

## Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY)

### Why in News?

The Ministry of labour and employment has presented some data in the Lok Sabha about the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY).

### What is the data?

- Over one crore new employees had joined the workforce as part of the PMRPY between August 2016 and March 2019.
- About 57% of them came from **5 States** — Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Gujarat and Haryana.
- Of the total new employees who joined the workforce during this period,
  - a. 40 % - Joined 'expert services'
  - b. 2 % - Joined in financial establishments
  - c. 7 % (each) - Commercial trading, textiles and building construction
  - d. 5 % (each) - Garment-making and engineering sectors.

### Beneficiaries under PMRPY

(August 1, 2016 to March 3, 2019)

State	Number of employees
Maharashtra	21,06,405
Tamil Nadu	14,17,808
Karnataka	11,51,215
Gujarat	10,28,838
Haryana	9,70,736
<b>India</b>	<b>1,18,05,003</b>

### Industry-wise PMRPY statistics

Industry	Employee benefited
Expert services	47,06,945
Trading - Commercial	8,09,949
Textiles	7,79,321
Building and construction	7,57,435
Garment making	6,18,104

Source: Ministry of Labour and Employment data presented in the Lok Sabha on July 15, 2019

## What is PMRPY about?

- It is being implemented by the **Ministry of Labour and Employment** and is operational since August, 2016.
- It was launched for incentivising employers for generation of new employment.
- The **Government** of India will **pay the entire employer's contribution** (12 per cent or admissible contribution) towards the Employees' Provident Fund (**EPF**) and the Employees' Pension Scheme (**EPS**) for all eligible new employees for all sectors for **3 years**.
- All new eligible employees will be covered under the PMRPY Scheme **till 2019-20**.

## Who are eligible?

- All **establishments registered with EPFO** i.e. Employees' Provident Fund Organisation can apply for availing benefits under the scheme subject to the certain conditions.
- Employees who are earning **wages less than Rs 15,000/-** per month are eligible.

## What are the benefits of the scheme?

- The employer is incentivised for increasing the employment base of workers in the establishment.
- A large number of workers will find jobs in such establishments.
- A direct benefit is that these workers will have access to social security benefits of the organized sector.

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