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 annual growth rate of employment generation is negative in several States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the lack of infrastructure and absence of industrial development in these States has led to rapid increase in unemployment and also migration of people to other States; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a to c) As per results of two most recent surveys on employment and unemployment conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation conducted during 2009-10 and 2011-12, estimated employment as per usual status has increased from 46.5 crore in 2009-10 to 47.4 crore in 2011-12 in the country, registering an annual growth rate of 0.92 percent. State-wise details of employment rates and unemployment rates as per usual status during 2009-10 and 2011-12 is at Annex.

(d) To address the unemployment issues, the Government runs various public employment generation schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), and Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP). 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. National Skill Development Agency has been set up to coordinate action among Central Ministries in this context and around 75 lakh persons have been skilled in 2013-14.