GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1116 ANSWERED ON:02.03.2015 BEEDI WORKERS Kumar Shri P.

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

- (a) the number and details of workers involved in beedi industry at present, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of schemes being run by the Government for the welfare of beedi workers in the country;
- (c) the details of fund allocations made and the expenditure incurred under these schemes during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (d) whether the living standards of these workers are below par inspite of these schemes;
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (f) the other steps taken by the Government to improve the living standards/conditions of such workers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

- (a): State-wise details of the number of beedi workers in beedi industry is at ANNEXURE-I.
- (b): The details of schemes run by Government for the welfare of the beedi workers in the country is at ANNEXURE-II.
- (c): The detail of allocation made and expenditure incurred during the last three years and current year under Beedi Worker Welfare Fund is at ANNEXURE-III.
- (d) & (e): No, Madam.
- (f): Ministry of Finance administers Swavalamban Pension Scheme and Aam Admi Bima Yojana for welfare of the workers in the unorganized sector and these are available to Beedi Workers also.