GOVERNMENT OF INDIA URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF NATIONAL COMMISSION ON ENTERPRISES
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Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up a National Commission on Enterprises in the unorganized/informal sector to address the urban employment;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) the States where the employment scheme is likely to be implemented and the nature of employment atongwith the estimated amount likely to be spent, State-wise;
- (d) whether the said Commission has drawn a proposal to address the urban unemployment in line with the National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme;
- (e) if so, the details of the scheme mooted by the Commission to generate employment in the urban areas; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government to implement the said scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

- (a) and (b) The Government of India has constituted the National Commission on Enterprises in the Unorganized/Informal Sector (NCEUIS) on 20.9.2004 to recommend measures considered necessary for bringing about improvement in the productivity of enterprises in the unorganized/informal sector, generation of large scale employment opportunities on a sustainable basis; enhancing the competitiveness of the sector in the emerging global environment, linkage of the sector with institutional framework in areas such as credit, raw material, infrastructure, technology upgradation, marketing and formulation of suitable arrangements for skill development. The National Commission has been given a term of three years.
- (c) to (e) NCEUIS has prepared a concept note on skill formation and employment assurance in the urban areas, having regard to the fact that while unemployment has increased, the demand for a growing number of skills required by an expanding economy has largely remained unmet. It is envisaged that the unskilled poor will be enabled to acquire employable skills in keeping with the market needs and quality for regular employment at higher wages/self employment. The proposed intervention seeks to focus on an assurance of employable skills through a broad scheme, which would effectively ensure the creation of job opportunities by optimally bridging the mismatch between the demand and supply of skills and incentivising the placement of the beneficiaries of skill training. The full potential of public private partnership is proposed to be harnessed for the purpose of assessment of individual competencies, and development of training modules and certification methodologies.
- (f) At the present preliminary stage of the proposal, the question does not arise.