

adverse balance of trade will get much bridged.

Shri H. N. Mukerjee: In view of some developments having already taken place in regard to the Asian Common Market idea—our Government has also taken part in that idea—may I know if in the talks with Professor Hallstein anything was found out so that in actual fact there would not be that kind of division of labour, which the Minister has just now referred to, which would lead to our countries continuing to be the economic hinterland?

Shri Manubhai Shah: I would like to take the last part of the question of the hon. Member first. The international division of labour is not our or others recent or new proposal with the European Community. Even Mr. Khrushchev has been kind enough to propose this to the East European countries when the Secretary-General visited Moscow. Earlier, when I had also occasions to talk with him in the past, we were all the time pleading that the trade policies should be irrespective of ideologies and the under-developed countries should be allowed a share in the growing economies of the industrialised countries. That is point No. 1. Regarding the second question, I do not think any Asian Common Market scheme as such has been formally either proposed or sponsored. What happened in Manila was decision on regional economic planning and cooperation to see that the Asian countries trade between themselves, between each other in an expanding manner rather than all the time exclusively looking to industrialized country's markets. That is the proposal that was worked out. There has been neither a forum nor a gamut for any Asian Common Market.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO
QUESTIONS

Automobiles for Defence

*952 **Shri Harish Chandra Mathur:**
Will the Minister of Economic and De-

fence **Coordination** be pleased to state:

(a) whether defence requirements for Automobiles have been finalised and purchase orders placed with local manufacturers; and

(b) whether any manufacture and supply programme for further has been drawn up?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Economic and Defence Coordination (Shri Jaganatha Rao): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. The present manufacturing capacity of the progressive manufacturers of automobiles in the country is being utilised to the maximum extent to meet the current and future Defence requirements.

Heavy Electricals Ltd., Bhopal

*958 { **Shri P. R. Chakraverti:**
Shri Maheswar Naik:
Shri Mohammad Elias:

Will the Minister of **Steel and Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

(a) whether an incentive bonus scheme has been devised for introduction in the Heavy Electricals Project at Bhopal; and

(b) whether the Union Government have suggested to the State Governments to examine the possibility of introducing uniform labour laws in the Centrally sponsored projects, including the Heavy Electricals?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Steel and Heavy Industries (Shri P. C. Sethi): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Manufacture of Tractors

*959. { **Shri Subodh Hansda:**
Shri Samnani:

Will the Minister of **Steel and Heavy Industries** be pleased to state:

(a) whether any licence has been issued to the Good Earth group of