

Study on after effect of lockdown

196. SHRI K. SOMAPRASAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government or any agency has conducted any study on the after effect of the total lockdown imposed across the nation;

(b) whether Government has arrived at a conclusion on the depth and volume of the financial loss and damage and loss of jobs in organised and unorganised sectors during and after the lockdown; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR): (a) to (c) As per the Estimates of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the First Quarter of April-June (Q1) of 2020-21 released by the National Statistical Office on 31st August 2020, the real GDP in India contracted by 23.9 per cent during Q1 of 2020-21 (as against a 5.2 per cent growth in Q1 of 2019-20). On the demand side, private consumption spending fell by 26.7 per cent and Investment demand also declined by 47.1 per cent. On the supply side, the decline in Gross Value Added (GVA) was broad-based with fall of 50.3 per cent seen in construction followed by services like trade, hotels, transport and communication, manufacturing and mining. Agriculture emerged as the bright spot, growing at a healthy rate of 3.4 per cent.

Latest available data on the employment-unemployment situation as per annual Periodic Labour Force Survey 2018-19 conducted by National Sample Survey Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation covers the period from July 2018 to June 2019 and thereby information on the survey results beyond June 2019 is not yet available. However, Government has been bringing out employment related information on the formal sector based on the number of new subscribers of Employee Provident Fund (EPF) schemes. The details of net EPF subscribers from March 2020 to June 2020 are given in the table below:-

Table 1: Month-wise net EPF subscriber during March-2020 to June-2020

March 2020	April 2020	May 2020	June 2020
5,72,924	2,01,64	1,72,174	6,55,311

Source: Employees' Provident Fund Organisation, Ministry of Labour & Employment.

Note: In view of the national lockdown consequent to the COVID-19 pandemic, several establishments were temporary closed and which may have had implications on the reporting. The reported figures are thus likely to undergo significant revision in the next few months.

The Government of India is implementing several measures under the Atmanirbhar stimulus package for the organized and unorganized sector, which *inter-alia* include, EPF contribution support, financial assistance for building & construction workers, higher MGNREGA wage rates and budgetary support for the scheme and PM SVANidhi. Government of India also launched a massive rural public works scheme 'Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan' to empower and provide livelihood opportunities to returnee migrant workers and rural citizens. The implementation of the stimulus package is reviewed and monitored regularly.

Revenue shares to States

197. SHRI KUMAR KETKAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) how much of the State's revenue share according to the Union Budget 2020-21 has been released to the States during this financial year till now, State-wise;
- (b) the details of pending amount, State-wise;
- (c) how much of the promised budgetary allocation to the States in the Union Budget of 2019-20 has been released to the States; and
- (d) the shortfall thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR): (a) State-wise details of States share released upto August, 2020 is enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(b) Releases to States are made in 14 installments during a financial year and all the instalments due till date have been released. Hence, there is no pendency.

(c) During 2019-20, States share amounting to ₹ 6,56,046.07 crore has been released on the basis of Revised Estimates 2019-20.

(d) Does not arise.