

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposed to generate 10 million additional employment opportunities per year in the country during the Tenth Five Year Plan by achieving the targeted annual development rate;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the achievement made in this regard, so far;
- (c) whether the target of generating additional employment opportunities could not be achieved due to the failure in achieving the targetted annual development rate in the first two years of the Tenth Plan;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the percentage of employment opportunities out of the said target likely to be created during the year 2002-2003 and 2003-2004?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) Yes, Sir. 50 million employment opportunities at the rate of 10 million per year are being targetted during Tenth Five Year Plan. Out of these, 30 million will have to come through normal growth process and remaining 20 million are proposed to be generated through special employment generation programmes.

Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation. Last such survey was carried out during 1999-2000. As per this survey, estimated employment in the country on current daily status basis was of the order of 336.75 million.

e) Employment opportunities are targetted at the rate of 10 million per year during the Tenth Plan Period.