GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2146

TO BE ANSWERED ON 02nd AUGUST, 2021

SUICIDE DUE TO UNEMPLOYMENT

2146. KUNWAR DANISH ALI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of people are committing suicide due to unemployment in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of suicide cases that came to the notice of the Government during the last five years, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/ being taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): The statistical data on accidental deaths and suicides are reported by States/Union Territories to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), under the Ministry of Home Affairs. NCRB compiles and disseminates information on suicides in its publication titled 'Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India' (ADSI). The State-wise number of suicide registered due to unemployment is at Annexure.

Employment generation is the priority of the Government. Government of India has taken a number of initiatives for promoting employment generation in the country.

Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) has been launched w.e.f. 1st October, 2020 to incentivize employers for creation of new employment along with social security benefits and restoration of employment. This scheme being implemented through EPFO seeks to reduce the financial burden of the employers and encourages them to hire more workers.

Earlier Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) was launched with effect from 01.04.2016 to incentivise employers for creation of new employment.

Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) is being implemented by the Government inter alia, 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.

Government is encouraging various projects involving substantial investment and through public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), Deendayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) and Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs and Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE), respectively.

Besides these initiatives, flagship programmes of the Government such as Make in India, Digital India, Swachh Bharat Mission, Smart City Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, Housing for All, Infrastructure development and Industrial corridors have the potential to generate productive employment opportunities.

Government of India has also introduced the Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme in the 13 key sectors for enhancing India's manufacturing capabilities, enhancing exports and generating more employment opportunities.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2146 due for reply on 02.08.2021

State/UT-wise details of suicide cases registered due to unemployment from 2016 to 2019

State/UT	Cases Registered			
	2016	2017	2018	2019
ANDHRA PRADESH	36	55	44	71
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	1	0	6	0
ASSAM	210	169	156	155
BIHAR	0	6	0	8
CHHATTISGARH	45	9	34	16
GOA	15	13	6	19
GUJARAT	295	263	318	219
HARYANA	50	36	154	13
HIMACHAL PRADESH	12	40	94	64
JAMMU & KASHMIR	8	11	39	40
JHARKHAND	44	108	154	232
KARNATAKA	224	375	464	553
KERALA	127	156	147	81
MADHYA PRADESH	100	49	44	57
MAHARASHTRA	403	379	394	452
MANIPUR	0	0	1	3
MEGHALAYA	4	1	4	7
MIZORAM	0	0	2	0
NAGALAND	5	0	1	1
ODISHA	88	21	34	17
PUNJAB	22	23	26	74
RAJASTHAN	42	53	55	117
SIKKIM	7	13	8	12
TAMIL NADU	259	357	251	251
TELANGANA	24	45	40	56
TRIPURA	34	0	0	0
UTTAR PRADESH	76	58	63	156
UTTARAKHAND	4	1	7	0
WEST BENGAL	109	95	75	40
A & N ISLANDS	1	1	0	1
CHANDIGARH	8	1	14	9
D & N HAVELI	3	0	0	0
DAMAN & DIU	1	3	3	0
DELHI (UT)	41	58	98	118
LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	0	0
PUDUCHERRY	0	5	5	9
Total	2298	2404	2741	2851

Source: Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India, National Crime Records Bureau.