

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1699
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2022

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR RURAL POPULATION

1699 SHRI ANIL DESAI:
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR GUPTA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is aware of the factual situation regarding jobless people in our villages;
- (b) the jobs available in rural areas and whether these are sufficient to encourage them to stay there and not to rush to cities for the jobs; and
- (c) the details of new jobs or employment opportunities created for the rural population during last five years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a) to (c): From the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO) during July 2017- June 2018, July 2018- June 2019, July 2019- June 2020 July 2020- June 2021, estimated Unemployment Rate (UR) and Worker Population Ratio (WPR) according to usual status [(ps+ss) - principal status (ps) and subsidiary status (ss)] in rural areas of India is given at **Annexure-I**.

For creating employment opportunities and impart skills to rural people, this Ministry is implementing a number of schemes viz., Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (Mahatma Gandhi NREGS), Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs). While Mahatma Gandhi NREGS assures guaranteed employment to unskilled workers in the rural areas, DDU-GKY and RSETI schemes promote employability through either wage or self-employment.

Apart from this, under Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Gramin (PMAY-G), there is a provision to provide support of 90 person-days (95 person-days in Hill states, difficult areas and North Eastern States and Integrate Action Plan districts) unskilled wage employment at the current rates to a PMAY-G beneficiary for construction of his / her house in convergence with Mahatma Gandhi NREGA as per instructions issued from time to time. In addition to this, this Ministry is implementing the Start-up Village Entrepreneurship programme (SVEP), a sub scheme under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), with the objective of helping the rural poor, including artisans and weavers, to setup enterprises at the village level in non-agricultural sectors.

The details of job/employment opportunities created under these schemes/programmes during the last five years is at **Annexure-II**.

Annexure-I referred to in reply of part (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1699 for answer on 21/12/2022

Table (1): Worker Population Ratio (WPR) (in per cent) according to usual status (ps+ss) and Unemployment rate according to usual status (ps+ss) in rural areas of India during 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21		
Survey year	WPR (in percent) according to usual status (ps+ss)	UR (in percent) according to usual status (ps+ss)
(1)	(2)	(3)
PLFS, 2017-18	35.0	5.3
PLFS, 2018-19	35.8	5.0
PLFS, 2019-20	39.2	4.0
PLFS, 2020-21	41.3	3.3
<i>Source: Annual Report, PLFS, 2020-21</i>		

Annexure-II referred to in reply of part (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1699 for answer on 21/12/2022

- i. The details of households demanded employment and households offered employment under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS in the financial year 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 is given below:

The details of households demanded employment and households offered employment under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS in the financial year 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22 (in crore)		
Financial Year (FY)	Households demanded employment	Households offered employment
2017-18	5.73	5.72
2018-19	5.88	5.83
2019-20	6.17	6.15
2020-21	8.55	8.54
2021-22	8.06	8.02

(As per NREGASoft)

- ii. Number of candidates placed/ settled under DDU-GKY and RSETI schemes during last five years:

(a) DDU-GKY

FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
Placed	Placed	Placed	Placed	Placed
75787	137251	150214	49563	45612

(b) RSETI

FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
Settled	Settled	Settled	Settled	Settled
350097	296307	281645	185234	256429

- iii. The details of Man-days generated in convergence with Mahatma Gandhi NREGA under PMAY-G is given below:

Financial Year	Man-days Generated
2017-18	384467324
2018-19	183044043
2019-20	370920349
2020-21	255518196
2021-22	68994090

- iv. Year-wise enterprises supported and approximate employment generated under SVEP is as under:-

<i>Year</i>	<i>No of Enterprises supported with Finance (CEF)</i>	<i>Approximate Employment generated</i>
2017-18	21,070	43615
2018-19	29,701	61481
2019-20	47,565	98460
2020-21	57,209	118423
2021-22	41,623	86160
