GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1751 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2021

REVISING THE NATIONAL POLICY ON THE DISSEMINATION OF STATISTICAL DATA

1751. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is planning to revise the National Policy on the Dissemination of Statistical Data;
- (b) if so, whether Government has set a deadline for such a task and the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has taken a decision to conduct a comprehensive assessment of job losses due to pandemic, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps Government is taking to ensure timely dissemination of data pertaining to employment in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COORPORATE AFFAIRS [RAO INDERJIT SINGH]

- (a) No Sir.
- (b) In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.
- (c) Government through Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment, is conducting the All India Surveys namely; (i) All India Survey on Migrant Workers (ii) All India Survey on Domestic Workers and (iii) All India Quarterly Establishment based Employment Survey (AQEES). One component of the two surveys i.e., (i) All India Survey on Migrant Workers and (ii) All India Survey on Domestic Workers collects data on specific segments of Labour for Migrant workers and Domestic workers respectively. The Quarterly Employment Survey (QES) has been started w.e.f. April 1, 2021. A part of the Quarterly Employment Survey (1st Quarter) was designed to collect the information on the Covid-19 pandemic impact on the operational status and employment status of the establishments in the selected sectors during the first quarter [April-June, 2021]. The report of the first quarter (April to June, 2021) of the QES was released on 27th September, 2021.

- (d) Government through Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) releases report on Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS). Quarterly PLFS Bulletins with respect to Urban areas, are brought out covering estimates of labour force indicators, viz., Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR), Worker Population Ratio (WPR) & Unemployment Rate (UR) & distribution of workers by broad status in employment and industry of work. To reduce the time lag in release of Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) reports, Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation has;
 - (i) Adopted the use of telephonic canvassing for revisit data collection in wake of the COVID pandemic.
 - (ii) Developed an application to facilitate online collection of data with faster validation and processing. The application has been put to live testing.

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