

(a) whether Government is aware of number of organisations/persons giving advertisements in various dailies for supply of house maids; and

(b) if so, the details of those organizations/persons operating in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Survey on huge job loss

2816. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA :

PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:

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

(a) whether Government is aware that more than 6 lakh people employed in various fields/sectors have lost their jobs in the country during the past six months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has conducted any survey in this regard to know the exact factors responsible for such a huge job loss; and

(d) if so, the remedial measures contemplated by Government to face such job loss challenges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) to (c) With a view to assess the impact of economic slowdown on employment in the industries/sectors supposed to be badly affected by the slowdown during the quarter October-December, 2008, Ministry of Labour & Employment carried out a survey in 2581 units spread over 11 States/UTs in important sectors, viz. Mining, Textiles, Metals, Gems & Jewellery, Automobile, Transport and IT/BPO. These sectors contributed more than 60% to GDP in the year 2007-08. The survey has revealed that about half a million workers lost their jobs during October-December, 2008. The major impact of the slowdown is noticed in the export oriented units.

In the second quarterly survey to assess the impact of economic slowdown on employment during January-March, 2009 additional sectors of leather and handloom-power loom were also covered. Total estimated employment in the sectors covered has increased by 0.6% during January-March, 2009 period. Non-export units have shown higher rate (0.92%) of increase in employment as compared to export units (0.28%). As compared to October-December, 2008 quarter wherein about half a million workers lost their jobs, the employment in selected sectors has increased by a quarter million during January-March, 2009. During April, 2008-March, 2009 period, employment in the sectors covered has increased by 0.15 per cent, resulting in an addition of 0.28 million jobs.

Department of Commerce, Government of India has also been undertaking sample surveys relating to reduction in exports and resultant job losses in export-related industries. In the sample survey on job losses for export-related industries for August, 2008 to 16 January 2009, out of 402

units surveyed, the loss in export order was around Rs. 6272 crores and loss of 1,09,513 jobs. Ministry of Commerce has also conducted another updated sample survey related to job losses (direct and indirect) for export related industries from August, 2008 to April, 2009 according to which in different export-oriented units, 1,34,593 jobs have been lost.

(d) Government is concerned about the impact of global financial crisis on the Indian economy and several measures—financial and fiscal have been initiated to instill confidence in the economy, spur growth and overcome crisis. Some of the important steps relate to RBI measures to enhance liquidity in the market and three economic packages by the Government of India, mainly comprising of additional spending, interest subvention and excise duty cuts.

Manpower in the country

†2817. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

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

(a) whether Government has estimated the manpower available in the country in the end of the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the total number thereof and out of these the estimated number of those who would be unemployed;

(c) whether the number of unemployed people has been estimated in the beginning of the Eleventh Five Year Plan; and

(d) the number of people who would be provided employment during this Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Eleventh Five Year Plan (based on current daily status) has estimated labour force of 483.7 million in the country at the end of the Plan and the number of unemployed people in the beginning and at the end of the plan has been estimated at 36.71 million and 23.35 million, respectively. The Plan aims at creating 58 million job opportunities during the plan period.

New employment opportunity to 30 million

†2818. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that on the basis of a study conducted regarding skill development and training, opportunity of 30 million new employment can be generated at 8 per cent annual growth rate in the country in five years;

(b) if so; the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) whether it is also a fact that around 640 million new people would be there in the manpower of the country during Eleventh Five Year Plan; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.