

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3507
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2020**

WOMEN IN UNORGANISED SECTOR

**3507. SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:
SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:**

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

- (a) whether the ratio of women's poverty is increasing day by day;**
- (b) whether the Government proposes to formulate a comprehensive action plan to remove the poverty of the women working in unorganized sector;**
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (d) if not, the reasons therefore?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): India has embarked on several programs aimed at improving living standard such as provision of electricity, extending sanitation coverage, increasing minimum wages etc. which has resulted drastically in reduction of the poverty including that among women. Improving the women' standard of living is one of the main focuses of the Government. The key initiatives are Ujjawala Yojana, Matri Vandana Yojana, Sukanya Samridhi Yojana, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign, Pradhan Mantri (Gramin) Awas Yojana, Mahatama Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme etc. Further, MSME through innovative ideas and creative solutions empowering women entrepreneurs and business owners through Mudra Yojana Scheme, TREAD (Trade Related Entrepreneurship Assistance and Development), Mahila Udyam Nidhi Scheme, Annapurna Scheme, Stree Shakti Package for Women, Bhartiya Mahila Business Bank Loan, Dena Shakti Scheme, Udyogini Scheme and Cent Kalyani Scheme. The schemes like Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojna (PMJJBY), Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojna (PMSBY), Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan Yojna (PM-SYM) and National Pension Scheme for Traders and Self-Employed Persons (NPS-Traders) are providing Social Security to women in the Unorganised Sector.
