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83 lakh people awaiting jobs in Tamil Nadu

CHENNAI: About 83.33 lakh people have been awaiting jobs after registering in the employment offices in the State.

"The number of candidates waiting in the live register of employment offices is 83,33,864 as on 31 March, 2016", according to the Police Note of the Labour and Employment Department tabled in the Assembly on Tuesday.

During the last five years, as many as 72,00,685 candidates have registered, of them 60,51,582 are students who registered with their Class X and Class XII qualifications, while 15,98,460 candidates, including 12,05,780 students, registered their qualifications with the employment offices during the year 2015-16, the Policy Note further stated. It also explains the employment opportunities offered to the registered candidates. A total of 77,696 candidates were placed in government services through the employment offices while 1,42,114 got placement in private sector during the last five years. The figures for the year 2015-16 is 9,176 for government services and 61,752 in private sector companies.

Persons With Disabilities

The statistics provided in the Policy Note showed that a total of 1,15,967 Persons with Disabilities (PwD) have been waiting for jobs in the live registers of employment offices. Of them, 89,945 are orthopaedically handicapped, 13,642 are visually challenged and 12,380 are hearing impaired persons. As many as 3,255 such candidates were placed during the last five years.

12 New Trades in ITIs

Meanwhile, the Minister for Labour and Employment Dr Nilofer Kafeel announced in the Assembly that 12 new trades would be introduced in government-run Industrial Training Institutes throughout the State. An amount of `10.67 crore would be allocated for the initiative.