

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5362
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of hawkers in the country as on date and details regarding the method by which their number has been assessed;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to provide free Health Insurance Scheme to hawkers under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): As per census, 2001, there are 42.19 lakh street vendors (hawkers) in the country. The Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana has been extended to all the 42.19 lakh street vendors (hawkers).