

State/UT	Contributing Establishments
Karnataka	48997
Kerala	17296
Madhya Pradesh	20727
Maharashtra	94081
Meghalaya	702
Odisha	14030
Puducherry	1870
Punjab	18423
Rajasthan	21312
Tamil Nadu	62248
Telangana	25355
Tripura	746
Uttar Pradesh	37352
Uttarakhand	6399
West Bengal	37125
TOTAL	579120

Employment data

901. SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA:

SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) data, Government had claimed that it has created around 70 lakh employment since September, 2017 to March, 2018;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government is aware that EPFO had recently revised the data regarding enrolment and now it has drastically declined during the said period resulting in lowest employment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Since April,

2018 Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has been publishing the month-wise provisional net enrolment figures of its subscribers through its web portal *epfindia.gov.in*. The data is being released from September, 2017 onwards. EPFO has not published any employment data as such but the net new enrolment of PF subscribers from September, 2017 to March, 2018 has been 34,40,297 as per the data published by EPFO on 20th June, 2018.

(c) and (d) While publishing data EPFO has always given the disclaimer that the data is provisional as updation of subscribers' records is a continuous process. The data regarding the new entrants for the recent months gets rationalised when the employers file the relevant exit data returns during the subsequent months.

World bank report on 'Jobless Growth'

902. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the recent bi-annual World Bank Report 2018 titled 'Jobless Growth', India has the implausible unemployment situation in the world;

(b) if so, the details thereof and response of Government thereto;

(c) the details of rural and urban unemployment as on 30 June, 2018, State-wise; and

(d) the reasons for massive failure of Government in bringing down unemployment in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) to (d) World Bank Report 2018 titled 'Jobless Growth' is a study of South Asian Countries. As per the report, employment does respond to economic growth in the short term, implying that growth is not jobless. It also appears that countries in South Asia have created large numbers of jobs over the years. In addition to high growth, more and better jobs need to be created for every percentage point of growth. The report calls for better employment data, and for a focus on the economic policies that can boost job creation.

As per the result of available labour force survey on Employment- Unemployment conducted by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, the estimated unemployment rate for persons aged 15 years and above on usual status basis was