GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2926 ANSWERED ON:19.03.2008 EMPLOYMENT GENERATION Verma Shri Ravi Prakash

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether some State Governments have alleged that the Union Government has not addressed the core issue of unemployment in Eleventh Plan documents;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the strategic thrust and policy intervention are missing in the Eleventh Plan documents; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to explore the possibility of using monetary policy for employment generation?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (d): Eleventh Plan Document, approved by NDC, envisages rapid growth in employment opportunities. It states that additional employment opportunities in the future will be generated mainly in the services and manufacturing sectors, in particular, labour intensive manufacturing sectors such as food processing, leather products, footwear and textiles and service sectors such as tourism and construction.

The Eleventh Plan thrust is on creating pool of skilled personnel in appropriate numbers with adequate skills in line with the requirements of the ultimate users such as the industry, trade and services sectors. It recognizes the need to increase the share of regular employees in total employment.