SOCIAL SECURITY FOR GIG AND PLATFORM WORKERS

Committee Formed to Suggest Framework for Providing Social Security and Welfare Benefits to Gig and Platform Workers

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Gig workers and platform workers have been defined for the first time in the Code on Social Security 2020, which has been enacted by the Parliament. Social Security & Welfare related provisions for the gig and platform workers have been mentioned in the Code.

The Code provides for framing of suitable social security measures for gig workers and platform workers on matters relating to life and disability cover, accident insurance, health and maternity benefits, old age protection, etc. The Code also provides for setting up a Social Security Fund to finance the welfare scheme.

A Committee comprising representatives from stakeholders has been constituted to suggest inter alia framework for providing Social Security and welfare benefits to gig and platform workers.

An advisory has also been issued by the Ministry of Labour and Employment to aggregators to register themselves and platform workers engaged with them on the e-Shram portal.

This information was given by Union Minister of State for Labour & Employment, Sushri Shobha Karandlaje in a written reply in the Lok Sabha today.

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