

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3272
TO BE ANSWERED ON 9TH AUGUST, 2021**

JOB LOSS OF EMPLOYEES OF PRIVATE/GOVERNMENT SECTORS

**3272. SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:**

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

- (a) whether a large number of persons have lost their employment during the Covid-19 pandemic in the country and if so, the details, State-wise;**
- (b) whether the Government have any mechanism to monitor job loss of employees of private and Government sectors in the country and if so, the details therefor;**
- (c) the details of the sectors affected with the pandemic;**
- (d) whether the Government has conducted any study as to how such trend of job loss is to be handled during such situation in private and Government sectors and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and**
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide assistance to those who have become jobless during the period of first and second wave of Covid-19?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (e): The data on employment/ unemployment is being collected through Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18. The latest available report is for the year 2019-20. As per the results of PLFS conducted during 2018-19 and 2019-20, the year-wise/ State-wise estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) on usual status for 15 years and above is at Annexure.

Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation is also publishing monthly payroll data relating to employment in the formal sector. This highlights that cumulative net payroll addition to the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) subscriber base is 77.08 lakh for the year 2020-2021, which is almost at par with

previous year (78.58 lakh). It is observed that there is addition in net payroll as represented by EPFO subscriber base in each month of 2020-21 except for the month of April and May 2020.

Covid-19 pandemic has affected various sectors of the economy. The Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than Rs. twenty seven lakh crore as part of the Aatmanirbhar financial Package, comprising of various long term schemes/programmes/ policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

Government of India has taken a number of initiatives for promoting employment generation in the country. Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) has been launched w.e.f. 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment along with social security benefits and restoration of employment. The new employees under the scheme includes those who have lost their employment during Covid-19 pandemic and didn't join in any EPF covered establishment upto 30.09.2020. The terminal date for registration of beneficiary under the scheme has been extended from 30th June, 2021 to 31st March, 2022.

Government had launched the Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA) of 125 days on 20th June, 2020 to boost employment and livelihood opportunities for returnee migrant workers and similarly affected persons including youth in rural areas, in 116 selected districts across 6 States of Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

Under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY), Government of India has contributed both 12% employer's share and 12% employee's share under Employees Provident Fund (EPF), totaling 24% of the wage for the wage month from March to August, 2020 for the establishments having upto 100 employees with 90% of such employees earning less than Rs. 15000/-. This has helped in protecting employment in EPFO registered establishments during post Covid period.

The unemployment benefit under the Atal Beemit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana being implemented by the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has been enhanced to 50% from 25% of the average earning, payable upto 90 days, alongwith relaxation of eligibility conditions to claim the benefit, for insured workers who have lost employment due to COVID-19.

PM-SVANidhi Scheme has facilitated collateral free working capital loan upto Rs.10,000/- for one-year tenure to street vendors, to help them resume their businesses during the post Covid period.

Government has increased MGNREGA wage to Rs. 202 a day from Rs. 182 to benefit nearly 13.62 crore families.

In addition, RBI and Government of India have taken several monetary and liquidity measures to keep the flow of credit uninterrupted to the productive sectors of the economy including MSME sector.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3272 FOR 09-08-2021 REGARDING JOB LOSS OF EMPLOYEES OF PRIVATE/GOVERNMENT SECTORS.

Worker Population Ratio (WPR) according to usual status (ps+ss) for each State/UT age group: 15 years and above

(in percentage)

Sl. No.	State/UTs	PLFS	
		2018-19	2019-20
1	Andhra Pradesh	54.8	55.5
2	Arunachal Pradesh	40.9	44.3
3	Assam	43.4	43.2
4	Bihar	36.4	39.7
5	Chhattisgarh	61.2	65.4
6	Delhi	44.5	43.3
7	Goa	45.9	47.3
8	Gujarat	49.7	54.7
9	Haryana	41.9	42.9
10	Himachal Pradesh	63.9	70.5
11	Jammu & Kashmir	52.9	52.5
12	Jharkhand	44.9	53.6
13	Karnataka	49.3	53.1
14	Kerala	44.9	45.3
15	Madhya Pradesh	52.3	57.7
16	Maharashtra	50.6	55.7
17	Manipur	44.3	45.5
18	Meghalaya	61.8	58.6
19	Mizoram	45.6	50.7
20	Nagaland	38.1	44.8
21	Odisha	47.6	51.9
22	Punjab	44.2	47.8
23	Rajasthan	50.0	55.0
24	Sikkim	61.1	68.8
25	Tamil Nadu	51.4	55.3
26	Telangana	50.6	55.7
27	Tripura	41.9	49.6
28	Uttarakhand	41.4	49.5
29	Uttar Pradesh	40.8	45.1
30	West Bengal	49.7	49.7
31	A & N Islands	49.1	49.8
32	Chandigarh	47.3	45.5
33	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	68.6	72.2
34	Daman & Diu	55.1	64.5
35	Lakshadweep	29.5	48.0
36	Puducherry	47.8	47.7
37	Ladakh	-	62.7
	All India	47.3	50.9

**Source: Annual report, Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS),
M/o Statistics and Programme Implementation.**