

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

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UNEMPLOYED WOMEN
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the number of unemployed women in the country particularly in Chhattisgarh;
- (b) if so, the number of unemployed women registered in various employment exchanges in the country including Chhattisgarh during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the details of the employment provided to these women during the said period, year-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to create more employment opportunities particularly for women in the country?

Answer

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

- (a) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO). Last such survey was conducted during 2011-12 all India unemployment rate for female on usual status adjusted has increased slightly from 2.3 percent in 2009-10 to 2.4 percent in 2011-12 and for the state of Chhattisgarh has increased from 0.3 per cent in 2009-10 to 0.9 per cent in 2011-12.
- (b) As per latest information available with Directorate General of Employment and Training, Ministry of Labour and Employment, number of women jobseekers, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, registered with employment exchanges in the country has increased from 129.28 lakh in 2010 to 136.95 lakh women in 2011 and corresponding figure period for the state of Chhattisgarh has also increased from 3.52 lakh to 3.89 lakh women.
- (c) State-wise details of number of women jobseekers registered in various employment Exchanges in the country including Chhattisgarh and placement effected through them during the last three years are at Annex.
- (d) Government of India has been making continuous efforts through normal growth process and by implementing various employment generation schemes to create additional job opportunities both for men and women in the country. Some of the important ones are, Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rojgar Yojana, National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act and Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme in addition to various entrepreneurial development programmes run by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium enterprises.