In November 2022 (Q4), the working age population (16 years and above) was around 8 million of whom 3,571,236 were employed; 1,147,601 were unemployed and 3,324,253 were out of labour force.

The sum of employed and unemployed population results to population in labour force were 4,718,837 persons.

The proportion of working age population who were in the labour force increased to 58.6 percent in November 2022 compared to 56.6 percent in August 2022 (Q3) and compared to 54.3 percent in May 2022 (Q2).

This proportion has decreased as compared to 61 percent observed in November 2021 (Q4) (One year back).

The proportion of the working age population outside the labour force decreased to 41.3 percent in November 2022 as compared to 43.4 percent in August 2022 (Q3), 45.7 percent in May 2022 (Q2) and it has increased compared to 38.9 percent in November 2021 (Q4).

The share of subsistence agriculture in population outside labour force was 35.3 percent in November 2022(Q4).

It has decreased by 4.3 percentage points as compared to 39.6 percent observed in August 2022 (Q3) and increased by 1.8 percentage points as compared to 33.5 percent observed in November 2021 (Q4).

The sum of employed population (3,571,236 persons) and subsistence agricultural without employment (1,730,996) gives the estimate number of workforce1 in November 2022 (Q4) equivalent to 5,302,232 persons.

Therefore, in November 2022(Q4), the proportion of working age population engaged in employment or subsistence agriculture was 65.9 percent as compared to 68.6 percent perceived in August 2022 (Q4) and to 66.5 percent registered in November 2021(Q4).

In November 2022 (Q4), the share of agricultural workers in total workforce (employed in agriculture + involved in subsistence agriculture) decreased by around 2.7 percentage points compared August 2022 (Q3).

The employment-to-population ratio decreased to 44.4 percent in November 2022 (Q4) as compared to 46.4 percent in August 2022(Q3) and 46.5 percent registered one year back in November 2021 (Q4) (46.5 percent).

Labour force participation has increased to 58.7 percent in November 2022 (Q4) as compared to 56.6 percent observed in August 2022 (Q3).

Reference document (PDF & Excel)

- LFS_NOV_2022_Final Report.pdf (pdf, 5.89 MB)
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