In August 2022 (Q3), the working age population (16 years and above) was around 8 million of whom 3,711,254 were employed; 819,936 were unemployed and 3,469,591 were out of labour force.

The sum of employed and unemployed population results to population in labour force were 4,531,190 persons.

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

The proportion of the working age population outside the labour force decreased to 43.4 percent in August 2022 (Q3) as compared to 45.7 percent in May 2022 (Q2) and 49.1 percent in August 2021(Q3) (One year back).

The share of subsistence agriculture in population outside labour force was 39.6 percent in August 2022(Q3).

It has increased by 6.6 percentage points as compared to 33 percent observed in May 2022(Q2). The sum of employed population (3,711,254 persons) and subsistence agricultural without employment (1,647,804) gives the estimate number of workforce1 in May 2022 (Q2) equivalent to 5,488,064 persons.

Therefore, in August 2022 (Q3), the proportion of working age population engaged in employment or subsistence agriculture was 68.6 percent as compared to 62.5 percent observed in May 2022 (Q2), and to 64.6 percent registered in August 2021 (Q3).

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