

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the number of women seeking jobs through employment exchanges is increasing in the country;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to open separate employment exchanges for women;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to provide jobs to women particularly registered with employment exchanges?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) Yes, Madam. Number of women job seekers registered with employment exchanges in the country has been on increase as their number and percentage share in total job seekers on live register of employment exchanges. Their number has increased from 99.33 lakh in 1999 to 123.28 in 2008 and percentage share in total number of job seekers has also increased from 24.6% in 1999 to 31.5% in 2008.

(b to d) Employment Exchanges function under the direct financial & administrative control of the respective State Governments and opening of any type of Employment Exchange is decided by them as per local needs and availability of resources. Government is also modernizing all Employment Exchanges and developing a national web portal with the facility of online registration which will be a initial job market and illuminate the need for setting up separate employment exchanges for women and any other category.

(e) Employment Exchanges are submitting women particulars of jobseekers to the employers against the vacancies notified to them as per norms prescribed in the manual of the National Employment Service.