GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) the details of unemployed persons including the number of educated and uneducated unemployed youths registered with the Employment Exchanges in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of schemes formulated to create additional job opportunities for educated and uneducated youths in the country along with the targets set/achieved during the 11th and 12th Five Year Plans;
- (c) whether the educated youths of the country are compelled to work in low paid jobs as compared to their skill capacity and if so, the reasons therefor and the plans of the Government to absorb them in the organised workforce of the country;
- (d) whether a large number of youths also remain unemployed in non-farm sector due to lack of skill and training, and
- (e) the concrete measures taken/being taken by the Government to create more job opportunities across various sectors of the economy including the measures to provide vocational training to educated and unedu- cated unemployed youths to enhance their skill?

Answer

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

- (a): As per information available from the states, total number of both educated and uneducated job- seekers, all of whom may not necessarily be unemp- loyed, registered with employment exchanges in the country as on 31st December, 2012 was around 4.48 crore, of which 2.86 crore was youth job seekers in the age group of 15-29 years. State-wise details for the last three years are at Annex.
- (b) to (e): During Twelfth Five Year Plan 5 crore non-farm employment opportunities are proposed to be created with focus on more productive and quality (organized and self-employed) employment in the manufacturing and services sector. To address the unemployment issues including that of educated youth, the Government runs various public employment genera- tion schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Emplo- yment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) restructured into National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) since September, 2013, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), and Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP). In addition, the government is promoting labour-intensive manufacturing and increasing emplo- yment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro- based industries. Government has created a separate Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship for making broad policies for all other Ministries/Depar- tments with regard to market requirements and skill development and co-ordination with all concerned for evolving an appropriate skill development framework, removal of disconnect between the demand for and supply of skilled man power through vocational and technical training, skill up-gradation & building of new skills. Government of India has set target of skilling 5 crore persons in the 12th Plan. Ministry of Labour and Emplo-yment is also imparting vocational training under Craf- tsmen Training Scheme (CTS), Apprenticeship Training Scheme (ATS) and skill development through modular courses under Skill Development Initiative Schemes. For enhancing employability of youth it has also been decided to use at least 10% of Special Central Assis- tance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA-TSP), Special Central Assistance to Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan (SCA-SCP), Multi-sectoral Development Programme funds and 5% of Border Area Development Programme funds for skill development.