GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1796 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, THE 13TH FEBRUARY, 2019

EMPLOYMENT SURVEYS

1796. SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) has any proposal to carry out quarterly and annual employment surveys;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the extent to which this proposal is likely to eradicate unemployment in the country; and
- (c) the time by which the above proposal is likely to be implemented and the steps taken by the Government to implement the recommendations of Shri Amitabh Kundu Committee in letter and spirit?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS [SHRI VIJAY GOEL]

(a) to (c): Considering the importance of availability of labour force data at more frequent time intervals, on the recommendation of the National Statistical Commission (NSC), the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoS&PI) constituted a Committee under the Chairpersonship of Prof. Amitabh Kundu, the then Member, NSC to develop the survey methodology including the sample design for generating monthly/quarterly labour market data.

Subsequently, a Standing Committee on Labour Force Statistics (SCLFS) was constituted by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) on 12th November 2014 under the Chairmanship of Prof. S. P. Mukherjee, Emeritus Professor, University of Calcutta. The SCLFS made recommendations with respect to the structure of the Schedule of Enquiry, Sampling Design, etc., which were adopted for Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS).

NSSO started PLFS in April, 2017, which is regular and continuing survey designed to yield annual estimates on labour force on employment and unemployment along with quarterly estimates for the urban areas, which can be used for policy making.
