

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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EXPERT GROUP ON EMPLOYMENT IN J K
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an Expert Group on Employment in Jammu and Kashmir headed by C. Rangarajan has submitted its report;
- (b) if so, the details of the recommendations made thereunder; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to implement the recommendation of the said expert group?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The Expert Group recommended three schemes to enhance employment opportunities in the State of J&K:
- i) Skill Empowerment and Employment Scheme for J&K (SEE J&K) – To provide placement linked, market driven skill training to 1,00, 000 youth in 5 years regardless of their educational qualification.
 - ii) Special Industry initiative for J&K(SII J&K) – To run special training programs to enhance employability for 8000 students per annum over 5 years period. It targets the youth who are educated but do not have marketable skills. It includes graduates, postgraduates and youth with professional degrees.
 - iii) Special Scholarship Scheme for J&K (SSS J&K) – To provide 5000 fresh scholarships every year over the next five years to encourage the youth of J&K to pursue higher studies outside the State of J&K.

Government has approved these schemes and necessary action has been taken for their implementation.