

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF SKILLED LABOUR

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

- (a) Whether there is any shortage of skilled labourers in various sectors like commercial pilots, trained manpower to operate new state of art equipment and people skilled in private banking;
- (b) if so, the details of sectors in which these labourers are in shortage thereof;
- (c) the number of persons being trained every year through various schemes being run by the Government to create skilled labourers in the country and the extent to which this number is short than the skilled labourers actually required; and
- (d) the steps taken / proposed to be taken by the Government to provide employment to the unemployed youth in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO)

- (a) & (b) M/o Labour & Employment is not aware of any shortage of skilled persons. However, in the context of globalisation and economic liberalisation skill level of the workers require upgradation.
- (c) Various institutions in public and private sectors are engaged in imparting skill training to the new entrants to the labour force and retraining to the workers already engaged in work. Their exact number is not maintained. However, the annual training capacity through the major training providers in government is around 30 lakh.
- (d) Government is attempting through 10th Five Year Plan (2002-2007) creation of 5 crore additional job opportunities, one crore in each year of the 10th plan period. This will help unemployed youth in getting employment.