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

(a) whether the Government has taken any special measures to increase employment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to create maximum opportunities in the economically backward areas of the country including Uttar Pradesh, Haryana and Madhya Pradesh particularly in Shravasti, Kurukshetra and Khandwa Parliamentary Constituencies?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Accordingly, the Government of India has taken various steps for generating employment in the country including economically backward areas across the country.

Investments in Infrastructure and productive capacity have a large multiplier impact on growth and employment. The budget of 2023-24 proposed to increase capital investment outlay steeply for the third year in a row by 33 per cent to Rs 10 lakh crore, which would be 3.3 per cent of GDP. This substantial increase in recent years is central to the government’s efforts to enhance growth potential and job creation.

The Government of India has announced Aatmanirbhar Bharat package to provide stimulus to business and to mitigate the adverse impact of Covid-19. Under this package, the Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than Rupees Twenty Seven lakh crore. This package comprises of various long term schemes/programmes/policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.
The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) was launched with effect from 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic. The terminal date for registration of beneficiaries was 31.03.2022. Since inception of the scheme, till 11.03.2023, benefits have been provided to 60.31 lakhs beneficiaries under the scheme. Under the scheme, benefits have been provided to 4.32 lakh beneficiaries in the State of Uttar Pradesh out of which 9 beneficiaries were from Shravasti district, 3.99 lakh beneficiaries in the State of Haryana out of which 2241 beneficiaries were from Kurukshetra district and 2.05 lakh beneficiaries in the State of Madhya Pradesh out of which 1173 beneficiaries were from Khandwa district.

Government is implementing Prime Minister Street Vendor’s AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi Scheme) since June 01, 2020 to facilitate collateral free working capital loan to street vendors to restart their businesses, which were adversely impacted during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) was launched by the Government for facilitating self-employment. Under PMMY, collateral free loans upto Rs. 10 lakh, are extended to micro/small business enterprises and to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities.

The Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes is being implemented by the Government with an outlay of Rs. 1.97 lakh crore, for a period of 5 years starting from 2021-22 which have potential for creating 60 lakh new jobs.

PM GatiShakti is a transformative approach for economic growth and sustainable development. The approach is driven by seven engines, namely, Roads, Railways, Airports, Ports, Mass Transport, Waterways and Logistics Infrastructure. This approach is powered by Clean Energy and Sabka Prayas leading to huge job and entrepreneurial opportunities for all.

The Government of India is encouraging various projects involving substantial investment and 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 Deen Dayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) etc. for employment generation in the country.

Government is implementing National Career Service (NCS) Project to provide a variety of employment related services like job search and matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses etc. through a digital platform [www.ncs.gov.in]. The NCS project aims to provide seamless access to jobseekers and employers, decent employment opportunities to the aspiring youth of the country and to facilitate career development assistance.
Besides these initiatives, various flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Start-up India, Stand-up India, Digital India, Housing for All etc. are also oriented towards generating employment opportunities in the country including the State of Uttar Pradesh.

All these initiatives are expected to collectively generate employment in the medium to long term through multiplier-effects.

As per information received from Government of Uttar Pradesh, Rozgar Melas are organized through Sewayojan Portal (sewayojan.up.in) in coordination with NCS Portal. In the State of Uttar Pradesh, since 2020-21 till 31st January, 2023, 3227 job fairs were conducted and 4.37 lakh jobs were provided to the jobseekers thereby. In the district of Shravasti, since 2020-21 till 31st January, 2023, 29 job fairs were conducted wherein 2422 jobs were provided to the jobseekers.

As per information received from Government of Haryana, to enhance employability of the applicants and to cater the market demands for skilled class, appropriate arrangements for skilling of the youth have been done by imparting them skill training through Haryana skill Development Mission (HSDM) and Shri Vishwakarma Skill University.

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