

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2668  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2019**

**UNEMPLOYMENT OF YOUTHS**

**2668. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:**

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

- (a) the reasons for the high unemployment rate amongst young adults in the country;**
- (b) the reasons for unemployment rate increasing with an increase in the level of education;  
and**
- (c) the steps being taken to ensure that young graduates have more employment?**

**ANSWER**

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

**(a) to (c): As per the results of annual Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation during 2017-18, the estimated unemployment rate for the persons aged 15 years and above on usual status (principal status + subsidiary status) basis to the extent available in the country was 6.0%.**

**Employment generation coupled with improving employability is the priority of the Government. Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast-tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on various schemes.**

**Under Skill India Mission, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing a flagship scheme known as the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 2016-20 with an objective to provide skilling under Short Term Training (STT) and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) across the country.**

**Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) has been initiated by 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 has implemented the National Career Service (NCS) Project which comprises a digital portal that provides a nation-wide online platform for the job seekers and employers for job-matching in a dynamic, efficient and responsive manner and has a repository of career content for job seekers.**

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