(c) and (d) The Government is implementing various schemes and programmes for promotion and development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country. These include the schemes/programmes such as Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), A Scheme for Promoting Innovation, Rural Industry and Entrepreneurship (ASPIRE), Credit Guarantee Scheme, Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme (CLCSS), National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme (NMCP), Micro and Small Enterprises-Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Marketing Development Assistance (MDA), Skill Development Programmes, International Cooperation Scheme etc. These schemes/programmes have been revamped from time to time to improve the service delivery for the benefit of the micro, small and medium enterprises.

Moreover, the Government has launched a number of new schemes to cater to the need of the MSMEs. These include financial support to MSMEs for obtaining Zero Defect Zero Effect (ZED) Certification; Digital MSME scheme for the promotion of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in the MSME sector; National SC/ST Hub to provide professional support to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe entrepreneurs to effectively participate in the public procurement process and the Scheme for supporting MSMEs in the NER and Sikkim by way of creation/upgradation of mini technology centres, development of new and existing industrial estates, capacity building of officers and other promotional activities.

Amount spent by MSMEs for imparting skill development training

3786. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) how much amount has been spent by the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) for imparting skill development training to unemployed youths, particularly in Maharashtra State; and
 - (b) the details of achievements thereof during last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) Sir, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) are independent private entities. Information about how much amount has been spent by MSMEs for imparting skill development training to unemployed youths is not available with Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.