

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

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WELFARE OF TOBACCO GROWERS  
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has formulated or proposes to formulate any scheme for the welfare of tobacco workers in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

(a) to (c): The Government is implementing Modified Personal Accident Insurance Scheme for tobacco growers/workers. The details of the scheme are annexed. The Tobacco workers who are living below the poverty line are also covered under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) providing for smart card based cashless health insurance cover of Rs. 30000 per annum per family (a unit of five) in the unorganized sector.