

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
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WORKFORCE IN AGRICULTURAL/MANUFACTURING SECTOR

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- (a) whether maximum work force of the country is employed in the agriculture and the manufacturing sectors;
- (b) if so, the percentage-wise details of the labourers employed in both the said sectors;
- (c) whether the number of labourers employed in the manufacturing sector is also affected by the huge variation in the production cost in the manufacturing sector in the country;
- (d) if so, the details of the said effect during each six months period during the last three years; and
- (e) the percentage of labourers employed in the manufacturing sector during the last three years?

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

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH)

(a & b) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Office. Last such survey was conducted during 2009-10. As per the recent quinquennial survey on employment and unemployment, 53.2 per cent and 11.0 per cent of the total workforce is employed in agriculture and manufacturing sectors respectively in the country.

(c & d) As per Annual Survey of Industries conducted by Central Statistics Office, workers employed in organized manufacturing sector has grown at an average annual growth rate of 0.99 per cent during 1999-2000 to 2004-05 and 6.8 percent during 2004-05 to 2009-10, whereas total input cost has grown at the rate of 17.4 per cent during 1999-2000 to 2004-05 and 13.9 per cent during 2004-05 to 2009-10.

(e) As per the three most recent rounds of Survey on Employment and Unemployment conducted by National Sample Survey Office, percentage of labourers employed in manufacturing sector during 1999-2000, 2004-05 and 2009-10 was 12.1 percent, 11.7 per cent and 11.0 per cent respectively.