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| 10. | Madhya Pradesh | 7116 | 8323 |
| 11. | Maharashtra | 4954 | 5614 |
| 12. | Odisha | 10309 | 6114 |
| 13. | Punjab | 0 | 957 |
| 14. | Rajasthan | 4155 | 3585 |
| 15. | Tamil Nadu | 3671 | 3436 |
| 16. | Uttar Pradesh | 10616 | 7310 |
| 17. | West Bengal | 3117 | 6254 |
| | TOTAL | 72976 | 64050 |

** Including Telangana.

Employment exchanges in Bihar

2235. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Employment exchanges in Bihar;
- (b) the district-wise number of persons registered with each Employment Exchange as on date;
- (c) the year-wise details of employment provided to the people during the last two years; and
- (d) the steps being taken to improve the performance of Employment Exchanges in Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI VISHNUDEO SAI): (a) to (c) As per information received from State of Bihar, the number of persons registered on the live register maintained in the 37 Employment Exchanges in the state of Bihar were 8.54 lakh and 8.04 lakh during 2012 and 2013 respectively. Of these, 2140 and 2169 persons were provided employment during the same period. District-wise information of job seekers is not centrally maintained.

(d) To improve exchange of employment related information in the labour market, the Government has also decided to convert the Employment Exchanges into Career Centres in collaboration with the State Governments for providing counseling services to the students and job-seekers along with other employment related assistance. Schemes of job fair and skill development are being organized in the State of Bihar also to enhance the employ-ability of the job seekers.

Unemployed youth in Maharashtra

2236. SHRI VIJAY JAWAHARLAL DARDA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken note of high incidence of unemployment amongst youth in the country particularly in the tribal areas and backward regions of the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the State/UT-wise, number of jobs/employment provided to the unemployed youth in the country in the different sectors through employment exchanges and otherwise, during the last three years; and

(c) what special incentives have been provided to the youths of Maharashtra particularly from the region of Vidarbha and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) As per the results of the most recent labour force survey on employment and unemployment conducted during 2011-12 by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, unemployment rate on usual status among the youth in the age group of 15-29 year was estimated at 6.1 per cent in the country.

(b) State-wise details of number of job-seekers including youth provided employment through Employment Exchanges during 2011, 2012 and 2013 are given in Statement (*See below*).

(c) The 12th Five Year Plan projects 5 crore new work opportunities to be generated in the non-farm sector and skill certification to equivalent numbers. National Skill Development Agency has been set up to coordinate action among Central Ministries in this context to make youth more employable including those from Maharashtra. It has also been decided to use at least 10% of Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub-Plan (SCA-SCP), Multisectoral Development Programme funds and 5% of Border