# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4241 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND MARCH, 2021

### **UNEMPLOYMENT IN BIHAR**

## 4241. SHRI CHANDESHWAR PRASAD:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide the unemployed persons with employment in view of growing unemployment in Jehanabad, Gaya and Arwal districts of Bihar; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

### **ANSWER**

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

(a to b): Employment generation is a priority of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country including Bihar through 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 Deendayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM).

The Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than rupees twenty seven lakh crore as part of the Aatmanirbhar financial Package. Aatmanirbhar Bharat package comprises of various long term schemes/programmes/ policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojna (ABRY) Scheme has been launched with effect from 1st October 2020 to incentivize creation of new employment along with social security benefits and restoration of loss of employment during COVID-19 pandemic. This scheme reduces the financial burden of the employers of various sectors/industries and encourages them to hire more workers. Under ABRY, Government of India is providing for a period of two years both the employees' share (12% of wages) and employer's share (12% of wages) of contribution payable or only the employees' share, depending on employment strength of the EPFO registered establishments.

Government is implementing the National Career Service (NCS) Project which provides employment related services and also has a digital portal (www.ncs.gov.in) that provides a nation-wide online platform for the job seekers and employers for job search and matching in a dynamic manner. All services on NCS are free of cost.

All these schemes/measures are being implemented in the country including Bihar State.