GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4216 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.03.2021

CHILD LABOUR IN JHARKHAND

4216. SHRI SANJAY SETH:

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

- (a)whether child labourers are reportedly still being employed in various parts of the country especially in Jharkhand;
- (b)if so, the details thereof along with the total number of Child labourers in the country, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand;
- (c)whether the Government has collected any data of children of Jharkhand being transported to other parts of the country; and

(d)if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Child Labour is an outcome of various socio-economic problems such as poverty, economic backwardness and illiteracy. The Government stands committed to the eradication of child labour from the country. The Government has enacted Child & Adolescent Labour (Prohibition & Regulation) Act, 1986 which inter-alia stipulates the complete prohibition on employment or work of children below 14 years of age in any occupation or process including domestic work and also prohibits employment of adolescents (14-18 years) in hazardous occupation and processes.

As per Census 2011, the number of main workers in the age group of 5-14 years in the country is 43,53,247 and in the State of Jharkhand is 90,996. State wise details are at Annexure.

(c) & (d): As per the Human Trafficking data published by the National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB), based on annual data provided by States/UTs from their Anti-Human Trafficking Units, during 2019, a total of 172 children (below 18 years) were trafficked under Human Trafficking in the State of Jharkhand.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4216 FOR 22.03.2021 BY SHRI SANJAY SETH REGARDING CHILD LABOUR IN JHARKHAND.

State wise details of main workers in the age group of 5-14 years as per Census 2011 are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	No. of main workers in the age group of 5-14 years
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Island	999
2.	Andhra Pradesh*	404851
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	5766
4.	Assam	99512
5.	Bihar	451590
6.	Chandigarh U.T.	3135
7.	Chhattisgarh	63884
8.	Dadra & Nagar H.	1054
9.	Daman & Diu U.T.	774
10.	Delhi U.T.	26473
11.	Goa	6920
12.	Gujarat	250318
13.	Haryana	53492
14.	Himachal Pradesh	15001
15.	Jammu & Kashmir	25528
16.	Jharkhand	90996
17.	Karnataka	249432
18.	Kerala	21757
19.	Lakshadweep UT	28
20.	Madhya Pradesh	286310
21.	Maharashtra	496916
22.	Manipur	11805
23.	Meghalaya	18839
24.	Mizoram	2793
25.	Nagaland	11062
26.	Odisha	92087
27.	Pondicherry U.T.	1421
28.	Punjab	90353
29.	Rajasthan	252338
30.	Sikkim	2704
31.	Tamil Nadu	151437
32.	Tripura	4998
33.	Uttar Pradesh	896301
34.	Uttarakhand	28098
35.	West Bengal	234275
	Total	4353247

* Including Telangana.