

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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ID CARDS FOR BEEDI WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether about ten lakh beedi workers in the country are being deprived from various labour welfare schemes due to nonissuance of identity cards by the authorities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering any remedial measures in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A issuance of identity card, is a continuous process and the beedi workers who have been issued identity cards are being provided welfare facilities. There are about 55 lakhs estimated beedi workers out of which about 49.92 lakhs beedi workers have been issued identity cards.