GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5189 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.04.2022

JOBS LOSSES DURING LOCKDOWN

5189. SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY:

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

- (a)whether in the first lockdown in 2020, only seven per cent of men lost their jobs, compared to 47 per cent of women;
- (b)if so, the details thereof comparatively in pre and post Covid-19 situation till date; and
- (c)the current status thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): Labour Bureau has been entrusted with the task of conducting the Quarterly Employment Survey (QES) as a component of All India Quarterly Establishment based Employment Survey (AQEES). The first QES report for the period April-June, 2021 was also designed to collect the information on the Covid-19 pandemic impact on the operational status and employment status of the establishments in the selected 9 sectors. The impact on male & female employees during lockdown period is given at Annexure.

As per the Annual Periodic Labour Force Survey(PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), the estimates of Unemployment Rate (UR) (in percent) according to usual status (ps+ss) for persons of age 15 years and above at all India has decreased from 5.8% in PLFS (2018-19) to 4.8% in PLFS (2019-20).

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The gender-wise Unemployment Rate according to usual status (ps+ss) for persons of age 15 years and above at all India is given below:-

Survey	Male	Female	Person
PLFS 2018-19	6.0%	5.1%	5.8%
PLFS 2019-20	5.0%	4.2%	4.8%

As per the Quarterly Bulletin (April-June 2021) and (July-September 2021) of Periodic Labour Force Survey(PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office(NSO), Unemployment Rate (UR) according to Current Weekly Status (CWS) in urban areas in India has decreased from 12.6% to 9.8% for persons of age 15 years and above. The genderwise Unemployment Rate (UR) (in percent) in Current Weekly Status (CWS) in urban areas in India for persons of age 15 years and above is given below:-

Survey	Male	Female	Person	
PLFS Quarterly Bulletin	12.2%	14.3%	12.6%	
(April-June 2021)				
PLFS Quarterly Bulletin	9.3%	11.6%	9.8%	
(July-September, 2021)				

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Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (c) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 5189 for 04.04.2022 raised by Shri Kotha Prabhakar Reddy.

SI.	Sectors	Number of Employees (in Lakhs)			
No.		Prior to Lockdown (before 25 th March, 2020)		As on 1 st July, 2020	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
1.	Manufacturing	98.7	26.7	87.9	23.3
2.	Construction	5.8	1.8	5.1	1.5
3.	Trade	16.1	4.5	14.8	4
4.	Transport	11.3	1.9	11.1	1.9
5.	Education	38.2	29.5	36.8	28.1
6.	Health	15	10.6	14.8	10.1
7.	Accommodation & Restaurants	7	1.9	6.2	1.7
8.	IT/BPOs	13.6	6.3	12.8	6.1
9.	Financial Services	11.5	5.9	11.3	5.7
Total		217.8	90.0	201.5	83.3

Sector-wise Impact on Number of Employees during Lockdown Period (25th March, 2020 to 30th June, 2020)

Note: "The number in the 'Total' row also take into account the 66 establishments found during the survey which belong to the sectors other than the nine selected sectors".
