

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

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EMPLOYMENT GENERATION  
Bais Shri Ramesh

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

- (a) whether any Expert Group has been constituted for employment generation in the country including Jammu and Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received the report of the said Group;and
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the follow up action?

**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.