THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA): (a) and (b). The production of Vijayanta tank is increasing steadily and it is expected that the requirements of the armour re-equipment programme with Vijayanta tanks during the period 1969-74 will be met fully from indigenous production.

(c) and (d) No. Sir.

Manufacture of T. V. in Public Sector

*1690. SHRI B. K. DAS CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any plan to make TV sets in the country in the public sector under the Fourth Five Year Plan; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI L. N. MISHRA) : (a) and (b). Capacity for the manufacture of 30,000 TV Sets per annum has already been licensed to two firms in the organised sector (10,000 sets per annum each) and to two consortia of small scale firms (5,000 sets per annum each). This capacity is considered adequate to meet the requirements of the TV transmission station at Delhi. As and when more TV stations are set up, further capacity would be licensed.

There is no plan as such, to make TV sets in the public sector. However, if any public sector undertaking applies for a license for the manufacture of TV receivers, their application along with others would be considered on merits.

Tripartite Agreement between India U.A.R. and Yugoslavia

*1691. SHRI NARENDRA SINGH MAHIDA ; SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO ;

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the recent tripartite trade agreement between India, U. A. R. and Yugoslavia has not worked satisfactorily and that the exports of nontradition items from India to these two countries have fallen in the recent months': (b) if so, the actual exports of these itemes during the period from April to September, 1968 and how they compare with the figures for the corresponding period of last year; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to meet the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir. On the contrary, there has been an appreciable increase in the exports to the U. A. R. and Yugoslavia of non-traditional items covered by the Tripartite Agreement during the period April-December, 1968, as compared with the corresponding period of 1967.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

American Peace Corps

*1692. SHRI D.C. SHARMA : SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN I

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a part from Government agencies like American Peace Corps, a number of volunteers from foreign countries are engaged by the various Government and non-Government organisations and institutions in Delhi;

(b) if so, their number;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of the foreign volunteers are working without the formal permission of the Delhi Administration and/or of the Central Government; and

(d) if so, why and the action which Government propose to take in this direction?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Government are not aware of individual volunteers working in Delhi.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

राजकीय व्यापार निगम सम्बन्धी पुनरीक्षण समिति

*1693. भी रघुवीर सिंह झास्त्री : क्या वैवैशिक व्यापार तथा पूर्ति मंत्री यह बताने की कपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या राजकोय व्यापार निगम सम्बन्धी पुनरीक्षण समिति का अन्तिम प्रतिवेदन प्राप्त हो गया है :

(स) यदि हां, तो उसमें ख्या मुख्य सिफा-रिहों हैं ; और

(ग) राज्य व्यापार निगम के पुनर्गठन के सम्बन्ध में सरकार ने क्या निर्णय किया है ?

वैदेशिक व्यापार तथा पूर्ति मंत्री (श्री ब० रा० भगत): (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) बोर्ड के विस्तार तथा ग्रन्य संगठना-त्मक मामलों के लिए अन्तरिम प्रतिवेदन में की गई सिफारिशों को सरकार ने स्वीकार कर लिया है और उनमें से अधिकांश को निगम ने क्रियान्वित कर दिया है। समिति का अन्तिम प्रतिवेदन प्राप्त होने पर आगे उपयुक्त कार्यवाही को जायेगी।

Meeting of Trade and Development Board at Geneva

*1694. SHRI R. BARUA : SHRI N. R. LASKAR : SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU :

Will the Minister of FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that an Inter-Governmental Committee to promote trade expension and economic integration among the developing countries has been set up by the Trade and Development Board of the executive organisation of the UNCTAD at its meeting held in Geneva from the 21st January to 7th February, 1969;

(b) if so, the other subjects discussed in the meeting; and

(c) the decision taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE AND SUPPLY (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : (a) Yes, Sir. The meeting decided to all, as soon as possible, an Inter-Governmental group attended by all interested countries with a view to examining the outstanding questions in the field of trade expansion, economic co-operation and regional integration among developing countries and to consider and recommend the ways and means for facilitating the implementation of the relevant resolution on the subject adopted by UNCTAD-II

(b) and (c). A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library.* See No. LT-1145/69]

Happenings in front of Statement House, Calcutta in January 1969

*1695. SHRI BENI SHANKER SHARMA : Will the Minister of EXTER-NAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Pakistan have sent any note regarding the happenings in the last week of January last before the Stateman House in Calcutta;

(b) if so, the text thereof; and

(c) the reply which Government have given to the Government of Pakistan ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). The copies of the Notes exchanged with the Pakistan High Commission in New Delhi are placed on the Table of the House. [*Placed in Library. See* No. LT-1146/69]

Separation of National Sample Survey from Indian Statistical Institute

* 1696. SHRI DEVEN SEN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state ;