SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The changes in the quarterly (April-June) figures of LFS 2009-10 vis-àvis 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** seem decreasing (32.4%, 32.2%). Participation rate in rural (33.6%, 33.4%) & urban (29.9%, 29.8%) areas and for males (49.2%, 48.7%) follow suit while trend up in the case of females (14.5%, 15.0%).
- Activity status indicates increase in the informal sector (73.2%, 73.8%) while decrease in the formal (26.8%, 26.2%). However, females shares indicate a sort of opposite changes decrease in the former (74.3%, 69.6%) while increase in the latter(25.7%, 30.4%).
- iii) **Employment Status** shows that *employees* lose steam (36.9%, 36%), *own account worker* level same (35%) while *contributing family workers* scale up (27.2%, 27.5%).
- iv) **Employment by major industry divisions** shows increase in agriculture & *allied activities* (42.4%, 45.4%) while all remaining activities seem to be on decline.
- v) **Mean Hours Worked** lose steam (48.2, 47.2) during the period. The comparative males (51.5, 50.8) & females shares (35.4, 34.3) make similar configuration.
- vi) Unemployment rate increases (5.6%, 5.7%). Male unemployment rate follows suit (4.4%, 5.0%) while that of females decrease (9.9%, 8.3%). Increase is indicated in urban (7.1%, 7.7%) while a sort of equivalence is observed in the rural areas (5.0%, 4.9%).