

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1373
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25TH NOVEMBER, 2019

EMPLOYEES IN RURAL AREAS

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

- (a) whether the Government has the data of the employees in rural areas working in the public and private companies across the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu;**
- (b) whether it is very low and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;**
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase their capacity in the public and private companies across the country;**
- (d) whether the Government is planning to start a campaign in this regard within the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Tamil Nadu; and**
- (e) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b) As per the results of Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Sample Survey Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation during 2017-18, the Percentage distribution of usually working (ps+ss) persons in public/private companies across the country in rural area is 5.3% and 11.5% in Tamil Nadu. The State/UT-wise distribution is placed at Annexure.

(c) to (e) Employment generation coupled with improving employability of the youth is the priority concern of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) has been initiated by Government inter alia, for facilitating self-employment. Under PMMY collateral free loans upto Rs. 10 lakh, are extended to micro/small business enterprises and to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities. Upto 1st November 2019, 20.83 crore loans were sanctioned under the scheme.

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) is the flagship scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE). The objective of this Skill Certification Scheme is to enable a large number of Indian youth to take up industry-relevant skill training that will help them in securing a better livelihood.

ASPIRE (A scheme for promotion of Innovation, Rural Industry and Entrepreneurship) was launched to set up a network of technology centres and to set up incubation centres to accelerate entrepreneurship in agro-industry. The individuals trained under the ASPIRE scheme of Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (M/oMSME) can become agri-entrepreneurs/entrepreneurs and can seek financial support under different schemes of the Govt. including Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) under which loans are provided by banks and subsidy to the extent of 15-35% is given by the Govt. of India. Individuals can also seek employment in the related industry or can seek further higher skills/training.

Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) was launched with the objective to incentivise employers for creation of employment. Under the scheme, Government of India is paying Employer's full contribution i.e. 12% towards EPF and EPS both (as admissible from time to time) for a period of three years to the new employees through EPFO. The beneficiaries registered upto 31st March, 2019 will receive the benefit for 3 years from the date of registration under the scheme.

Besides these initiatives, flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Digital India, Swachh Bharat Mission, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Housing for All, Infrastructure development and Industrial corridors have the potential to generate productive employment opportunities. Ministries/ Departments/ States run skill development schemes across various sectors to improve the employability of youth and also facilitate placements. Schemes such as the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) wherein Government reimburses 25 percent of the stipend payable to apprentices also enhances employability of the youth to access employment.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1373 FOR 25-11-2019 REGARDING EMPLOYEES IN RURAL AREAS.

Percentage distribution of usually working (ps+ss) persons engaged in the Public and Private limited Company in rural area

Sl. No.	State/UTs	Rural(person)
1	Andhra Pradesh	4.9
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.4
3	Assam	6.9
4	Bihar	1.4
5	Chhattisgarh	4.5
6	Delhi	19.5
7	Goa	24.8
8	Gujarat	13.9
9	Haryana	9.9
10	Himachal Pradesh	5.6
11	Jammu & Kashmir	1.7
12	Jharkhand	6.3
13	Karnataka	8.2
14	Kerala	5.9
15	Madhya Pradesh	4.2
16	Maharashtra	10.2
17	Manipur	1.7
18	Meghalaya	2.5
19	Mizoram	2.1
20	Nagaland	1.3
21	Orissa	3.3
22	Punjab	5.5
23	Rajasthan	3.1
24	Sikkim	4.9
25	Tamil Nadu	11.5
26	Telangana	3.7
27	Tripura	2.6
28	Uttarakhand	9.5
29	Uttar Pradesh	2.6
30	West Bengal	2.4
31	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0.6
32	Chandigarh	14.3
33	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	64.0
34	Daman & Diu	36.6
35	Lakshadweep	0.0
36	Puducherry	14.8
	All-India	5.3

Source: Annual report, Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), 2017-18, M/o Statistics & Programme Implementation.