GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2306 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2025

REVIEW OF SCHEMES FOR EMPLOYMENT GENERATION

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

- (a) whether the Government has regularly reviewed employment generation under major national schemes during the last ten years;
- (b) if so, the details and major findings thereof;
- (c) the number of persons who have been provided employment directly or indirectly under major schemes during the last ten years in the country, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that despite various economic reforms the unemployment rate in the country is relatively at high level and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Employment generation coupled with improving employability is a priority of the Government. Accordingly, Government is implementing various employment generation schemes/ programmes. The details of the major employment generation schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government may be seen at https://dge.gov.in/dge/schemes_programmes.

The Government undertakes a systematic review and evaluation of all schemes and programmes before the commencement of each Finance Commission cycle to ensure their continued relevance, effectiveness, and alignment with evolving priorities.

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 Worker Population Ratio (WPR), indicating employment on usual status for persons age 15 years and above has increased from 46.8% in 2017-18 to 58.2% in 2023-24.

Further, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above has decreased from 6.0% in 2017-18 to 3.2% in 2023-24.

The detailed State/UT-wise information is available in the PLFS reports which may be seen at the website of MoSPI at https://www.mospi.gov.in/publications-reports.
