GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PLANNING LOK SABHA

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PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the percentage of unemployment is higher in more qualified people in all categories;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and
- (c) the measures taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to uplift the Livelihood of persons who have no job and source of income?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, SCIENCE & TEHCNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (DR. ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a): The Report on Employment & Unemployment Survey, 2011-12 of Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour & Employment indicates that the percentage of unemployment is higher among more educated people, the details of which are given in Annexure-I.

(b)&(c) :The unemployment rate may be higher among comparatively more qualified people because of mismatch in demand and supply in the Labour Market or on account of lack of suitable skills despite formal qualification. Government of India has initiated Coordinated Action on Skill Development with a three-tier institutional structure viz., (i) the Prime Minister's National Council on Skill Development for laying down the broad policy objective relating to Skill Development, (ii) The National Skill Development Coordination Board under the Chairmanship of Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission to Coordinate the Skill Development initiatives undertaken by various Central Ministries and State Governments/Union Territories and (iii) the National Skill Development Corporation under the Ministry of Finance to catalyze the skill development initiatives of the Private Sector. The State Governments/Union Territories have set up State Skill Development Missions to give a focused approach for skill development efforts at the State level. Various skill development measures like upgradation of ITIs into Centres of Excellence, Skill Development Initiative (SDI) Scheme under Modular Employable Skills (MES) framework, etc. have been undertaken to improve both employability and income of persons in India. In addition, steps have been taken for creating necessary absorptive capacities in the system and streamlining the education system towards ensuring quality education.