- (c) The case is under investigation by the CBI and further action can be taken only after the CBI investigation is completed.
 - (d) Outcome can be known only after completion of investigation.

Non-technical educated unemployed in NE

2905. SHRIMATI NAZNIN FARUQUE: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that most of the North East people are graduate in non-technical stream;
- (b) whether Government has made any survey about the non-technical educated employed persons available there;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, category-wise i.e. matric, non-matric, IA, BA, MA and total unskilled workers;
- (d) whether in view of modern technology, they may not be useful for any job; and
- (e) if so, what is the strategy of Government to address the issue of their employment?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) to (c) No specific survey has been conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) about the non technical educated unemployed persons available in the country. However, based on Employment Exchange statistics, the faculty-wise number of educated job seekers (10th standard and above) in the country including North East states as on 31-12-2009 is given below:

Educational Level	Number of job seekers (in lakh)
10th class passed	143.0
10+2 passed	85.2
Graduates and post Graduates (Arts)	25.7

(d) and (e) In the Eleventh Five Year Plan, a Comprehensive Skill Development Programme with wide coverage throughout the country has been initiated by the Government. The coordinated Action Plan for Skill Development has a target of 500 million skilled persons by the year 2022, and the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has been mandated to train about 150 million persons by 2022 under National Skill Development Policy which is now in place. Ministry of Labour and Employment has taken up several initiatives for skill upgradation of youth to

enhance their employability leading to better access to employment and livelihood opportunities. Some of the major programmes for skill development are as follows:

- (i) Craftsmen Training Scheme
- (ii) **Apprenticeship Training Scheme**
- Skill Development Initiative through Modular Employable Skills (iii)

Unemployed youths in the country

2906. SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- whether Government has any data as to how many youths are unemployed in the country whose age is upto 38 years; and
 - if so, the State-wise details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE): (a) and (b) As per latest information available, number of youth job seekers in the age group of 15-39, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, registered with employment exchanges in the country was 3.53 crore as on 31st December 2009. State-wise details given in Statement.

Statement

State-wise number of youth job seekers in the age group of 15-39 on the Live Register of Employment Exchanges in the country as on 31st December 2009

(In thousand)

Sl.No.	State/ UTs	Number of youth Job seekers
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	1882.7
2	Arunachal Pradesh	35.9
3	Assam	1617.5
4	Bihar	753.9
5	Chhattisgarh	1302.2
6	Delhi	436.7
7	Goa	102.1
8	Gujarat	875.8