CTUOs. The earlier verification were conducted with date of reckoning as December, 1980, 31 December, 1989 and 31.12.2002 and results were notified in 1985, 1989 and 11.1.2008 respectively.

(c) The process of fresh general verification of membership of CTUOs has been started. So far two meetings of the Standing Committee on general verification comprising representatives of various CTUOs under the chairmanship of Chief Labour Commissioner (Central) have been held and the date of reckoning for fresh general verification has been unanimously decided as 31.12.2011.

Employment opportunities under NSDC

- 436. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has formulated any plan to enhance the employment opportunities involving both the public and private sectors, for the unemployed youth in the country, particularly in Maharashtra State;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the programme formulated by Government through National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and India's corporate sector?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) and (b) The 11th Five Year Plan aims at making employment generation an integral part of the growth process and devise strategies to accelerate not only growth of employment but also of wages of the poorly paid. As per the 11th Five Year Plan Document as approved by National Development Council, 58 million new jobs opportunities will be created during the 11th Plan period in the country including Maharashtra.

(c) The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) is a one of its kind, Public Private Partnership in India. It aims to promote skill development by catalyzing creation of large, quality, for-profit vocational institutions. It provides viability gap funding to build scalable, for-profit vocational training initiatives. Its mandate is also to enable support systems such as quality assurance, information systems and setting up of Sectors Skills Councils, etc. The NSDC was set up as part of a national skill development mission to fulfill the growing need in India for skilled manpower across sectors and narrow the existing gap between the demand and supply of skills. 36 proposals for

skilling 56.54 million persons over a period of 10 years at a total cost of Rs. 1013.08 crore have been approved by the Corporation out of which a sum of Rs. 115.48 crore has been disbursed upto 28th July 2011.

Decline of employment rate during Eleventh Plan

 $\dagger 437.$ SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that during Eleventh Five Year Plan employment rate has declined to 39.2 per cent from 42 per cent;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that during the said period we have logged far behind the target of providing employment to five crores people; and
- (c) if the replies to the above questions are in affirmative the action being taken by the Government to deal with the above problems?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Office. Last such survey was conducted during 2009-10. As per the results of the latest two surveys, employment rate (Worker Population Ratio) has declined to 39.2 percent in 2009-10 from 42 percent in 2004-05.

- (b) As against the target of creation of 58 million additional job opportunities during the Eleventh Plan, about 20 million job opportunities on current daily status were created during 2004-05 to 2009-10.
- (c) Government of India has been making continuous efforts through normal growth process and by implementing various employment generation schemes such as, Swarana Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP); Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana(SGSY) and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) besides entrepreneurial development programmes run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises.

Scarcity of employment opportunities in towns adjoining Delhi

 \dagger 438. SHRI NARENDER KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.