(a) whether it is a fact that as per the Census 2001, there are nearly 1.5 crore building and other construction workers in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that as per the Census 2001, there are nearly 50 lakh street vendors in the country;

(c) whether the Ministry has any rough estimate of the building and other construction workers and street vendors in the country as of 2010;

(d) how many building and other construction workers and street vendors have been registered to get the benefit under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana, Statewise; and

(e) what benefit the registered workers will get under RSBY?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

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(a) & (b): As per Census, 2001, there are about 1.41 crore Building and other construction workers and about 42.19 lakh street vendors in the country.

(c): The data of Census, 2011 is not yet available.

(d): 99,152 building and other construction workers have been registered for benefits under RSBY. The state-wise number is annexed. The Government of Haryana has registered 3167 street vendors for benefits under RSBY.

(e): The benefits under RSBY are as under :

(i) Smart card based cashless health insurance (hospitalization) cover of Rs. 30000/- per annum on family floater basis.
(ii) Coverage of all pre-existing diseases.

(iii) Hospitalisation expenses, taking care of most of the illnesses including maternity benefit.

(iv) Transportation cost of Rs. 100/- per visit with an overall limit of Rs. 1,000/- per annum within the limit of Rs. 30000/-.

Statement referred to in reply to part (d) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2446 for answer on 24.08.2011 regarding construction workers and street vendor under RSBY.

Sl. No. Name of the States/UTs. No. of building and other construction workers registered.

1. Bihar 1,745
2. Chhattisgarh 11,511
3. Delhi 37,586
4. Gujarat 31,167
5. Haryana 17,143 Total 99,152