GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the growth rate and employment generation has stagnated in recent years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether there is a need to bring reforms in labour market to accelerate India's growth rate and boost employment; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a & b) The estimates of Gross Domestic Product and employment are released by the Central Statistical Office (CSO) and National Sample Survey (NSS) Office respectively of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. As per the NSS Survey results for the year 2009-10 and 2011-12, employment increased from 46.5 crore to 47.4 crore registering an annual growth rate of 0.5% and Gross Domestic Product grew by 7.8 per cent during the same period.

(c&d) Government has been making constant efforts through normal growth process and employment generation schemes for boosting employment. 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.