

(a) whether it is a fact that India tops list of best countries for new jobs in 2011, as per survey conducted by Forbes amongst 64,000 human resources directors and senior hiring managers from public and private companies worldwide;

(b) whether India has gone ahead of China to take first place in the Forbes list with a whopping 42 per cent in hiring outlook for the first quarter of 2011; and

(c) India's ranking amongst other countries as per survey mentioned above?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) to (c) As per results of survey published in Forbes, India has taken lead over China to take first place with a 42 per cent net hiring outlook for the first quarter of 2011. China follows close behind at 40 per cent and Taiwan comes in third place with a net employment outlook of 37 per cent.

Unemployed youths registered in employment exchanges

289. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise and year-wise number of educated, uneducated, skilled, unskilled youths registered with the Employment Exchanges in the country during the last three years; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government to reduce unemployment in the country?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) State-wise details of number of educated, uneducated, skilled, unskilled youth job seekers combined together in the age group of 15-29, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, registered with the Employment Exchanges in the country for the years 2006, 2007 & 2008 are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(b) Government have taken several steps to reduce unemployment in the country. The focus is on creation of productive employment at a faster pace in order to raise incomes of masses to bring about a general improvement in their living conditions. The job opportunities are created on account of growth in Gross Domestic Product (GDP), investment in infrastructure development, growth in exports etc. Government of India has also been implementing various employment generation programmes, such as, Swarana Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP); Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana

(SGSY) and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) besides entrepreneurial development programmes run by the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises.

Statement

State-wise number of youth job seekers in the age group of 15-29 registered with employment exchanges as on 31st December 2006, 2007 & 2008.

(in thousand)

S.No.	State/Union Territory	31.12.2006	31.12.2007	31.12.2008
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1772.1	1585.1	1473.3
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	22.8	25.4	28.4
3.	Assam	1409.5	1477.7	1480.3
4.	Bihar	1232.5	944.2	591.7
5.	Chhattisgarh	815.3	856.2	970.4
6.	Delhi	382.1	362.8	391.6
7.	Goa	84.8	84.1	82.6
8.	Gujarat	607.5	602.7	607
9.	Haryana	776.8	696.6	618.8
10.	Himachal Pradesh	532.6	525.0	514.2
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	70.9	69.0	55.4
12.	Jharkhand	904.6	807.6	671.4
13.	Karnataka	758.1	628.7	453.6
14.	Kerala	2594.9	2786.9	2892.6
15.	Madhya Pradesh	1489.5	1368.7	1415
16.	Maharashtra	2801.2	2546.3	2338.3
17.	Manipur	434.9	435.2	391.7

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18.	Meghalaya	26.1	22.9	20.9
19.	Mizoram	22.5	42.7	47.6
20.	Nagaland	37.6	37.4	38.6
21.	Orissa	647.1	577.4	594.7
22.	Punjab	308.7	313.8	283.7
23.	Rajasthan	593.9	659.0	632
24.	Sikkim *			
25.	Tamil Nadu	2790.0	3270.2	3593.3
26.	Tripura	332.7	333.4	339.1
27.	Uttarakhand	346.4	339.9	359.1
28.	Uttar Pradesh	2133.6	2309.6	2168.3
29.	West Bengal	4927.9	3985.6	3689.7
30.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	30.0	28.0	28.4
31.	Chandigarh	37.0	32.8	30.5
32.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	4.9	4.5	5.5
33.	Daman & Diu	5.7	7.6	7.6
34.	Lakshadweep	8.8	7.8	10.1
35.	Puducherry	137.3	135.3	139.9
	All India	29080.3	27910.1	26965.3

Note: *No Employment Exchange is functioning in this State.

Total may not tally due to rounding off.

Persons died during construction of CWG 2010

290. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of persons died during the construction of various projects or stadiums for Commonwealth Games, 2010;