

These legislative initiatives are expected to not only facilitate effective enforcement but also enhance wage security, job security, social security and safety, health and working conditions for workers.

**Joka ESI hospital at Kolkata**

†2654. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether doctors have been appointed by Government on contractual basis in Joka ESI hospital, Kolkata;

(b) whether there is no provision of getting treatment in the hospital for those doctors themselves or their family members when they fall sick;

(c) if so, the reasons for the doctors constrained to go to hospitals other than the hospital where he/she is working for his/her own treatment; and

(d) whether Government would take such steps in this direction so as to provide treatment facilities to the doctors and their family members in the hospital where he/she is working, if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) As per terms of contract they are not entitled for treatment under ESI Scheme and also not covered under Medical Scheme as applicable to regular employees. However in case of work place emergency, treatment is not denied to them.

(d) No such proposal is under consideration.

**Number of persons employed through employment exchanges**

2655. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state the number of persons employed through employment exchanges during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise and the details of percentage of persons registered in different categories viz. matriculate, graduate, post-graduate and having degree or diploma in technical areas, respectively?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): As per the information received from the States, the number of jobseekers placed through employment exchanges in the country during 2013, 2014 and 2015 (till 30th Sept.) were 3.5 lakh, 3.3 lakh and 2.5 lakh respectively. The State-wise details are given in Statement (*See below*). The

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