

National Employment Policy

2678. SHRI BHARATKUMAR RAUT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is in the process of formulating a National Employment Policy to mainstream the job creation at large in the country;
- (b) whether this policy is the second part of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA);
- (c) the salient features of proposed Policy; and
- (d) by when the National Employment Policy is likely to be introduced in the Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) Yes, Sir. The draft National Employment Policy is under preparation.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The draft National Employment Policy proposes to accelerate employment growth, particularly in the organized sector and improve the quality of jobs in terms of productivity, average earnings and social security of workers, specially in the unorganized sector. Under the Policy, macroeconomic policy issues, sectoral policy issues, labour market policies, micro and small enterprises' issues, skill development issues, issues relating to women and other vulnerable workers are being considered.

(d) Draft National Employment Policy is under preparation and will observe the procedure as laid down for approval.

Upgradation of ESI hospital at Margao, Goa

2679. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to expand/upgrade the ESI hospital situated at Margao, Goa;
- (b) if so, cost of the proposed expansion/upgradation;
- (c) what are the various components of expansion/upgradation;
- (d) whether any land has been acquired for the purpose; and