

# 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)		Industry-wise PMRPY statistics	
State (August 1, 20	Number of	Industry	Employee benefited
	21,06,405	Expert services	47,06,945
Tamil Nadu	14,17,808	Trading – Commercial	8,09,949
Karnataka	11,51,215	Textiles	7,79,321
Gujarat	10,28,838	Building and construction  Garment making	7,57,435 6,18,104
Haryana	9,70,736		
India	1,18,05,003		

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.

**Source: Business Line** 

