

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
LABOUR  
LOK SABHA**

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LABOURERS IN SICK INDUSTRIAL UNITS  
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the trend of opening industrial units has been decreasing in the country due to increasing number of industrial units being declared sick;
- (b) if so, whether there has also been a continuous decline in the number of labourers working in these sick units;
- (c) the number of labourers working in the sick units during the years 2000-2001 and 2002-2003; and
- (d) the reasons for decline in the number of labourers in the industries?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR)

- (a): No Sir. Based on the information in the Economic Survey 2002-2003, there has been an increase in the industrial investment intentions as indicated by the Industrial Entrepreneur Memorandums filed in 2002.
- (b) & (c): According to the information provided by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR), the workers involved in the sick units registered with them during 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 (January-June) were 259564, 216216, 136412 and 54774 respectively.
- (d): Due to globalisation and economic liberalization some employment opportunities in traditional industries may have declined but at the same time new employment opportunities have been created in a number of new areas such as information technology, tourism, financial services etc.