

maximum period of three years. An associated objective is the prevention of entry of children into work through awareness measures.

The process of monitoring the situation of mainstreaming commenced in 1998. According to the latest available information, about 1.40 lakh children have already been mainstreamed into the formal school system.

Unemployed Persons in Assam

2438. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the unemployed persons registered with the various employment exchanges in Assam as on the 30th April, 2002, employment exchange-wise;

(b) whether Government have any plans to solve the increasing unemployment problem day by day in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) Details of the number of job-seekers, all of whom are not necessarily unemployed, on the live register of employment exchanges in the State of Assam as on 30th April, 2002 are given in the enclosed Statement, (*See below*).

(b) and (c) The Tenth Plan will focus on providing gainful high quality employment to the additions to the labour force and it will be one of the monitorable objectives for the 10th Plan and beyond. The growth strategy of the 10th Plan would lay emphasis on the rapid growth of those sectors which are likely to create high quality employment opportunities and deal with the policy constraints which discouraged growth of employment. Particular attention would be paid to the policy environment influencing a wide range of economic activities which have a large employment potential.

Statement

No. of job-seekers on the Live Registers of employment exchanges in Assam as on 30.4.02

S. No.	Location of Employment Exchanges	No. of job-seekers (in thousands)
1	2	3
1	Barpeta	69.5
2	Bongaingaon	42.3
3	Dhemaji	24.1
4	Dhubri	32.4
5	Diphu	13.3
6	Dibrugarh	42.3
7	Dibrugarh (PL)	15.9
8	Digboi	10.0
9	Doom-Dooma	10.3
10	Gawahati (DEE)	133.1
11	Gawahati (P&E)	4.3
12	Gawahati (PH)*	—
13	Gawahati (unskilled)	95.1
14	Goalpara	23.8
15	Golaghat	52.9
16	Haflong	9.4
17	Haihandi	13.8
18	Hamren	2.6
19	Jarhat	78.1
20	Karimganj	19.0
21	Kakrajhar	12.9
22	Mangaldai	32.1
23	Marigaon	27.4
24	Nalbari	83.0
25	Namrup	17.3

1	2	3
26	Nazira	32.1
27	N-Lakhimpur	62.2
28	Nagaon	80.3
29	Sibsagar	106.0
30	Silchar	43.9
31	Tinsubia	19.3
32	Tezpur	50.8
33	Chariali Biswanath	35.3
34	Garsaigaon	4.2
35	Hojai	21.0
36	Hatsinghari	12.7
37	Jonai	3.5
38	Majuli	9.2
39	Rangia	36.8
40	Chapakhowa	
	Sudiya	3.8
41	Sonari	9.5
42	Udalguri	18.4
43	Garam Pani	1.0
44	Bokajan	3.1
45	Jagiroad	13.3
46	Moranhat	13.1
47	Patherkandi	6.8
48	Duliajan	18.0
49	Kaliabor	5.8
50	Barpather	6.4
51	Dibrugarh (UEB)	1.6
52	Guwahati (UEB)	4.1
53	Jarhat	1.8
TOTAL:		1489.0