

Government Actively Exploring Various Avenues to Ensure Gig and Platform Workers are Covered under Social Security - Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya

Union Minister Chairs Review Meeting on Social Security for Gig and Platform Workers in India

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Government of India is committed to extending social security benefits to gig and platform workers, Union Minister for Labour & Employment, Dr Mansukh Mandaviya, announced today while chairing a review meeting in New Delhi.

In a significant move aimed at safeguarding the welfare of gig and platform workers, Dr Mandaviya highlighted that the government is actively exploring various avenues to ensure these workers are covered under social security schemes. "Our government is fully committed to the well-being of gig and platform workers, who form a crucial part of our workforce," the Minister stated.

We are working on a comprehensive strategy to provide them with the social security they deserve, he added.



Registration on eShram Portal

To facilitate the implementation of social security measures, Dr Mandaviya revealed that the registration of workers will be undertaken on the eShram Portal.

He emphasized that aggregators—companies that employ gig and platform workers—will be asked to take the lead in registering their workers on this portal. "An online window will be made available for aggregators to ensure a smooth and efficient registration process," Dr Mandaviya announced.

First-Time Recognition Under the Code on Social Security

Union Minister also underscored the importance of the Code on Social Security, which, for the first time, defines gig and platform workers in India. "This is a significant step towards acknowledging and formalising the roles of gig and platform workers within our economy," he noted.

Commitment to Inclusive Growth

Dr. Mandaviya reiterated the government's commitment to inclusive growth and the empowerment of all sections of the workforce, including gig and platform workers. "We are determined to ensure that every worker in India, irrespective of their employment status, is granted the right to social security," he affirmed.

Ministry of Labour & Employment is working closely with all stakeholders to develop a robust framework that aligns with the evolving nature of work and provides adequate protection to gig and platform workers.

Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Employment and senior officials of the ministry attended the meeting.

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