

Over 1.7 Cr register on e-Shram portal in one month

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of one month of launch of e-Shram portal marks with the registration of more than 1.71 crores workers from the unorganized sector and in unorganized employment. As of 25th September, 1,71,59,743 workers have registered at the portal.

The e-Shram portal (<https://eshram.gov.in/>)

was inaugurated on 26th August 2021 by the Union Labour and Employment Minister, Bhupender Yadav, in presence of Minister of State (Labour and Employment) Rameswar Teli. The portal is the first-ever national database of unorganised workers including migrant workers, construction workers, gig and platform workers. It facilitates extending benefits of social sector schemes to the workers in the unorganized sector.

The figure above depicts the weekly progress of the registration exercise. Importantly, the drive has strengthened with the mobilization of workers achieving a greater mile each week. Compared to the 2nd week with over 19.52 lakhs registration, registrations in the third and the fourth week gained exponentially. In week 4, over 69.53 lakh workers registered at the e-Shram portal.

To bolster this movement, Union Minister of Labour & Employment and Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Shri Bhupender Yadav, yesterday, distributed e-Shram cards to unorganized workers in Mumbai, Maharashtra. Shri Yadav also presented approval letters for ESI COVID-19 relief Scheme to dependents of workers who lost their lives to COVID-19 and alongside approval letters for Atal Beemit Vyakti Kalyan Yojna Relief scheme, to workers in the unorganized sector.

Speaking on the e-Shram portal, the Minister expressed the desire that every worker in unorganized sector should get registered on the portal. "Registration is necessary, so that we know how many workers are there in each trade. More than 400 trades have already been represented on the portal. We want everyone to register so that every worker including those who perform very small work is able to avail the benefits of government schemes. Moreover, those who register on the portal now are eligible to get insurance up to Rs. 2 lakh."

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