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SHORTAGE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is an acute problem of unemployment, semi-unemployment at the national level due to shortage of employment opportunities in the Hindi speaking areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether violent incidents are constantly occurring against Hindi speaking unemployed youths migrating to other States in search of employment;
- (d) if so, the details thereof during the last five years;
- (e) whether any compensation has been given to the unemployed people who have become victims of such violence;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the measures initiated by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

(a) & (b) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Office. Last such survey was conducted during 2009-10. Based on the results of the survey, the unemployment rate in the country including Hindi speaking areas on usual status basis was 2.3 per cent. The details of Worker Population Ratio for all persons according to usual status approach during 2009-10 are annexed.

(c) to (f) Such information is not maintained centrally.

(g) Government of India has been making constant efforts through normal growth process and implementing various employment generation programmes, such as, Swarana Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP); Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) besides entrepreneurial development programmes run by the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises.