

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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GAP BETWEEN ORGANISED AND UNORGANISED LABOURERS

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

- (a) whether International Labour Organization (ILO) has expressed its concern over the widening gap between the labourers of organized and unorganized sectors in India;
- (b) if so, the measures adopted by the Government to narrowing this gap;
- (c) whether the ILO has also emphasized the need to improve the working conditions and facilities of labourers; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (c): No, Sir. No specific study has been carried out by the ILO.

(b) & (d): To bridge the gap between the labourers of organized and unorganized sectors and improve the working and living conditions of the unorganized sector workers is a matter of priority concern of the Government of India. For the benefit of the unorganized sector workers, the government has constituted welfare funds to provide social security/welfare measures, implements various poverty alleviation employment generation schemes provides health insurance cover for workers living below the poverty line. The Government also constituted a National Commission for the Enterprises in the unorganized sector to examine the problems facing enterprises in the unorganized sector.