

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WELFARE OF CONSTRUCTION LABOURERS /WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of male and female workers/labourers engaged in construction sector/industry at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to formulate a comprehensive policy for the overall upliftment and welfare of such workers/labourers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of such workers/labourers who died at work place during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to improve the working conditions, safety, health/medical care, job security, social security of such workers/labourers and educational facilities for their wards in the country?

Answer

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

- (a): As per estimate of National Sample Survey (2004-2005), about 25.71 million building and other construction workers are estimated in India. State-wise and gender-wise details are not maintained. However, State-wise and gender-wise details of construction workers as given in the Census of India, 2001 is given in the statement annexed (annexure-I)
- (b), (c) & (e): A statement is annexed (Annexure-II).
- (d): Information is being collected.