

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

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

- (a) whether unemployment rate is on the rise as a result of drop in employment opportunities and if so, the details thereof along with annual employment growth rate recorded during the last two Five Year Plan periods, plan-wise and State/ UT-wise;
- (b) the employment opportunities generated by big business houses, corporate sector, Government and Non-Government sector during the last three years and the current year, year-wise;
- (c) the details of the targets set and achieved with regard to creation of employment opportunities during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received any request for providing additional assistance for implementation of various employment schemes; and
- (e) the various measures taken by the Government to generate more employment opportunities in the country especially for the reserved category and also to check unemployment growth?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 368 DUE FOR REPLY ON 20.04.2015 BY JITENDRA CHAUDHURY AND SHRI B.V. NAIK, M.Ps. REGARDING "EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES"

(a): Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment trends are obtained through labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey (NSS) Office, Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation. According to the last 3 surveys, the workforce grew from 45.91 crore in 2004-05 to 46.55 crore persons in 2009-10 and to 47.41 crore persons in 2011-12 and the sector-wise employment is given below:-

(in crore persons)

Workforce by Major Sector	2004-05	2009-10	2011-12
Agriculture & Allied	26.83	24.74	23.18
Industry	8.35	10.00	11.50
Services	10.73	11.81	12.73
Total Workforce	45.91	46.55	47.41
Total Unemployed	1.08	0.95	1.06

The estimates of workforce by major sectors show an increase in the overall level of employment with an increase in the industry and services sector. The unemployment levels marginally increased from 0.95 crore during 2009-10 to 1.06 crore in 2011-12. State/UT-wise Worker Population Ratio for all persons according to usual status (ps+ss) is at Annex-I.

Further, to assess the effect of economic slowdown on employment in India in selected labour-intensive and export-oriented sectors namely textiles including apparels, metals, gems & jewellery, automobiles, transport, IT/BPO, leather and handloom/power loom, Labour Bureau under Ministry of Labour & Employment is also conducting Quick Quarterly Surveys on employment and unemployment in selected labour intensive and export oriented sectors. Twenty three such surveys have been conducted by Labour Bureau so far. According to the survey results, overall estimated employment in all selected sectors has experienced a net addition of 36.29 lakh jobs starting from the first survey (October, 2008 to December, 2008) till the 23rd Survey (July, 2014 to September, 2014).

(b): Ministry of Corporate Affairs has informed that the year-wise employment data in big business houses and corporate sector are not maintained centrally. The Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation conducts an Annual Survey of Industries for organised manufacturing and the employment in these industries as per latest three surveys are as follows:

Year Number of Number of  
Factories Workers

2009-10	158877	9157802
2010-11	211660	9901970
2011-12	217554	10438365
2012-13	222120	10049588

(provisional)

(c): The 12th Five Year Plan projects 5 crore new work opportunities to be generated in the non-farm sector and provide skill certification to equivalent numbers. The National Manufacturing Policy of the Government targets to create 10 crore jobs by the year 2022. The details of the achievements with regard to creation of employment opportunities for Government run schemes are at Annex-II to V.

(d) & (e): Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development and National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation.

New schemes have also been launched which includes Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, Swatchh Bharat Mission (Gramin) and Seekho aur Kamao scheme was launched for the skill development of minority communities.

Government has also decided to strategically promote labour-intensive manufacturing and expand employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries.

For skilling to provide employment, a new Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has been established to coordinate the skill activities across Ministries. In order to improve the employability of youth, around 20 Ministries run skill development schemes across 70 sectors. According to the data compiled by National Skill Development Agency (NSDA), about 76.37 lakh persons were given skill development training in the year 2013-14 under these schemes. Ministry of Labour & Employment is also contributing in this direction by enhancing the number of ITI s to 11,964 (Govt. 2284 & Pvt. 9680) which impart Vocational Courses certified by National Council for Vocational Training. It has also revamped apprenticeship training scheme.

Providing of jobs for reserved category in various public sector undertakings, Government and Non-Government sector is a continuous process. Vacancies are filled up on an ongoing basis as per requirements of various departments/ public sector undertakings keeping in view the reservation policy of the Government.