# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

## UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3600 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2020

#### **ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF EMPLOYMENT**

### 3600. SHRI VASANTHAKUMAR H.: DR. A.CHALLAKUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has fixed the targets for annual growth rate of employment in the country including rural and urban areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof particularly the scheme for rural and urban youngsters across the country;
- (c) the actual job opportunities created during the last two years and the current year;
- (d) whether the annual growth of employment does not commensurate with the growth of economy;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to address this issue?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (f): No, sir. However, employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. 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 such as 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).

	Employment Generated		
Schemes/Year	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Estimated employment	387184	587416	257816
generated under PMEGP			(As on 31.12.19)
(No.of person )			
Persondays Generated under	233.74	268.00	205.77
MGNREGS			(As on 28/01/2020)
( in Crore)			
Candidates placed in jobs after	75787	135666	110862
training DDU-GKY			(till Dec 2019)
(No.of person )			
Skill Trained Persons given	115416	163377	44066
Placement DAY-NULM			(As on 27.01.2020)
(No. of person )			

Under Skill India Mission, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has implemented a flagship scheme known as the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal VikasYojana (PMKVY) 2016-20 with an objective to provide skilling to one crore people under Short Term Training (STT) and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) across the country for four years i.e. 2016-2020.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) has been initiated by Government inter alia 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.

Besides these initiatives, flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Digital India, Swachh Bharat Mission, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Housing for All, Infrastructure development and industrial corridors have the potential to generate productive employment opportunities. Ministries/ Departments/ States run skill development schemes across various sectors to improve the employability of youth and also facilitate placements. Schemes such as the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) wherein Government reimburses 25 percent of the stipend payable to apprentices also enhances employability of the youth to access employment.

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