GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1886 TO BE ANSWERED ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

URBAN UNEMPLOYMENT

NO.1886. SHRI KRUPAL BALAJI TUMANE:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether migration from rural to urban areas is one of the major cause of urban unemployment and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the development of economic activities in urban areas is not in accordance with the volume of migration; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to create employment opportunities and adopt rapid development of urban work force in order to enhance the capacity of urban areas?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a)&(b): Migration from rural areas to urban areas is not the main reason for urban unemployment. According to World Migration Report 2015, migrants help in growth and capital accumulation. This report also suggests that migration decisions have a positive and significant impact on livelihood patterns of rural migrants.

(c): The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs is implementing Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), which aims at eliminating poverty and vulnerability among urban poor by imparting skill training for facilitating wage as well as self-employment. Also, the Mission provides for interest subvention on loans availed by individuals and groups for setting up of micro-enterprises.
