"VIJAYANTA" TANKS

3093. SHRI S. K. TAPURIAH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the production of "Vijayanta" tanks is not coming up according to schedule; and
- (b) if so, the impediments and the steps taken to overcome them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) The production of Tanks in the Heavy Vehicles Factory has been maintained according to schedule.

(b) Does not arise.

TULIHAL AIRPORT

3094. SHRI M. MEGHACHANDRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether compensation has been paid to the families whose lands were acquired for use in the expansion of Tulihal Aerodrome in Manipur and what is the total amount payable to the said families; and
 - (b) if not, the reason for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH): (a) and (b). Two awards for Rs. 1.93.408.12 and Rs. 3,34,221.12 have been declared by the Land Acquisition Collector on 5th July 1967 and 1st January 1968 respectively. I is the function of the Collector to determine who are entitled to the compensation and to disburse the same by drawing the awarded amount from the local treasury. No disbursement so far appears to have been made by the local revenue authorities have been asking for the requisite funds in cash. The correct procedure for withdrawal of the funds from the treasury has however been explained to the Collector who has been expedited to follow the same and disburse the amount.

BUDGET OUTLAY FOR A.I.R., IMPHAL

3095. SHRI M. MEGHACHANDRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the budget outlay for All India Radio, Imphal, is further curtailed in the current year; and
- (b) if so, the budget amount for 1966-67 and 1967-68 and the actual amount spent year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The budget provision and the actual expenditure in respect of All India Radio, Imphal, for 1966-67 and 1967-68, are as follows:

Year Sanctioned Revised Actual amount
Budget grant spent.
Estimates

Rs. Rs. Rs. 1966-67 4,16,100 4,66,800 4,88,166 1967-68 4,69,000 5,67,800 3,88,781

upto January, 1968.

The above figures are excluding "Pay and Allowances" for gazetted officers which is provided for under a lump sum provision in IRLA system of payments in respect of various units of All India Radio.

RECRUITMENT TO ARMY FROM POONCH

3096. SHRI JYOTIRMOY BASU: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Poonch District in Kashmir Valley is considered to be an area suitable for recruitment of personnel for defence services;
- (b) the figures of recruitment made in that area during the five years preceding the Independence; and
- (c) the figures of recruitment during the period 1962—67?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Str.