

**H. M. T. PLANT IN LUXEMBURG**

752. SHRI M. K. MOHTA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have finalised proposal to set up H. M. T. plant at Luxemburg ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) the extent to which the setting up of a plant in Luxemburg is likely to expand its export market ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, INTERNAL TRADE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI FAKHRUDDIN ALI AHMED) : (a) to (c) Government have not finalised any proposal to set up an Assembly Plant of Hindustan Machine Tools Limited in Luxemburg. Hindustan Machine Tools Limited are, however, exploring the possibilities of setting up an assembly plant in Europe to meet the specific requirements of customers abroad with regard to delivery dates and divers specifications of machine tools and accessories. Luxemburg is one of the possible locations for an assembly plant which Hindustan Machine Tools has in mind in this connection. The extent to which the setting up of the proposed assembly plant is likely to expand the export market of Hindustan Machine Tools Ltd. can be ascertained only after the proposal to set up an assembly plant has been finalised in all its details.

**PENALTY RECOVERED FROM TICKETLESS TRAVELLERS**

753. SHRI SWAISINGH SISODIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to the answer to Uns tarred Question No. 58 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st July, 1969 and state the amount of money recovered from the ticketless travellers on the Indian Railways during 1968-69 as penalty and otherwise ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : Amount recovered from ticketless passengers detected during 1968-69 was :

	Rs.
(i) Fare . . . . .	2,58,54,237
(ii) Excess charge . . . . .	82,51,772
{iii) Fine realized by courts . . . . .	15,07,715

**GUNA MAKSI RAIL LINK**

754. SHRI SWAISINGH SISODIA : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the progress so far made in constructing the Guna-Maksi railway line in Madhya Pradesh ;

(b) the length of railway lines laid so far ;

(c) whether the work on this line is going on as scheduled ; if not, the reasons therefor ;

(d) the time when the entire work is likely to be completed ; and

(e) the amount of money that has been spent on it so far ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) The over-all physical progress so far made on this line is 63.44%.

(b) 4975 KMs. of track has been laid out of a total length of 192.22 KMs.

(c) and (d) The question of fixing a revised target date for the completion of this line, taking into account the rate of traffic growth in the area, and subject to availability of adequate funds, is under consideration.

(e) Rs. 5.40 crores out of a total estimated cost of Rs. 6.60 crores.

**CASUAL LABOUR IN SOUTH EASTERN AND EASTERN RAILWAYS**

755. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of casual labourers in the South Eastern and Eastern Railways ;

(b) whether Government propose to upgrade them as regular workers ; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (DR. RAM SUBHAG SINGH) : (a) Position as on 31-3-68 :

South Eastern Railway . . . . .	91,799
Eastern Railway . . . . .	43,418