Group as 21.9 percent. The Expert Group under the Chairmanship of Dr. C. Rangarajan has recommended the use of MMRP based consumption expenditure of NSSO to derive poverty estimates. The poverty ratio for India based on Rangarajan Expert Group is 29.5 percent during 2011-12.

The poverty estimates given by World Bank, Tendulkar Expert Group and Rangarajan Expert Group vary due to differences in methodologies used.

## Achievement of SDGs

2474 SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) what are the measures taken or proposed to be taken by Government to ensure and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030:
- (b) whether NITI Aayog has started any definite mechanism to guide, integrate and promote SDGs in Government programmes, and
  - (c) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (RAO INDERJIT SINGH): (a) In September, 2015, the United Nations adopted the document titled Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopting a new set of 17 Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for the next 15 years, *i.e.* up to 2030. The SDGs include Poverty, Employment, Education and Literacy, Health, Gender Equality and Women Empowerment, Child Development, Water and Sanitation, Modern Energy and Decent Work, Resilent Infrastructure, Sustainable Cities, Sustainable Consumption and Production, Combat Climate Change, Conserve and Sustainable use the Oceans, Seas and Marine Resources, Protect Ecosystems, Reverse Land Degradation and halt Biodiversity loss, Promote Peaceful and Inclusive Societies, Provide Access to Justice for all.

Government of India is implementing a number of Central Sector (CS)/Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) throughout India for the benefit of the people at the grass root level. The targets and achievements under these schemes also address most of the SDGs adopted by the UN. As the SDGs have been intimated by the UN to the participating countries including India very recently. The work on mapping these SDGs with various Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes has been initiated.

(b) and (c) NITI Aayog and the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI) are engaged in the identification of indicators for the national targets adopted under the SDGs.