

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Schemes to Address Unemployment
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the flagship programmes of the Government which have been implemented in the last four years to reduce unemployment and to create more employment opportunities in different sectors across the country;
- (b) the details of the funds allocated and spent during the said period;
- (c) the details of the benefits being reaped by the different States during the said period;
- (d) whether there is any monitoring cell at the Government level to ensure the programmes are implemented keeping in view the time-frame set for them; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the details therefor ?

Answer

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

(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. Sector-wise employment is given below:

in crores)

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

As per these results, the estimated workforce has grown and estimated unemployed has marginally increased from 0.95 crore to 1.06 crore persons.

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.

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

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.

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 51.50 lakh persons were given skill development training in the year 2014-15 under these schemes.

(b) & (c): The details of the funds allocated and beneficiaries for the various schemes are at Annex-I to V.

(d) & (e): Different flagship employment generation programmes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme and National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) are monitored by concerned Ministries to ensure their proper implementation.
