GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 209 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2023

IMPROVEMENT IN LIFE AND WELFARE OF FARM LABOURERS

*209. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA: SHRI D.K. SURESH:

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

- (a)the details of the steps taken by the Government for improvement in the life and welfare of farm labourers;
- (b)the details of the farm labourers benefitted from the said schemes in Kandhamal Parliamentary Constituency of Odisha including the other plans of the Government for their upliftment;
- (c)the details of the welfare schemes run by the Government, particularly for rural and farm labourers;
- (d)the funds allocated under the said schemes during the last three years and the current year, State and district-wise, particularly in Odisha and Karnataka; and
- (e)the steps being taken by the Government to meet the needs of farm labourers in connection with proper education, living conditions and daily needs, etc.?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 209 FOR 18.12.2023 REGARDING IMPROVEMENT IN LIFE AND WELFARE OF FARM LABOURERS.

(a) to (e): As per the provisions of the Unorganised Workers" Social Security Act (UWSS), 2008, the Government is committed to provide Social Security to all the workers of the unorganised sector including farm labourers by formulating suitable welfare schemes on the matters relating to: (i) life and disability cover; (ii) health and maternity benefits; (iii) old age protection; and (iv) any other benefit as may be determined by the Central Government.

Life and Disability cover is provided through Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY). Risk coverage under PMJJBY scheme is for Rs. 2.00 Lakh in case of death of insured, due to any reason, at annual premium of Rs. 436/-. The PMSBY is also available to the people in the age group of 18 to 70 years with a bank/post office account. The risk coverage under the scheme is for Rs. 2.00 Lakh in case of accidental death or total permanent disability and Rs. 1.00 lakh for partial permanent disability due to accident at a premium of Rs. 20/- per annum. As on 29.11.2023, the cumulative registration under PMJJBY and PMSBY for Odisha is 63,90,697 and 1,66,66,162 and for Karnataka state is 85,52,713 and 1,86,95,519 respectively. The district wise detail of Odisha and Karnataka is attached at Annexure- 1.

The health and maternity benefits are insured through Ayushman Bharat- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) under deprivation and occupation criteria. It provides health insurance coverage upto Rs. 5.00 lakhs per family for secondary and tertiary care related hospitalization.

In order to provide old age social security cover, the Government of India launched Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM) pension scheme in 2019. It provides monthly pension of Rs. 3000/- after attaining the age of 60 years. The workers in the age group of 18-40 years whose monthly income is Rs.15000/- or less and who are not a member of EPFO/ESIC/NPS (Govt. funded) can join the PM-SYM Scheme. Under this scheme 50% monthly contribution is payable by the beneficiary and equal matching contribution is paid by the Central Government. Under the scheme, the funds towards Government's contribution are provided to LIC being the fund manager. Under the scheme, the constituency wise data is not maintained, however, a total of 2,606 unorganised workers including farm labourers have been enrolled in Kandhamal district of Odisha. The details of enrollment done in Odisha and Karnataka in respect of PM-SYM is attached at Annexure-II. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS) is a demand driven wage employment scheme which provides for the enhancement of livelihood security of the households in rural areas by providing at least one hundred days of guaranteed wage employment in every financial year to every household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work. Apart from above, other schemes such as Public Distribution System through One Nation One Ration Card scheme under National Food Security Act, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Gareeb Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan, Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana, PMSVANidhi, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, PM Vishwakarma etc. are also available for the unorganised workers including farm labourers depending upon their eligibility criteria. These schemes are demand driven and accordingly the budget is allocated.

Further, the Government has launched e-Shram portal in August, 2021 with an objective to create National Database of Unorganised Workers and to facilitate delivery of Social Security Schemes/Welfare Schemes to the unorganised workers. As on 12.12.2023, more than 29.21 crore unorganised workers have been registered on eShram portal. The total count of unorganised workers including farm labourers registered on e-Shram portal is 1,37,450 in Kandhamal District of Odisha till 11.12.2023.

Financial Year	Budget Allocation (Rs.in Crore)
2020-21	500
2021-22	400
2022-23	350
2023-24	350

Fund allocated under PM-SYM scheme during the last three years and the current year is mentioned below:

The fund is utilized for payment to the implementing agency and payment of equal government contribution and admin expenses done by LIC from time to time.

The Right of Children to free and compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 mandates the appropriate Government to provide free and compulsory elementary education to every child of the age of 6-14 years in a neighborhood school. Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 209 For 18.12.2023 Regarding Improvement In Life And Welfare Of Farm Labourers raised by Shri Achyutananda Samanta and Shri D. K. Suresh.

