

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3769
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH MARCH, 2025**

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

3769. SHRI BRIJENDRA SINGH OLA:

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

- (a) whether the unemployment rate has increased in the country during the last five years;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the details of the status of employment in the country, State/UT-wise?**

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The official data on Employment and Unemployment is collected through Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), which is conducted by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18. The survey period is July to June every year.

As per the data available in latest Annual PLFS Reports, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above has decreased from 4.8% in 2019-20 to 3.2% in 2023-24.

Further, as per the data available in latest Annual PLFS Report, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR), indicating employment on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above has increased from 50.9% in 2019-20 to 58.2% in 2023-24. State/UT-wise details on WPR is available in the PLFS reports at https://www.mospi.gov.in/download-reports?main_cat=ODU5&cat=All&sub_category=All
