

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

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UNEMPLOYED YOUTHS

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

- (a) whether the Union Government has conducted any survey to assess the number of unemployed persons/youths in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of educated and uneducated rural and urban persons including Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes egistered with the employment exchanges during each of the last three years and the current year, separately, State-wise;
- (c) the number of such persons/youths provided employment during the said period, State-wise, year- wise and category wise;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to create additional avenues/opportunities for employment in the country including Jammu & Kashmir during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period;
- (e) whether the number of registered unemployed persons are increasing despite creation of additional employment opportunities; and
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the steps taken by the Government to check this phenomenon?

Answer

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

- a) Yes, Madam. Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennnial Labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation and last such survey was conducted during 2004-05.
- b) Statements indicating State-wise number of educated and uneducated job seekers, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, and also rural and urban job seekers including Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward classes registered with employment exchanges as on 31.12.04, 31.12.05 and 31.12.2006 is given at Annex-I , II, III & IV respectively.
- c) Statement indicating State-wise details of employment provided to different categories of job seekers including youth through employment exchanges for the years 2004,2005 and 2006 are given at Annexures V and VI.
- d) Eleventh Five Year Plan aims at creating 58 million job opportunities in the country including Jammu & Kashmir. The additional employment opportunities in the future will be generated 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. Economic growth in different sectors is normally accompanied by growth in employment opportunities. Government of India has also been implementing various employment generation and poverty alleviation programmes. Some of the important ones are Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP); Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme.
- e) No, Madam. Annual rate of growth of placement effected through employment exchanges during the last five years from 2004 to 2008 was 18.13 per cent as compared to the negative annual rate of growth of 0.67 per cent in the number of job seekers registered with employment exchanges during the same period.
- f) Does not arise.