

National policy on Skill Development

1446. SHRI D. RAJA:

SHRI R.C. SINGH:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had announced a National Policy on Skill Development for equipping the workers in organized and unorganized sectors to adapt to the changing technologies and labour market demands; and

(b) if so, the salient features of the policy and to what extent they have been implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT) : (a) and (b) Union Cabinet approved "National Policy on Skill Development" on 23rd February, 2009. The policy is a guiding document for implementation of various skill development programmes in the country.

The National Skill Development Policy seeks to :

- increase capacity and capability of the existing system to ensure equitable access to all,
- promote lifelong learning, maintain quality and relevance according to the changing requirements,
- create effective convergence between school education, various skill development efforts of Government and between Government and private sector,
- enhance capacity of institutions for planning, quality assurance and involvement of stakeholders,
- create institutional mechanisms for research development, quality assurance, etc. and
- finally to increase participation of all stakeholders to mobilise adequate financial, physical and intellectual resources.

Modernization of Employment Exchanges

1447. SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:

SHRI R.C. SINGH:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that the role of Employment Exchanges in imparting timely and reliable labour market information and providing jobs to job seekers has been dismal and their success rate in getting employment is less than 10 per cent;

(b) if so, the details of the Employment Exchanges, State-wise in the country, number of jobs in different categories notified and placement made during the last three years;