

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:296

ANSWERED ON:28.07.2014

EMPLOYMENT TO WOMEN

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

- (a) the number of registered unemployed women in various Employment Exchanges of the country;
- (b) the number of women provided with employment along with the details of the employment provided by the Employment Exchanges during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the process of providing employment to women through the Employment Exchanges has been satisfactory and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Employment Exchanges have also identified certain sectors for employing women; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the other steps taken to generate employment opportunities, particularly for women in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(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. 296 BY DR. BHOLA SINGH AND SHRI DEVAJIBHAI G. FATEPARA REGARDING EMPLOYMENT TO WOMEN DUE FOR REPLY ON 28.7.2014.

(a) & (b) As per information received from the states, number of women job seekers on the live register of Employment Exchanges, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed and number placed during 2011, 2012 and 2013 in the country is given below:

Year	Number of women job seekers (in lakh)	Placement (in lakh)
2011	136.95	0.86
2012	156.46	0.68
2013	164.59	0.59

(c) to (e) Employment exchanges make submissions of eligible candidates belonging to both men & women against the vacancies notified by employers. There has been an increase in number of women job seekers in Employment Exchanges. However, the placements have been low. The 12th Five Year Plan projects 5 crore new work opportunities to be generated in the non-farm sector and skill certification to equivalent numbers. The government is promoting labour-intensive manufacturing and increasing employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries. The Plan also focuses on sectors like health, education, sanitation etc. where employment opportunities created in these sectors are likely to be availed by women. Ministry of Labour & Employment is imparting skill training among women under Craftsman Training Schemes, Apprenticeship Training and Modular Employable Schemes under Skill Development Initiative to increase employability of women. To improve exchange of employment related information in the labour market, the Government has also decided to convert the Employment Exchanges into Career Centres in collaboration with the State Governments for providing counseling services to the students and job-seekers along with other employment related assistance.