

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

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IMPACT OF SLOWDOWN ON EMPLOYMENT  
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the extent to which the slowing down of the economy has impacted on the employment in the organised and unorganised sectors of the country;
- (b) whether any study has been conducted or assessment has been made in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details of such assessment; and
- (d) the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH)

(a) to (c) Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour & Employment has been conducting a series of quarterly quick employment surveys since January, 2009 to study the impact of global economic slowdown on employment in Indian economy. These surveys are being conducted for selected sectors of the economy which are sensitive to the global economic factors. The survey is conducted in few important sectors of the economy viz. Textiles, Leather, Metals, Automobiles, Gems & Jewellery, Transport, IT/BPO and Mining. According to the results of the 15th such quarterly surveys conducted during October, 2008 to June, 2012, the overall employment has shown an increase of 27.38 lakh during the period October, 2008 to June, 2012.

(d) Generation of employment is a function of economic growth. Approach paper to the 12th Five Year Plan (2012-17) suggests focus on faster, sustainable and more inclusive growth for creating adequate livelihood opportunities. GDP growth of 9% has been proposed for the 12th Plan. Government is taking all necessary steps to enhance the employability and employment in the country. Measures have been taken to boost labour intensive manufacturing sectors, such as, food processing, leather products, footwear, textiles and services sector, such as, Tourism, Construction and also Information Technology Enabled Services. 12th Plan estimates that the manufacturing sector will have to create around 3 to 4 million jobs over and above the pace of job creation in the recent past.