GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether no employment opportunity has been generated in the financial services, information technology, retail sector, auto industry, textile industry and real estate sector during 2009-10:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (c): Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour & Employment has been conducting quarterly quick employment surveys since October-December, 2008 to assess the affect of economic slowdown in India. As per latest quarterly quick employment survey conducted for the period October- December, 2009, it has been observed that the overall employment has improved by about 6.38 lakh during December, 2009 over September, 2009 due to substantial increase in employment by 5.70 lakh in the IT/ BPO sector. It has shown increase in employment in all the sectors studied except a marginal decline in the transport sector. Out of the total increase of 6.38 lakh jobs during this period, 5.80 lakh jobs (91 percent) have been added in the export units. In IT/BPO alone 4.87 lakh jobs have been added in export units during the period. Employment in export units of all other sectors covered (except transport sector of which no export unit is in sample) has also increased moderately or marginally during the period.

Three stimulus packages plus budget for 2009-10, as fourth stimulus package, have resulted in having a positive impact on employment situation in the country.

Besides, Government of India has been implementing various employment generation programmes such as Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana(SJSRY), Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana(SGSY), Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNREGS).