(b) if so, the steps Government propose to implement it?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND REHABILITATION (SHRI RAGHUNATHA REDDY): (a) and (b). A report in the matter has been called from the Government of Tripura.

Acquisition of Land for Defence Cantonment near Gauhati

1418. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 5313 on the 21st December, 1972 regarding acquisition of land for Defence cantonment near Gauhati and state:

- (a) how many acres of land was acquired, from the owners and what was the total compensation paid to them; and
- (b) whether the acquisition was compulsory or made with their consent?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) Details of land acquired near Gauhati (of which the land acquired in village Amechang vide reply to the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 5313 answered on 21st December 1972, forms only a part) are as lander:

- (1) 2215.193 acres of private land acquired at a cost of Rs. 88,51,422.53, excluding additional compensation awarded by the Court.
- (2) 855.69 acres of State Government land, transferred at a cost of Rs. 22,59,474.69.
- (b) The private lands were acquired under the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894.

Work done by Army at Salt Lake area, Calcutta

1419. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BOSU: SHRI R. P. DAS:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be bleased to state:

- (a) whether Indian army personnel were engaged to construct and repair roads and bridges in connection with the 74th Session of the Indian National Congress, held in the Salt Lake area, Calcutta:
- (b) if so, under what rules or regulations army personnel were engaged to work for the conference of a political party; and
- (c) the total expenditure incurred on this account?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM): (a) The Salt Lake Authorities were assisted at their request in the construction of 4 bridge across the Kristopur Canal opposite Salt Lake Town in Calcutta between 7th December, 1972 to 12th January, 1973.

- (b) The assistance was provided in pursuance of the policy to provide, wherever feasible or necessary, aid to Civil Authorities.
- (c) The total expenditure incurred on this account is under compilation; it will be recovered from the Salt Lake authorities.

Production of 'Girnar' Scooters

- 1420. DR. H. P. SHARMA. Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether production of 'Girnar' scooters has already commenced and if so, the salient features of the project and the foreign component of the scooter;
- (b) the manner in which its price and performance compare with that of the 'Vespa' and Lambretta'; and

(c) the installed annual production capacity and by what time it will reach full capacity production?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):
(a) Yes, Sir. The salient features of the Project are that it has been developed without any foreign collaboration and it seeks to maximise utilisation of ancillary capacity. The import

content in the scooter is 2.1 per cent of its ex-factory price.

(b) The ex-factory retail price of Girnar scooter is Rs. 2720.27 per scooter as against the ex-factory retail prices of Rs. 2327 and Rs. 2449 per scooter of Bajaj (Vespa) and Lambretta Scooters respectively.

The performance of this Scooter can be compared with that of Vespa (Bajaj) and Lambretta as under:

Specification								Vespa (Bajaj)	Lambretta Girnar	
r. Maximum Pow	ver ·	•	•	•	•	•		at	6 5 BHP at . 5300 rpm	6·5 BHP at 1. 6500 rpm
2. Engine Capacity (displacement)								145·45 cc	148 cc.	145·4 cc.
3. Wheel base		•		•			•			1210 mm
4. Gear Box	•			•		•		3 speed	4 speed	4 speed
5. Tyre size	٠	٠		•	٠	٠		3.2×8	3.5×10.3	3.2×10

(c) The initial production target of 6000 scooters per year will be achieved by the end of 1974. The production will be gradually raised to the licensed capacity of 24,000 scooters per year in three years from the date of achieving the initial target.

Agreements between H.M.T. and Foreign Countries/Firms for Manufacture of Tools

1421. SHRI T. S. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUS-TRY be pleased to state:

(a) the names of countries or foreign companies with whom the Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd., entered into three technical collaboration agreements for the manufacture of sliding Headstock Automatic Lathes. Heavy Duty Engine Lathes, Ram Turret/Unit Assembled Bed tpye Milling Machine; and

(b) whether the production of these items has started; and if not, the reasons for the delay?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRY (SHRI SIDDHESHWAR PRASAD):
(a) The Company has concluded Technical Collaboration Agreements with the following firms for the manufacture of the products shown against each:

Bed type Milling Machines

Sliding Headstock Automatics.

Heavy Duty Engine lathes.

M/s. Fritz Werner, Werkzeugmaschinen Gmgh, Berlin Marienfelde, West Germany.

⁽ii) M/s. S. A. Jos Petermann, 2740, Moutier, Switzerland.

⁽iii) M/s. American Tool Works Co., Cincinnati (U.S.A.)