GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

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EMPLOYMENT IN FORMAL AND NON-FORMAL SECTORS

2164. SHRI VIKRAMJIT SINGH SAHNEY:

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

- (a) the number of jobs created by Government in both formal and non-formal sectors during the last five years, sector-wise details thereof;
- (b) the latest source of data which supports Government's claim that it had created new employment;
- (c) whether Government has officially discontinued to publish any annual data related to employment, unemployment and market situation during the last five years; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The official data source on Employment and Unemployment is Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) which is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) since 2017-18. The survey period is July to June of next year.

Based on the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) reports, Economic Survey estimated the employment on usual status in formal and informal sector as under:

(in crores)

Years	Formal	Informal	Total
2017-18	4.70	42.43	47.13
2018-19	5.35	43.43	48.78
2019-20	5.89	47.64	53.53

Source: Economic Survey 2021-22

As per the latest available annual PLFS report 2020-21, the estimated Worker Population Ratio (WPR) on usual status for persons of age 15 years and above since 2017-18 are as follows:

Years	WPR (%)
2017-18	46.8
2018-19	47.3
2019-20	50.9
2020-21	52.6

Source: PLFS, MoSPI

Annual Employment and Unemployment survey which was conducted by the Ministry of Labour and Employment since 2009-10 was discontinued w.e.f. 2017 and was replaced by the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).