. Separate, apprenticeship embedded courses would also be formulated in various trades for the benefit of students to enhance their employability.

(b) & (c): All Colleges/ Universities (both state and central) in the Higher Education system will be covered under this scheme.
