

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
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TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH AUGUST, 2022**

UNEMPLOYMENT IN GOA

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

- (a) steps taken by Centre/State Governments to tackle the specific problem of unemployment in Goa where the unemployment rate is double the national average and rising steadily;**
- (b) present rate of unemployment in Goa as compared to national average, age group-wise;**
- (c) whether the Central/State Governments have a vision document or a phase wise plan to tackle unemployment in Goa; and**
- (d) skill and entrepreneurship development plans to tackle unemployment in Goa and statistical data of such plans, if they are already in force and impact achieved?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (d): The data on Employment and Unemployment is collected through Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MOSPI). As per the latest PLFS report available for year 2020-21, the estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) on usual status basis in Goa, age group-wise is as follows:

(in %)

Age Group	Goa	All India
15-29 years	25.8	12.9
15-59 years	11.1	4.6
15 years and above	10.5	4.2
All ages	10.5	4.2

Further, the Government of India has taken various steps for generating employment in the country including the State of Goa. The Government of India has announced Aatmanirbhar Bharat package to provide stimulus to business and to mitigate the adverse impact of Covid 19. Under this package, the Government is providing fiscal stimulus of more than Rupees Twenty Seven lakh crore. This package comprises of various long term schemes/ programmes/ policies for making the country self-reliant and to create employment opportunities.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) is being implemented by the Government for facilitating self-employment. Under PMMY, collateral free loans upto Rs. 10 lakh, are extended to micro/small business enterprises and to individuals to enable them to setup or expand their business activities. Upto 01.07.2022, 2,79,275 loans were sanctioned under the scheme in Goa.

Budget 2021-22 launched Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes, with an outlay of Rs. 1.97 lakh crore, for a period of 5 years starting from 2021-22. The PLI Schemes being implemented by the Government have potential for creating 60 lakh new jobs. All these initiatives are expected to collectively generate employment in the medium to long term through multiplier-effects.

PM GatiShakti is a transformative approach for economic growth and sustainable development. The approach is driven by seven engines, namely, Roads, Railways, Airports, Ports, Mass Transport, Waterways and Logistics Infrastructure. This approach is powered by Clean Energy and SabkaPrayas leading to huge job and entrepreneurial opportunities for all.

Government is implementing Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbharNidhi (PM SVANidhi Scheme) since June 01, 2020 to facilitate collateral free working capital loan to street vendors to restart their businesses, which were adversely impacted during the Covid-19 pandemic. As on July 20, 2022, 1,232 loans amounting to 1.74 Crore have been disbursed under the scheme in the State of Goa.

The Government of India is encouraging various projects involving substantial investment and public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. DeenDayalUpadhyayaGrameenKaushalyaYojana (DDU-GKY) and DeenDayalAntodayaYojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) etc. for employment generation. The estimated number of employment generated in Goa under PMEGP since 2020-21 to 30.06.2022 is 1296, persondays generated under MGNREGS in Goa since 2020-21 to 13.07.2022 is 2.2 lakh, and number of skill trained candidates placed under DAY-NULM in Goa since 2020-21 to 30.06.2022 is 1317.

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing PradhanMantriKaushalVikasYojana (PMKVY) for Skill based training of the youth across the country. As on 30.06.2022, in the State of Goa, 4,087 candidates have been trained under Short Term Training (STT) and 5,874 candidates have been trained under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

Besides these initiatives, various flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Start-up India, Stand-up India, Digital India, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Housing for All etc are also oriented towards generating employment opportunities.

Government of Goa has initiated various moves to resolve the unemployment problem in the State. Model Career Centre (MCC) under regional employment Exchange Panaji has been conducting various outreach activities online as well as offline such as programme on Career Guidance/Counseling, Seminars on Soft Skill Training, Sessions on Civil Service Competitive Exams (UPSC and GPSC), Job Fairs & Placement Drives in order to help the youths to increase & enhance their skills as per the market requirements so as to make them employable.

Directorate of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of Goa is in partnership with the following Associations for the Entrepreneurship Development of the trainees:

- 1. Forum for innovation Incubation Research & Entrepreneurship (FiiRE)**
- 2. Goa Institute of Management (GIM)**
- 3. National Institute of Entrepreneurship & Small Business Development (NIESBUD)**
- 4. Goa Livelihoods Forum (GLF)**
- 5. Business Network International (BNI)**
- 6. Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME).**

Besides above, Government of Goa has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with 47 Industry Partners over a period of last 2 years for setting up of Skill Development Centre, train the Trainers, Internship, Apprenticeship of trainees and Placement support from industry.
