

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the Government has constituted any Group of experts in view of creating employment in the country including Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has received the report of the said group of experts;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam. An Expert Group was constituted under the chairpersonship of Dr. C. Rangarajan, by PMO in August 2010 to formulate a Job plan for the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

(b) to (d) The report has just been submitted to PMO and State Government. The report has made recommendations to enhance employment opportunities by boosting identified sectors with large employment generation potential and by human resource development initiative focused on improving skill sets through improving access to education and focused placement oriented training in J&K and other States. The Expert Group has also suggested strategies for development of Agriculture & Animal Husbandry, Horticulture, Tourism, Handicraft, Medium Scale and Micro Enterprises and IT sector to boost employment opportunities in the State of Jammu & Kashmir.