

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:244

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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

- (a) the target fixed and the success achieved in creation of employment opportunities indicating the employment and unemployment growth rate during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period;
- (b) the details of the employment generated and provided in each sector including organized, unorganized and industrial sectors of the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise and sector-wise;
- (c) whether these employment opportunities generated have met the demands of such sectors;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the efforts made by the Government to generate additional employment opportunities in the country along with the funds allocated and released for the purpose during the said period, State-wise, sector-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO 244 BY DR. SHAFIQR RAHMAN BARQ AND SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH REGARDING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES DUE FOR REPLY ON 15.3.2010.

(a) to (d) Eleventh Five year Plan aims at creating 58 million additional job opportunities. Employment is projected to grow at an average rate of growth of 2.73 percent per annum and unemployment at an average growth rate of (-) 8.65 percent per annum. Data for assessment of employment and unemployment is based on quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organization. Last such survey was conducted in 2004-05. The next survey is currently in progress from July, 2009 and will be completed in June, 2010. Achievement of the Plan targets for employment and unemployment can be assessed after the results of the ongoing survey become available in 2011.

(e) Government has been constantly making efforts to increase additional employment opportunities through normal growth process and by implementing various employment generation programmes, such as, Swarana Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP); Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS).

The statements showing State-wise funds allocated and released for various employment generation schemes for the last three years 2006-07, 2007-08 2008-09 and the current year are given at Annex I to IV.