GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *18 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18TH JULY, 2022

EMPLOYMENT GENERATION FOR YOUTHS

*18. SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to generate employment for around 10 lakh youths in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and timeframe fixed for its implementation;
- (c) whether the Government has issued any guidelines/directions in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *18 DUE FOR REPLY ON 18-07-2022 REGARDING "EMPLOYMENT GENERATION FOR YOUTHS" BY SHRI RAMESH BIDHURI, M.P.

(a) to (d): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Accordingly, the Government of India has taken various steps for generating employment in the country.

Creation and filling up of posts in the Central Ministries/Departments is the responsibility of the concerned Ministry/ Department and all Ministries/ Departments have been directed to take action in mission mode for filling up the vacant posts in time bound manner.

Further, Budget 2021-22 launched Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes, with an outlay of Rs. 1.97 lakh crore, for a period of 5 years starting from 2021-22. The PLI Schemes being implemented by the Government have potential for creating 60 lakh new jobs. The PLI scheme is implemented by the concerned Ministries/Departments within the overall financial limits prescribed. The guidelines/directions of PLI scheme are issued by the respective Ministries/Departments.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) is being implemented by the Government for facilitating self-employment. Under PMMY, collateral free loans upto Rs. 10 lakh, are extended to micro/small business enterprises and to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities. Upto 08.07.2022, 35.94 crore loans were sanctioned under the scheme.

Government is implementing Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi Scheme) since June 01, 2020 to facilitate collateral free working capital loan to street vendors to restart their businesses, which were adversely impacted during the Covid-19 pandemic. As on July 11, 2022, 33.34 lakh loans amounting to ₹3,615 Crore have been disbursed to 30.26 lakh beneficiaries under the scheme.

The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) has been launched with effect from 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic. The terminal date for registration of beneficiaries was 31.03.2022. As on 13.07.2022 benefits have been provided to 59.54 lakh beneficiaries out of which 53.23 lakh beneficiaries have joined as new joinees.

Besides these initiatives, various flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Start-up India, Digital India, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Deen Dayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) etc. are also oriented towards generating employment opportunities. Further, PM GatiShakti is a transformative approach of Government of India which is powered by Clean Energy and Sabka Prayas leading to huge job and entrepreneurial opportunities for all.

As per the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) on usual status for age 15 years and above has increased from 46.8% in year 2017-18 to 52.6% in year 2020-21. This indicates that more and more people are getting employment.
