

**Number of youths provided employment**

†1148. SHRI LAL SINH VADODIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of unemployed youths proposed to be provided employment by Government during 2013-14 and 2014-15;
- (b) the number of youths provided employment each year; and
- (c) the number of youths from Gujarat who got employment each year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) to (c) Twelfth Five Year Plan has projected creation of 3.4 crore employment (for persons 15 years and above) and as per the results of last two surveys on employment and unemployment conducted during 2011-12 by National Sample Survey Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, estimated employment on usual status basis has increased from 46.5 crore in 2009-10 to 47.4 crore in 2011-12 at the all India level including Gujarat.

**Utilization of youth force**

†1149. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian youth force has emerged as an asset in today's global market;
- (b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;
- (c) whether youth force are being used more at international level than for the prosperity of the country;
- (d) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and
- (e) whether trained youths are being used in the country with indigenous resources?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) to (e) Indian youth being part of the global workforce helps integrate India with the global economy and consequently growth of the Indian economy.

In view of large number of youth entering the job market every year, it is essential to skill the youth workforce to become competitive and members of the global workforce.

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As per information from National Skill Development Agency (NSDA), to equip our youth to become members of the global workforce, an exercise has commenced to establish equivalence between the National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) and the European Qualification Framework (EQF) so that the persons who have been certified against the NSQF are able to seek skilled job opportunities in the countries that adopt the EQF.

For skilling to provide employment to the youths, a new Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has been established to coordinate the skill activities across Ministries. In order to improve the employability of youth, around 20 Ministries run skill development schemes across 70 sectors. According to the data compiled by National Skill Development Agency (NSDA), about 76.37 lakh persons were given skill development training in the year 2013-14 under these schemes.

**Funds to NGOs for eradication of child labour**

†1150. SHRI AMAR SHANKAR SABLE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether financial assistance is being provided to the Non- Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for eradication of child labour in the country including Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the State-wise details of the funds issued to such NGOs during the last three years and the current year;

(d) the mechanism available with Government to monitor such NGOs in order to ensure optimum utilization of such funds; and

(e) the mechanism available with Government to oversee that the funds meant for rehabilitation of child labourers are not being diverted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) and (b) The Ministry is implementing Grant-in-Aid (GIA) Scheme by giving financial assistance to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for rehabilitation of child labourers in the districts where National Child Labour Project (NCLP) Scheme is not running.

(c) The details of funds released under the GIA Scheme to Voluntary Organisation/ NGOs for the last three years and current year are given in the Statement (*See below*).

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