

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the number of educated and uneducated, rural and urban youths belonging to SCs/ STs, OBCs and minority registered with the employment exchanges during each of the last three years and the current year, State, category and gender-wise;
- (b) the total number of persons provided with employment during the said period, State, category and gender-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to create additional job opportunities for these under-privileged categories during the current plan period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL, MINES AND LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a) As per information received from States, State-wise number of youth job-seekers in the age group of 15-29 registered with employment exchanges as on 31st December 2009, 2010 and 2011 in the country is given at Annex-I. Information relating to youth job-seekers belonging to SCs/STs, OBCs and minority is not centrally maintained.
- (b) State-wise men and women job-seekers provided employment through employment exchanges in the country during 2011, 2012 and 2013 is at Annex-II.
- (c) Government of India has been making constant efforts through normal growth process and implementing various public employment generation schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) transformed into National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), and Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) to create additional employment opportunities. In addition, the government is promoting labour-intensive manufacturing and increasing employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries. 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.