



Annual Survey of Unincorporated Enterprises (2022-23)

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Why in News?

Recently, the **Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI)** has released the **Annual Survey of Unincorporated Enterprises for 2022-23**.

What is the Scenario of Informal Workers According to the Survey?

- As per the survey, **Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal and Maharashtra** had the highest share of **informal sector** enterprises in both **rural and urban** areas in **2022-23**.
- The share of informal sector enterprises decreased in the post-pandemic year 2022-23 in states such as **Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal**.
- **The state of Uttar Pradesh topped among major states with an increase in the number of unincorporated non-agricultural enterprises.**

- **Share of Informal Sector Enterprises (in 2022-23 as compared to 2021-22):**
 - **Uttar Pradesh:** Increased by **0.84%** (from 12.99% to 13.83% of total informal sector enterprises(TISE)).
 - **West Bengal:** Decreased by **0.27%** (from 12.31% to 12.04% of TISE).
 - **Maharashtra:** Increased by **0.56%** (from 8.81% to 9.37% of TISE).
 - **Delhi:** Increased by **0.79%** (from 0.64% to 1.43% of TISE).

- **Informal sector workers (in 2022-23 as compared to 2021-22):**
 - **Uttar Pradesh:** Increased by **0.27 crore** from 1.30 crore).
 - **West Bengal:** Increased by **0.03 crore** from 1.02 crore)
 - **Maharashtra:** Increased by **16.19 lakh**
- **Total Workers in Unincorporated Non-Agricultural Sector:**
 - **During 2022-23:** Increased by **1.17 crore** workers (from 9.79 to 10.96 crore).
 - **Urban Workers:** Increased by **0.69 crore** workers (from 5.03 to 5.72 crore).
 - **Rural Workers:** Increased by **0.48 crore** workers (from 4.76 to 5.24 crore).

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STATES WITH HIGHEST SHARE OF INFORMAL SECTOR ENTERPRISES

	2022-23	2021-22
Uttar Pradesh	13.83%	12.99%
West Bengal	12.04%	12.31%
Maharashtra	9.37%	8.81%
Tamil Nadu	6.50%	6.80%
Bihar	5.69%	5.25%
Gujarat	5.37%	6.17%
Karnataka	5.34%	5.72%
MP	5.03%	5.35%
AP	4.93%	4.87%
Odisha	4.53%	4.08%



**Total includes data for 13 other regions; Source: Annual Survey of Unincorporated Enterprises 2022-23 & 2021-22*

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Drishti Mains Question

Q. Examine the necessity of transitioning the informal sector into the formal economy and outline strategies to facilitate this structural transformation more effectively.

UPSC Civil Services Examination, Previous Year Question (PYQ)

Mains:

Q. How globalisation has led to the reduction of employment in the formal sector of the Indian economy? Is increased informalization detrimental to the development of the country? **(2016)**

