

'5 lakh youths got jobs, 3 lakh contract service, in 5 past yrs'

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Listing out the steps taken by the government over the past five years, including schemes brought in post Covid-19 lockdown phase when lakhs of migrant workers had returned to the state, the spokesperson said the government had started Mission Rozgar to connect the youths with employment and self-employment opportunities.

In the past five and half years, over 5.15 lakh youths were given government jobs while 3 lakh youths were given contract services in gov-

ernment departments, the spokesperson said.

In addition to this, the government has claimed that 2 crore people were linked with employment through MSMEs while another about 2.5 crore were provided employment through MGNREGA, self-help groups, and another 25 lakh gained employment under the one district-one product scheme.

"To take forward this work, the state government has decided to provide employment to at least one member of each family in the state, for which it will be issuing family cards. The trial of the

application portal through which family IDs will be issued will be starting soon. When the data is available, departments will be able to draft suitable schemes for linking people with job opportunities," the spokesperson said.

Under the scheme, about 15 crore ration card holders with valid Aadhaar cards can be issued Family ID cards immediately. For the time being, the scheme will be voluntary. Based on the data collected, departments like skill development mission and MSME will provide training to the youth to connect them with job opportunities.