

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2423
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019**

SURVEY TO COLLECT DATA REGARDING EMPLOYMENT

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SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted/is considering to conduct a big survey to collect correct data regarding employment/unemployment from across the country;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the actual job opportunities created since 2014 and the basis on which the said survey is likely to be conducted and the persons likely to be covered under it;**
- (c) whether as per Government data growth rate is lowest during the last five years and we are now lagging behind China in this regard;**
- (d) if so, the steps being taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to tackle the said challenge; and**
- (e) the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

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

(a): Yes Sir. Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation has launched a new regular employment-unemployment survey, namely, Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) during 2017-18 with certain changes in survey methodology, data collection mechanism and sampling design. In PLFS, information on employment and unemployment particulars from all the members of selected households are collected. The survey covered the whole of the India.

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(b): 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), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Deendyal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM). Details of the employment generated through these schemes/programmes are given at Annexure-I.

(c) to (e): As per the estimates of Central Statistics Office (CSO), growth of Indian economy was 7.2% in 2017-18 and 6.8% in 2018-19. It was higher as compared to the growth of Chinese economy which stood at 6.8 % in 2017 and 6.6 % in 2018 (as per the World Economic Outlook, April 2019). The GDP growth rates (%) at Constant (2011-12) and Current Prices for the last 5 years is given at Annexure-II.

Economic growth is high on the agenda of the Government. Various reforms are being undertaken by the government in many spheres to improve GDP growth. The key reforms in government's new term include expansion to all farmers the cash transfer scheme "PM-Kisan" providing an income support of Rs.6000/- per year, which was earlier limited to farmers with a land holding of less than 2 hectares. Along with this, government has also launched voluntary pension scheme for small and marginal farmers and small shopkeepers or retail traders. Further to give focused attention to issues of growth, the Government has constituted a five-member cabinet committee on investment and growth chaired by Hon'ble Prime Minister. Earlier measures taken by the government for growth promotion, inter-alia, include historic support and outreach programme for the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector, expansion and facilitation of MSMEs across the country, fillip to manufacturing via Make in India programme, measures to improve ease of doing business, comprehensive reforms in the foreign direct investment policy, and introduction of the Goods and Services Tax.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No 2423 to be answered on 08/07/2019 raised by Shri Rajan Vichare and Shri Chandra Sekhar Sahu' regarding 'Survey to Collect Data Regarding Employment'

Employment Generated				
Schemes/Year	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Estimated employment generated under PMEGP (in lakh)	3.23	4.08	3.87	5.87 (till 31-03-2019)
Persondays Generated under MGNREGS (in crore)	235.14	235.64	233.74	267.9 (till May -2019)
Candidates placed under DDU-GKY (in lakh)	1.09	1.48	0.76	1.36 (till May-2019)
Placement under DAY-NULM (in lakh)	0.34	1.52	1.15	1.63 (till 18-06-2019)

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Gross Domestic Product (GDP) Growth Rates (%) at Constant (2011-12) and Current Prices for the last 5 years

Year	At Constant (2011-12) Prices	At Current Prices
2014-15	7.4	11.0
2015-16	8.0	10.5
2016-17	8.2	11.5
2017-18	7.2	11.3
2018-19	6.8	11.2
