GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *201 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04TH AUGUST, 2025

EMPLOYMENT IN GOVERNMENT SECTOR COMPANIES

*201. MRS RUCHI VIRA:

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

- (a) whether unemployment still remains a major challenge in the country despite repeated assurances from the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) the details of the number of the Government sector companies across the country which have provided employment to the youth along with the number of youth employed by these companies during the last five years and the current year, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. MANSUKH MANDAVIYA)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *201 DUE FOR REPLY ON 04.08.2025 BY MRS RUCHI VIRA, M.P. REGARDING "EMPLOYMENT IN GOVERNMENT SECTOR COMPANIES"

(a) & (b): The official data source on Employment and Unemployment is Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) which is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18.

As per the latest available Annual PLFS reports, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons age 15 years and above has decreased from 6.0% in 2017-18 to 3.2% in 2023-24.

As per the data available in latest Annual PLFS Reports, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR), indicating employment on usual status for persons aged 15 years and above during the year 2019-20 to 2023-24 are as follows:

(in %)

Year	WPR
2019-20	50.9
2020-21	52.6
2021-22	52.9
2022-23	56.0
2023-24	58.2

Source: PLFS, MoSPI

The data indicates that the Worker Population Ratio, indicating employment (including Government Sector Companies), for persons age 15 years and above has an increasing trend over the years in the country. The State/UT-wise estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) on usual status for persons age 15 years and above are available at https://www.mospi.gov.in/download-reports?main_cat=ODU5&cat=All&sub_category=All

Employment generation coupled with improving employability is a priority of the Government. Accordingly, Government is implementing various employment generation schemes/ programmes. These inter-alia include Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Rural Self Employment and Training Institutes (RSETIs), Deen Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-Deendayal

NULM), PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi), Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), etc. The details of various employment generation schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government may be seen at https://dge.gov.in/dge/schemes_programmes.

Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, is running the National Career Service (NCS) Portal which is a one-stop solution for providing career related services including information on jobs from private and government sectors, information on online & offline job fairs, job search & matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses, skill/training programmes etc. through a digital platform [www.ncs.gov.in]. As on 14.07.2025, more than 6.43 crore (which inter-alia include Government, Private and Public Sector Undertaking) vacancies have been mobilised on NCS Portal.

In addition, the Union Cabinet has approved Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme named as the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PMVBRY) to support employment generation, enhance employability and social security across all sectors, with special focus on the manufacturing sector.

(c): As per information provided by Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) in Public Enterprises Survey (PE Survey), the year-wise number of CPSEs along with the number of all employees reported are as follows:

Year	Number of CPSEs	Number of all
		employees (in lakhs)
2019-20	250	14.74
2020-21	258	13.72
2021-22	261	14.62
2022-23	261	14.90
2023-24	271	15.19

Source: Survey Division, Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Finance

The State/UT-wise number of youth employed by these companies during the last five years is at Annexure.

Annexure referred in Part(c) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question *201 due for reply on 04.8.2025

State/UT Wise Number of all employees as submitted by CPSEs for the year 2023-24

Sr.	Name of the State/UT	Number of All employees
no.		As on 31.03.2024
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	940
2	Andhra Pradesh	64,377
3	Arunachal Pradesh	1,664
4	Assam	44,322
5	Bihar	26,298
6	Chandigarh	920
7	Chhattisgarh	89,855
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	456
9	Daman and Diu	104
10	Delhi	35,287
11	Goa	4,615
12	Gujarat	66,401
13	Haryana	41,111
14	Himachal Pradesh	5,068
15	Jammu & Kashmir	12,603
16	Jharkhand	1,31,992
17	Karnataka	76,167
18	Kerala	34,300
19	Ladakh	381
20	Lakshadweep	51
21	Madhya Pradesh	97,417
22	Maharashtra	1,68,549
23	Manipur	662
24	Meghalaya	843
25	Mizoram	258
26	Nagaland	746
27	Odisha	1,26,826
28	Puducherry	2595
29	Punjab	20,936
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	Rajasthan	55,271
31	Sikkim Tancil Nada	970
32	Tamil Nadu	1,09,472
33	Telangana	36,778
34	Tripura	3,103
35	Uttar Pradesh	86,103
36	Uttarakhand	19,756
37	West Bengal State/UT wise Total	1,35,736

^{*}For 15,650 employees, either State/UT wise bifurcation not available or deployed overseas

Source: Survey Division, Department of Public Enterprises, Ministry of Finance