the undertaking established at Mogal Barai near Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh under the name of Sahu Chemicals. This factory commenced trial runs in August, 1959, for production of soda ash and is expected to reach full production in early 1960.

## Naga Hostiles

Shri D. C. Sharma: Shri Warior: \*647. ] Shri N. M. Deb: ] Shri Kodiyan: ] Shrimati Mafida Ahmed: Shri Hem Barua:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to lay a statement showing:

(a) the number of Naga rebels who have been captured during the period from the 1st August to the 30th November, 1959;

(b) the description and make of arms captured from them:

(c) whether there were any marks of the manufacturing concern or country on the arms recovered; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of External Affairs (Shri J. N. Hazarika): (a) 315 Naga hostiles were arrested during the period 1st August to 19th November, 1959.

(b) These include one Sten gun, rifles and Shot guns of different calibre.

(c) and (d). We have no definite information about the country of manufacture in regard to the captured weapons. Some of them, however, are of local manufacture. Many were retrieved by the Nagas from the armdumps that were left behind in the NHTA and Manipur during the last War.

## Clinical Thermometers

- Shri Pangarkar: Shrimati Parvathi Krishnan: \*648. ∠ Shri Nagi Roddy: Shri Warlor:
- - - Shri Ram Krishan Gupta:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 439 on the 14th August, 1959 and state:

(a) whether the scheme for the manufacture of clinical thermometers in collaboration with a Japanese firm has since been finalised:

(b) if so, the total estimated expenditure: and

(c) what are the terms of collaboration?

The Minister of Industry (Shri The Manubhai Shah): (a) to (c). scheme of colaboration of National Instruments Limited with the Japanese firm is expected to be approved shortlv.

## Setting up of Factories

\*649. Shri Harish Chandra Mathur: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to enable the engineers and technicians to set up and own their factories; and

(b) the nature of the scheme and number of such units set up?

The Minister of Industry (Shri Manubhai Shah): (a) and (b). Assistance from Government for starting Small Scale Industries are available to engineers and technicians. Government give preference to engineers and technicians to set up their own units.

## Federation of Small Scale Industries

\*650. Shri Khimji: Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision to establish a Federation of Small Scale Industries: