

(b) The contribution of IT sector of 0.2 percent of the total work force of 459 million may not be viewed as very little contribution.

(c) Eleventh Five Year Plan has projected the annual growth rate of employment of 5.4 and fixing GDP growth rate of 10-11 percent in the secondary sector so as to enable the economy to generate sufficient employment opportunities to absorb work force being pushed out from agriculture sector. In this way, additional employment opportunities of 23.88 million (41% of the total employment) would be created secondary sector as against the overall target of 58 million job opportunities during the plan period.

Non-technical educated unemployed

3126. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has made any survey about the non-technical educated unemployed persons available in the country which are mostly matric, non-matric, IA, BA, MA (Arts) and total unskilled workers;

(b) whether in view of modern technology they may not be useful for any job; and

(c) if so, what is the strategy of Government to address the issue of their employment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) No specific survey has been conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) about the non technical educated unemployed persons available in the country. However, based on Employment Exchange statistics, the faculty-wise number of educated job seekers (10th standard and above) in the country as on 31-12-2007 is given below:

Educational Level (in lakh)	Number of job seekers
10th class passed	149.0
10+2 passed	87.5
Graduates and Post Graduates (Arts)	28.4

(b) and (c) In the Eleventh Five Year Plan, a Comprehensive Skill Development Programme with wide coverage throughout the country has been initiated by the Government. The coordinated Action Plan for Skill Development has a target of 500 million skilled persons by the year 2022, and the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has been mandated to train about 150 million persons by 2022 under National Skill Development Policy which is now in place. Ministry of Labour and Employment has taken up several initiatives for skill upgradation of youth to enhance their employability leading to better access to employment and livelihood opportunities. Some of the major programmes for skill development are as follows:

- (i) Craftsmen Training Scheme
- (ii) Apprenticeship Training Scheme
- (iii) Skill Development Initiative through Modular Employable Skills

Coordinating department for employment and unemployed

3127. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) which is the real coordinating department of employment and unemployed;
- (b) as every department requires the clearance of Finance Department, whether Labour Department is authorised to control, co-ordinate and monitor the employment of all Government Departments; and
- (c) if not, then which department has been assigned this responsibility?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) As per Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961 amended from time to time, the Ministry of Labour and Employment has been entrusted with the responsibility of employment and unemployment except rural employment and unemployment besides others.

(b) and (c) All Departments are responsible for the business allocated to them as per Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961.

Unemployed allowance to unemployed youths

3128. SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether unemployment is increasing in country day by day; if so, the details of the unemployed youths, State-wise;
- (b) what is the percentage of educated or uneducated unemployed youths in country and the details thereof;
- (c) what is the percentage of employed skilled and unskilled youths in country;
- (d) whether it is a fact that there is resentment among the unemployed youths; if so, what steps Government is taking to solve this problem; and
- (e) whether Government is considering the policy to provide unemployment allowance to the unemployed youth; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) to (c) Number of youth job-seekers in the age group of 15-29, all of whom may not be necessarily be unemployed, registered with employment exchanges has come down to 27.91 million in 2007 from 29.51 million in 2003. The number of youth job-seekers for the last five years is as under :