

Rate of employment generation

2437. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise extent to which the rate of employment generation and unemployment increased during the last three years;
- (b) whether Government has taken any steps to contain the increase in the rate of unemployment;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the State-wise total job loss during the last three years; and
- (e) the sector-wise and city-wise total job generated in cities?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Office. Last such survey was conducted during 2009-10. As per the two most recent surveys, employment estimated on current daily status basis has decelerated from an annual rate of growth of 2.62 per cent during 1999-2000-2004-05 to 1.02 percent in 2009-10. Unemployment rate on current daily status basis has reduced from 8.28% in 2004-05 to 6.60% in 2009-10.

(b) and (c) Government of India has been making constant efforts through normal growth process and by implementing various employment generation schemes to check unemployment in the country. Some of the important schemes are 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 Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

(d) According to quarterly surveys conducted by Labour Bureau, an organization under the Ministry of Labour and Employment, over all employment has shown an increase of over 20.58 lakhs during the period of October, 2008 to June, 2011. The employment declined only in two quarters of surveys so far i.e. October, 2008 to December, 2008 and April, 2009 to June, 2009. The state wise data is not available.

(e) Sector-wise total employment on usual status basis is as under:

Sectors	Total employment (in million)	
	2004-05	2009-10
Agriculture	268.30	247.39
Industry	83.47	99.98
Services	107.32	118.12
TOTAL:	459.10	465.48

City-wise data is not maintained.