GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1921 TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022

RESTORE JOBS

1921. SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

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

- (a)whether the Government has conducted any survey or research on the employment opportunities both in organised and unorganised sector in the country post Covid Pandemic;
- (b)if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c)whether it is a fact that twenty crore workers in the unorganised sectors and five crore in organised sectors were badly affected by Covid pandemic and suffer loss of jobs; and
- (d)if so, the appropriate action taken by the Government to restore jobs, sector-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (d): As per latest Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), the estimated Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above was 49.8%, 50.2%, 53.5% and 54.9% during 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21, respectively, which shows an increasing trend.

Employment generation coupled with improving employability of the youth is the priority concern of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country through various schemes viz. 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 Deendayal Antodaya Yojana-National Livelihoods Mission Urban (DAY-NULM), Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana(PMMY), Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana (ABRY) etc.

The Government has also provided fiscal stimulus of more than rupees twenty seven lakh crore as part of the Aatmanirbhar financial package specifically to create employment opportunities for migrant workers, workers for unorganised sector, strengthening of MSME Sector and promoting rural economy. It includes plethora of initiatives for all these sectors.

Government has implemented the National Career Service (NCS) Project as a Mission Mode Project for transformation of the National Employment Service to provide a variety of employment related services like job matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses, apprenticeship, internships, etc.