Sl No	State	District	PMJJBY enrollments	PMSBY enrollments
1	Odisha	Anugul	248166	563539
2	Odisha	Balangir	249768	678199
3	Odisha	Baleshwar	316957	896024
4	Odisha	Bargarh	252110	684197
5	Odisha	Bhadrak	178866	568140
6	Odisha	Boudh	71722	186667
7	Odisha	Cuttack	353919	985289
8	Odisha	Deogarh	52157	131733
9	Odisha	Dhenkanal	241808	574799
10	Odisha	Gajapati	87086	217811
11	Odisha	Ganjam	543874	1395633
12	Odisha	Jagatsinghapur	155758	427697
13	Odisha	Jajapur	236023	726593
14	Odisha	Jharsuguda	105824	247933
15	Odisha	Kalahandi	179142	488242
16	Odisha	Kandhamal	113187	295295
17	Odisha	Kendrapara	151709	515008
18	Odisha	Kendujhar	261771	692102
19	Odisha	Khordha	374241	1075620
20	Odisha	Koraput	192091	420885
21	Odisha	Malkangiri	103581	193080
22	Odisha	Mayurbhanj	427859	1025824
23	Odisha	Nabarangpur	148986	322329
24	Odisha	Nayagarh	139537	355179
25	Odisha	Nuapada	117413	270710
26	Odisha	Puri	228205	675141
27	Odisha	Rayagada	149930	319696
28	Odisha	Sambalpur	206129	520491
29	Odisha	Sonepur	96617	285371
30	Odisha	Sundargarh	406261	926935
31	Karnataka	Bagalkote	291891	616355
32	Karnataka	Bengaluru Urban	1271138	2863983
33	Karnataka	Bengaluru Rural	189545	436587
34	Karnataka	Belagavi	684638	1388154
35	Karnataka	Ballari	223908	397795
36	Karnataka	Bidar	186772	449560
37	Karnataka	Vijayapura	284474	656383
38	Karnataka	Chamarajanagara	144523	333766
39	Karnataka	Chikkamagaluru	195593	420438
40	Karnataka	Chitradurga	207224	434319
41	Karnataka	Dakshina Kannada	313294	881895
42	Karnataka	Davangere	255717	498300

43	Karnataka	Dharwad	287763	632225
44	Karnataka	Gadag	182219	392677
45	Karnataka	Kalaburagi	252558	589178
46	Karnataka	Hassan	273177	571140
47	Karnataka	Haveri	255648	555504
48	Karnataka	Kodagu	103499	248838
49	Karnataka	Kolar	177731	407309
50	Karnataka	Koppal	167352	323669
51	Karnataka	Mandya	283122	537624
52	Karnataka	Mysuru	416718	902131
53	Karnataka	Raichur	267266	508641
54	Karnataka	Shivamogga	269199	573706
55	Karnataka	Tumakuru	341922	706339
56	Karnataka	Udupi	214157	527008
57	Karnataka	Uttara Kannada	260177	608617
58	Karnataka	Chikkaballapura	137080	332138
59	Karnataka	Ramanagara	143072	344707
60	Karnataka	Yadgir	138219	285401
61	Karnataka	Vijayanagar	133117	271132

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Sl. No.	State	District	Registration under PM-SYM
1	ODISHA	Baleshwar	19099
2	ODISHA	Ganjam	11782
3	ODISHA	Cuttack	11428
4	ODISHA	Kendujhar	9693
5	ODISHA	Jajapur	9644
6	ODISHA	Anugul	8646
7	ODISHA	Sundargarh	8121
8	ODISHA	Mayurbhanj	7926
9	ODISHA	Koraput	7608
10	ODISHA	Puri	7448
11	ODISHA	Bhadrak	7032
12	ODISHA	Kendrapara	6250
13	ODISHA	Balangir	6058
14	ODISHA	Khordha	6042
15	ODISHA	Dhenkanal	5896
16	ODISHA	Jagatsinghapur	5858
17	ODISHA	Bargarh	5358
18	ODISHA	Nayagarh	5097
19	ODISHA	Nabarangpur	4908
20	ODISHA	Kalahandi	4899
21	ODISHA	Sambalpur	4143
22	ODISHA	Sonepur	3634
23	ODISHA	Gajapati	3043
24	ODISHA	Kandhamal	2606
25	ODISHA	Nuapada	2553
26	ODISHA	Deogarh	2409
27	ODISHA	Boudh	2366
28	ODISHA	Jharsuguda	2287
29	ODISHA	Malkangiri	1977
30	ODISHA	Rayagada	1802
31	KARNATAKA	Belagavi	13057
32	KARNATAKA	Dakshina Kannada	12108
33	KARNATAKA	Bengaluru Urban	6804
34	KARNATAKA	Uttara Kannada	6465
35	KARNATAKA	Udupi	6406
36	KARNATAKA	Mysuru	6085
37	KARNATAKA	Shivamogga	5600
38	KARNATAKA	Tumakuru	5170
39	KARNATAKA	Chitradurga	4318
40	KARNATAKA	Vijayapura	4212
41	KARNATAKA	Ballari	4198

42	KARNATAKA	Mandya	4192
43	KARNATAKA	Hassan	4176
44	KARNATAKA	Kalaburagi	4167
45	KARNATAKA	Davangere	4035
46	KARNATAKA	Bagalkote	3855
47	KARNATAKA	Raichur	3721
48	KARNATAKA	Ramanagara	3602
49	KARNATAKA	Bidar	3599
50	KARNATAKA	Haveri	3393
51	KARNATAKA	Gadag	3323
52	KARNATAKA	Dharwad	3171
53	KARNATAKA	Koppal	3011
54	KARNATAKA	Chikkaballapura	3006
55	KARNATAKA	Yadgir	2953
56	KARNATAKA	Bengaluru Rural	2845
57	KARNATAKA	Kolar	2689
58	KARNATAKA	Chamarajanagara	2096
59	KARNATAKA	Chikkamagaluru	1832
60	KARNATAKA	Kodagu	1189
