

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The changes in the quarterly (Jan-Mar) figures of LFS 2009-10 vis-à-vis the same period of 2010-11, are given as below in the parenthesis in the order of 2009-10 and 2010-11.

- i) **Participation rate** decrease (32.6%, 32.0%). Similar configuration obtains in rural (34%, 33.7%), & urban (30%, 28.8%) areas and in the case of males (49.2%, 48.6%) & females (15.1%, 14.8%).
- ii) **Activity status** indicates increase in informal sector (74.2%, 75.6%) and decrease in formal (25.8%, 24.4%). However, females shares make opposite configuration, decrease in the former (74.3%, 73%) and increase in the latter (25.7%, 27%).
- iii) **Employment Status** finds all categories on decline except *own account workers*(34.3%, 35.6%), more in the case of females than males.
- iv) **Employment by major industry divisions** indicates *agriculture & allied activities* (43.3%, 44.2%), *construction* (6.9%, 7.6%) and *manufacturing* (13.5%, 13.6%) trending up. The remaining groups seem to be on decline.
- v) **Mean Hours Worked** during reference week decrease (47.2, 46.9). Similar in the case for males (50.8, 50.5) and in urban areas (52.4, 51.1) while opposite obtains in the case of females (34.3, 35.2) and in rural areas (44.9, 45.1).
- vi) **Unemployment rate** increases (5.7%, 6.1%) during the comparative periods. As by sex and area, the change is accrued by males (4.6%, 5.1%) and, in urban areas (7.8%, 9.1%).