

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION  
LOK SABHA**

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR UNSKILLED MIGRANTS FROM RURAL AREAS

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**Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the uneducated and unskilled migrants from rural areas face difficulties in getting employment opportunity in the cities and towns;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by Government to provide them guidance to save them from exploitation and misery;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up separate cells for registering such entrants in the cities/towns and organise meetings/informative sessions to inform them of the available opportunities and their rights; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION ( KUMARI SELJA )

(a)to(d): Acknowledging the fact of lack of employment opportunities for the unskilled urban poor, who may or may not have migrated from the rural areas, the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), the employment oriented urban poverty alleviation programme of the Central Government, stresses upon the skill training/upgradation of the urban poor to make them better equipped for self-employment or wage employment.

The community empowerment is the focal theme of the scheme of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana. Under this, community development societies take the initiative to generate awareness among the urban poor about the programmes of the Government, available opportunities for the urban poor and their rights.