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India's G20 Presidency

4th Employment Working Group (EWG) meeting

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"We are at the thresh-hold of some of the greatest changes in the employment sector. And, we need to prepare responsive and effective strategies to address these rapid changes."

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi

The 4th Employment Working Group (EWG) Meeting under India's G20 Presidency was held in the city of Indore, Madhya Pradesh. The EWG meeting focused on finalizing the Ministerial Declaration and outcome documents. The efforts of the previous three meetings, that is, <u>First Employment Working Group Meeting</u> (Jodhpur, Rajasthan– February 2-4, 2023), 2nd Employment Working Group Meeting (Guwahati, Assam - April 3-5, 2023) and 3rd Employment Working Group Meeting (Geneva, Switzerland– May 31 - June 2, 2023) will be consolidated in this meeting.

Day 1: July 19, 2023

The first day of deliberations at the 4th Employment Working Group Meeting began with delegates carrying forward outcomes from the previous meetings. They also initiated discussions on finalising the outcome document under the Working Group.

In the opening session of the meeting, the Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment and the G20 EWG Chair Smt. Arti Ahuja welcomed the delegates and recapitulated the discussions and



recapitulated the discussions and achievements made during the last three EWG



Meetings. The delegates from Co-Chair countries, namely Indonesia and Brazil, also made statements in the opening session and expressed their optimism about completing the work through fruitful discussions.

India made a presentation on e-Shram, the world's largest database of unorganised workers and the National Career Service (NCS)

Portal. The presentation on e-Shram and NCS portals will also be shared with the international delegates.

Day 2: July 20, 2023

On the concluding day of the 4^{th} Employment Working Group Meeting , the G20 India delegates focused on finalising the Draft Ministerial Declaration and Outcome Documents.

The Secretary, Labour & Employment and G20 EWG Chair Smt. Ahuja steered the discussions on Draft Outcome Documents of the G20 EWG. The discussions were spread over three sessions and concluded with the finalisation of the following:



- 1. G20 Policy Priorities on Strategies to Address Skill Gaps Globally,
- 2. G20 Policy Priorities on Adequate and Sustainable Social Protection and Decent Work for Gig and Platform Workers, and
- 3. G20 Policy Options for Sustainable Financing of Social Security

The finalised document was submitted for the consdieration and adoption by the Labour & Employment Ministers' (LEM) meeting that was scheduled on July 21, 2023, in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.



Later in the day, the Union Minister for Labour and Employment and Environment. Forest and Climate Bhupender Yadav Change Shri welcomed the G20 Labour Employment Ministers to Indore for the G20 Labour and Employment Ministers' Meeting. Addressing the two-day Meet, he congratulated the G20 Employment Working Group (EWG) for effectively collaborating

and working towards finalising the outcome documents and expressed the hope that tomorrow we will be able to cement their efforts.

Discovering Historic Wonder's of India

1. Post deliberations the G20 India delegates visited Madhya Pradesh's iconic Mandu Fort. Delegates were in awe of the grand structure and were further mesmerised by an immersive light and sound show.





2. A vibrant culture programme representing the best of India's heart was also organised.

3. Yoga stretch breaks in-between the sessions were also organised for the delegates.

References:

The fourth G-20 Employment Working Group and the Labour and Ministers' Meeting begins in Indore, Madhya Pradesh (19th to 21 July) with focus on finalising the Ministerial Declaration and Outcome Documents

<u>India makes presentation on e-Shram, world's largest database of unorganised workers and National Career Service Portal during 4th G20 EWG meeting</u>

Shri Bhupender Yadav says Indian Presidency has strived to strengthen the legacy of G20 Employment working group

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Watch out as the royal city of #Indore hosts delegates & Ministers for the 4th #EWG Meet & Labour & Employment Ministers' Meet! From fostering discussions to enhance employment globally to developing a sustainable, inclusive & job-rich growth pathway, here is a quick recap of the #EWG Meetings and its priorities under #G20India, ahead of the Labour and Employment Ministers' Meeting in #Indore. The 4th #EWG Meeting & #G20LEMM concludes! **Video Links:** Employment Working Group under #G20India's Presidency NR/HP/RK/KG