

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

**RAJYA SABHA**

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 260  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.07.2019**

**DETAILS OF UNORGANISED SECTOR**

**\*260. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:**

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

- (a) whether India's unorganised sector is shrinking, if so, the details thereof; and**  
**(b) whether unorganised sector is draining India's economy and if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

**(a) to (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.**

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (b) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 260 FOR 17.07.2019 BY SHRI SANJAY SINGH REGARDING DETAILS OF UNORGANISED SECTOR**

**(a) & (b): There is no separate published data for unorganized sector as a whole. However, shrinking of unorganized sector is a positive indicator of development. Government has taken a number of steps towards expansion of the organized sector. These are as under:**

**Under the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) initiative undertaken by the Ministry of Labour & Employment there has been a significant improvement in the registration of beneficiaries and 1.2 crores number of employees benefitted in the last three year, which is an indication of shifting from informal sector to the formal sector for availing the Social Security Benefit. In order to provide social security benefits to the workers in the unorganized sector including workers in agriculture sector, the Government has enacted the Unorganized Workers' Social Security Act, 2008. This Act stipulates formulation of suitable welfare schemes for unorganized workers on matters relating to: (i) life and disability cover, (ii) health and maternity benefits, (iii) old age protection and (iv) any other benefit as may be determined by the Central Government. Life and disability cover is provided through Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti BimaYojana (PMJJBY) and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) to the unorganized workers depending upon their eligibility. Government of India and State Governments pay the annual premium in equal share without any burden on the beneficiary. The health and maternity benefits are addressed through Ayushman Bharat scheme. For old age protection in the form of minimum assured monthly pension, Government of India has recently launched Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan (PM-SYM). Under the scheme, minimum assured monthly pension of Rs. 3000/- will be provided to the unorganized workers after attaining the age of 60 years. Prescribed monthly contribution is payable by the beneficiary and equal matching contribution is paid by the Central Government.**

