GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 32 TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024

SCHEMES FOR LABOUR WELFARE

32. THIRU D M KATHIR ANAND:

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

- (a) the details of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes and Central Sector Schemes being implemented by the Government for labour welfare including the State of Tamil Nadu during the last five years and the current year;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated, sanctioned, released and utilized for each of the above scheme during the last five years and the current year, year-wise, scheme-wise and district-wise;
- (c)the number of labourers who got benefited from the above schemes including Tamil Nadu during the said period;
- (d)whether the Government has studied and documented the challenges faced while implementing these schemes for the labourers and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e)whether the Government intends to provide adequate financial assistance to the State Governments to improve the condition of labourers in the country and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) to (e): The schemes of Ministry of Labour and Employment are Central Sector schemes. Major welfare schemes being implemented are (i) Labour Welfare Scheme (LWS) for welfare of Beedi / Cine/ Non-Coal Mine workers and their family members covering three components viz. health, scholarship and housing; (ii) Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) to incentivise employers for creation of new employment and restoration of loss of employment during Covid-19 pandemic; (iii) National Career Service (NCS) for establishment of Model Career Centres (MCCs); (iv) Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS), 1995 implemented through EPFO; (v) Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PMSYM), a voluntary contributory scheme with matching contribution by Government of India for old age pension; (vi) Rehabilitation of Bonded Labourers for identification and rehabilitation of bonded labourers; (vii) health services through Employees State Insurance Corporation.

The details of expenditure under the major welfare schemes and number of beneficiaries, including the State of Tamil Nadu are Annexed.

Challenges in implementation of the schemes such as awareness and mobilisation of beneficiaries, through State Governments, are addressed with support of State and local authorities, by organizing awareness camps, facilitating enrolment etc.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 32 FOR 25.11.2024 REGARDING "SCHEMES FOR LABOUR WELFARE"

1. PRADHAN MANTRI SHRAM YOGI MAANDHAN (PM-SYM) PENSION SCHEME:

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in Crore)
2020-21	319.71
2021-22	324.23
2022-23	269.91
2023-24	162.51
2024-25	95.18
(as on 20.11.2024)	

As on 20.11.2024, more than 50 lakh beneficiaries have been enrolled on Maandhan portal under PMSYM scheme including 68,641 beneficiaries in State of Tamil Nadu.

2. LABOUR WELFARE SCHEME (LWS):

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in Crore)
2019-20	53.66
2020-21	86.25
2021-22	64.21
2022-23	80.79
2023-24	81.31

The total beneficiaries during the last five years are 96,08,540, out of which beneficiaries in Tamil Nadu region are 15,22,782.

3. National Career Service (NCS):

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in Crore)
2019-20	63.93
2020-21	43.80
2021-22	24.30
2022-23	43.99
2023-24	46.90
2024-25	24.25
(as on 15.11.2024)	

Jobseekers / beneficiaries under NCS during the above financial years (till 15th November, 2024) are 3,70,18,111, out of which 13,83,407 are in the State of Tamil Nadu.

4. Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY):

Year	Amount Disbursed (Rs. in Crore)
2020-21	351.08
2021-22	4046.44
2022-23	4593.08
2023-24	1197.89

As on 31.03.2024, total beneficiaries are 60.49 lakh, out of which 8.05 lakh beneficiaries are in the State of Tamil Nadu.

Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC): Under the ESIC scheme, in the State of Tamil Nadu, there are 11 hospitals (3 ESIC and 8 ESIS) and 241 dispensaries and in-principle approval for 7 new hospitals have been given. There are 43,77,090 insured persons in the State.

6. Rehabilitation of Bonded Labour Scheme:

This scheme is demand driven where funds are provided to States / UTs on receipt of proposals from them. The details of number of beneficiaries and amount released for their rehabilitation in recent years in the State of Tamil Nadu is as under:

Year	No. of Bonded Labourer Rehabilitated in the State of Tamil Nadu	Amount Released for Rehabilitation of Bonded Labourer (Rs. in lakhs) for the State of Tamil Nadu
2021-22	1016	204.73
2022-23	297	59.40
2023-24	176	56.80
2024-25	03	0.60
