GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 989 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.07.2024

EMPOWERMENT OF INFORMAL SECTOR WORKERS

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

- (a)whether the Government is working on a strategy to empower millions of informal sector workers and help them avail the benefits of several welfare schemes;
- (b)if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c)the details of e-Shram-registered workers likely to be benefited thereby;
- (d)whether the database has been prepared and compiled on the e-Shram portal for the benefit of the labourers working in unorganised sector; and
- (e)if so, the details thereof and if not, the time by which the data will be put on e-Shram portal?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Central Government runs various schemes for welfare of informal sector workers. These schemes include (i) Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) (ii) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana (PMKYM) (iii) Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan- Dhan (PM-SYM) (iv) Public Distribution System through One-Nation-One-Ration-Card Scheme under National Food Security Act (v) Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana (vi) Gareeb Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan (vii) Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana (viii) Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana (ix) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (x) PMSVANidhi (xi) Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (xii) Labour Welfare Scheme and health care facilities for Beedi/ Cine & Non-coal Mine workers (xiii) Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) (xiv) Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) (xv) Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (ABPMJAY).

(c) to (e): Ministry of Labour and Employment launched eShram portal on 26th August 2021 for creation of a comprehensive National Database of Unorganized Workers verified and seeded with Aadhaar. eShram portal is meant to register and support the unorganized workers by providing them a Universal Account Numbers (UAN). As on 23rd July 2024, around 29.83 crore unorganized workers have been registered on eShram portal. The eshram portal can be accessed through eshram.gov.in.
